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Eva Weber-Guskar is a professor of ethics and philosophy of emotions at the Ruhr University Bochum. Prior to this, she held guest professorships in Berlin, Vienna, Zurich and Erlangen and spent one year as a visiting scholar at New York University. Currently, she is working on ethical questions in dealing with AI, especially Emotional AI, and on temporal aspects in theories of the good life. She is a PI in the interdisciplinary project *INTERACT! New forms of social interaction with intelligent systems* at the RUB and member of the *Ethics Community* of the *Digital Society Initiative* at the University of Zurich. Also, she is associated editor of the *International Journal of Social Robotics*. Her second book is on human dignity (*Würde als Haltung*, Mentis 2016) and her first book (PhD) is on understanding emotions (*Die Klarheit der Gefühle*, De Gruyter 2009). Furthermore, she is a co-founder of PhilPublica, an initiative to foster academic philosophy in the public domain.

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