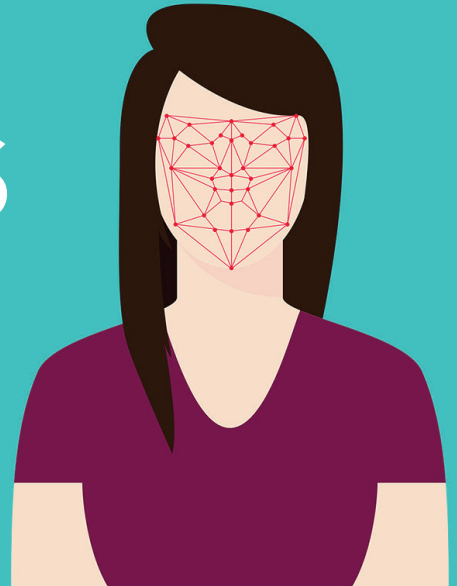


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# Innovations Talk



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## Why Face Surveillance Should Be Banned

Friday, Oct. 11

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

COOR, Room 4403

Facial recognition technology is the most dangerous surveillance apparatus ever invented. Despite posing substantial threats to civil liberties, privacy, and democratic accountability, it is woefully under regulated. Drawing from central concepts in *Re-Engineering Humanity* (which I co-authored with Brett Frischmann), my longstanding collaborative research with Woodrow Hartzog on obscurity, and the link between collective autonomy and consentability that Nancy Kim articulates in her new book, *Consentability: Consent and Its Limits*, I will defend the argument that face surveillance should be banned. Although the talk will focus on the debate surrounding facial recognition technology, I will make broader points about governance—specifically, why traditional regulatory ideas and mechanisms need to be revisited in order to resist the drumbeat of technological determinism as artificial intelligence advances.



Evan Selinger is a professor of philosophy at Rochester Institute of Technology. His most recent book, co-authored with Brett Frischmann, is *Re-Engineering Humanity*. His most recent anthology, co-edited with Jules Polonetsky and Omer Tene, is *The Cambridge Handbook of Consumer Privacy*. Cambridge University Press published both texts in 2018. Committed to public philosophy, Evan has written for many popular newspapers, magazines and blogs, including *The New York Times*, *The Guardian*, *The Atlantic*, *Slate*, *The Nation*, *Wired* and *The Wall Street Journal*.