When

January 7th, 2022 4.45-6.45 pm (London time) and January 8th, 2022 10.30 am-12.00 noon (London time)

Online event

Zoom meeting Link accessible to registered participants The **IIS-2022-1** meeting aims to discuss two questions:

1. Friday 7th January, 2022, 4.45pm-6.45pm: *Ilyas Khan and Anna Pearson, Cambridge Quantum Computing,* argue that Artificial Intelligence enhanced with Quantum Computing will be able to process Natural Languages and perform other tasks even better than humans can do. So, "capabilities" may no longer be firm basis to found the dignity of humankind and the human person. Which principle should we invoke instead?

2. Saturday 8th, 2022, 10.30am-12.00 noon: According to *Robin Dunbar, Prof of the University of Oxford,* the centrepiece of the Neolithic is "the invention" of "mechanisms" that "allowed people to live together without killing each other". Can the prohibition of murder in Genesis 9:3-6 be considered one of the "mechanisms" Dunbar refers to?



Artificial Intelligence, Humanity, and the Image of God

Can we justify the dignity of humanity without invoking the Image of God?



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Registration:

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PROGRAM

Friday 7th January

4.45 pm (London time) Introduction.

4.50 pm (London time) Humanlike Artificial Intelligence. *Marcin Paluch, ETH Zürich.*

5.10 pm (London time) Will Quantum Computers become more capable than humans? Iyas Khan, CEO CQC. Anna Pearson, CQC.

Discussion.

5.45 pm (London time) Are we more than mere "biological computers"? Prof André Rubbia, ETH Zürich 6.05 pm (London time) Human dignity: Is God needed? Daan van Schalkwijk, Amsterdam University College.

Discussion.

Saturday 8th January

10.30 am (London time)

Introduction.

The Centrepiece of the Neolithic. Prof Robin IM Dunbar, University of Oxford.

11.15 am (London time) Genesis 9:3,5-6 in the light of Robin Dunbar's theory. *Antoine Suarez, IIS, Zürich*

11.30 am (London time) Discussion.