Ethics after Hours

Governments passing Law for Robots
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How should we handle artificial intelligence? Is there such a thing as electronic personhood? This news clip reports on a recent proposal from the European Parliament to introduce regulation to govern the use and creation of robots and artificial intelligence.

Video link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VSxlZy028-I

Duration: 7 min. 36 sec.

Discussion questions:

- Should robotic engineers be obliged to follow a code of conduct for ethical design, and what should that include?
- Should there be limits to how 'human' a robot can be?
- Should there be restrictions on what robots can be used for?
  - For example, should robots be used in health care?
- Should high performing artificially intelligent robots have rights and responsibilities?
  - For example, can a high performing robot be blamed or held responsible if it turns against and injures a human being?