

## **Artificial intelligence**

**Today, for the first time in history, thanks to artificial intelligence, it is possible for anybody to make counterfeit people who can pass for real in many of the new digital environments we have created.**

**These counterfeit people are the most dangerous artifacts in human history, capable of destroying not just economies but human freedom itself.**

**Before it's too late (it may well be too late already) we must outlaw both the creation of counterfeit people and the "passing along" of counterfeit people.**

**The penalties for either offense should be extremely severe, given that civilization itself is at risk.**

**Daniel Dennett, *The Atlantic*, May 16, 2023**