“Roboethics and new challenges to ethics, medicine and public health”

Robotic technologies have entered various fields of medicine presenting new challenges not only to clinical practice but also to ethics and public health.

In this lecture I would like to explore together with the audience the acceptance of different applications of robots in health care, such as: surgery, elderly care, social crediting, end-of-life care, truth telling, care for children with autism.

In an interactive atmosphere we will discuss our fears towards robots and the necessity of adopting ethical standards for robotic technologies. While comparing different applications of robots, I will share some ethical considerations through the principles of respect for autonomy, beneficence, non-maleficence and justice. Eventually, I will argue that even though we went so far in the robotization of medicine, we still value human care more than the robotic care.