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Personal profile

Jan Peter Bergen is an Assistant Professor in Philosophy at the University of Twente's philosophy department. His focus is on education, while also looking into the role of technology in the cultivation of moral subjectivity and virtues. Until February of 2022, he combines this position with his responsibilities as a Lecturer in Ethics and Technology at Delft University of Technology.

Before this, he was a post-doctoral researcher in philosophy of technology at the University of Twente. Working on Prof. Peter-Paul Verbeek's VICI project on Theorizing Technological Mediation, he focused on the role of technology in conscious self-development and how to design such technologies in a more responsible manner.

Jan completed his PhD in ethics of technology at Delft University of Technology between March 2012 and December 2017. His PhD research revolved around questions of responsibility and the reversibility of risky technologies, specifically nuclear energy technologies. As part of his PhD, Jan spent a semester as a visiting fellow at Harvard University's Science, Technology & Society Program.

Jan has a interdisciplinary educational background. He holds a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Integrated Product Development from the University College of Antwerp. He also holds an MSc in Industrial Ecology from Leiden University.

Research outputs

Designing in Times of Uncertainty: What Virtue Ethics Can Bring to Engineering Ethics in the Twenty-First Century

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Introductie in ethiek en onderzoeksethiek voor bouwkunde

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To-Do Is to Be: Foucault, Levinas, and Technologically Mediated Subjectivation

Bergen, J. P. & Verbeek, P. P., 1 Jun 2021, In: *Philosophy & technology*. 34, p. 325-348 24 p.

Love(rs) in the making: Moral subjectivity in the face of sexbots

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Beoordelingskader Alternatieve Vormen van Lijkbezorging

Bergen, J. P. & van den Hoven, J., 1 Jan 2018, 103 p.

Reflections on the Reversibility of Nuclear Energy Technologies

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Responsible Innovation in light of Levinas: rethinking the relation between responsibility and innovation

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Reversible Experiments: Putting Geological Disposal to the Test

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Reversibility and Nuclear Energy Production Technologies: A Framework and Three Cases

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On engineers engaging ethics through dis-location and reconnection

Bergen, J. P., 16 Jun 2014, In: *Journal of responsible innovation*. 1, 2, p. 242-244 3 p.

Ecodesign integration in education: the utility of an existing multidisciplinary design methodology

Bergen, J. P. & Verhulst, E., 2009, *Proceedings of the 11th International Conference on Engineering and Product Design Education, E&PDE 2009*. Clarke, A., Ion, W., McMahon, C. & Hogarth, P. (eds.). p. 396-401 6 p.

Activities

International summer course: Technology & Society 2019

Andreas Weber (Organiser) & Jan Peter Bergen (Organiser)

12 Aug 2019 → 19 Aug 2019

Love(rs) in the Making? Intimacy with technology and ethical (inter)subjectivity

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

2 Jul 2019

Mortality (Journal)

Jan Peter Bergen (Reviewer)

7 Jun 2019 → 15 Jul 2019

Reclaiming Ethics: A Levinasian Human(ism) for Mediation Theory

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

21 May 2019

Reclaiming Ethics: A Levinasian Human(ism) for Mediation Theory

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

25 Apr 2019

Interview about Post-Mortemism at Spui25

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

22 Jan 2019

The Responsible Self: A Levinasian human(ism) for mediation theory

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

9 Nov 2018

Zelf-in-de-Maak: over de rol van technologie in de bewuste vorming van onszelf

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

18 Sept 2018

Design for Empowerment and the Value of Underdetermination

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker) & Jelle van Dijk (Contributor)

13 Jul 2018

International Conference on Human-Technology Relations

Jan Peter Bergen (Organiser), Peter-Paul Verbeek (Organiser), Olga Kudina (Organiser), Sebastiaan Oege Mathijs de Boer (Organiser), Jonne Corneille Henri Roland Hoek (Organiser), Nicola Liberati (Organiser) & Margoth Gonzalez Woge (Organiser)

11 Jul 2018 → 13 Jul 2018

To-do is to Be: alterity, ethics and subjectivation in technological mediation

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

6 Jul 2018

Nieuwe Keuzes voor na de Dood: Reflectie op innovaties binnen de lijkbezorging

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

12 Jun 2018

Radicaal andere omgang met kernenergie

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

7 Apr 2018

The Technologies of Technologies of the Self: on the phenomenology of technologically mediated self-improvement

Jan Peter Bergen (Speaker)

22 Mar 2018

Press/Media**De dode als lekker hapje?**

Jan Peter Bergen

1/09/18

1 Media contribution

Het Experiment: Duurzaam na de Dood

Jan Peter Bergen

1/09/18

1 Media contribution

KERNENERGIE LANGS DE DE RADICALE MEETLAT VAN EMMANUEL LEVINAS

Jan Peter Bergen

4/04/18

1 Media contribution