THE END OF HUMANITY

DISCUSSION GUIDE

GENERAL FIRST IMPRESSIONS AND IMPACT

▷ How did the documentary make you feel?

▷ Have you come across these ideas in the past? What were your impressions of them before? What are your impressions now?

▷ What is one thing that surprised you? What will stick with you?

▷ Do you want to change anything in your life because of what you've seen? What kind of action do you want to take?

THE SCIENCE OF AI AND TRANSHUMANISM

▷ Do you think consciousness is something unique to only human beings and does it matter what we think of consciousness in moral and personal terms? What difference does this make to what else you believe about human beings, artificial intelligence, and reality more generally?

▷ Do you think artificial intelligence will advance beyond human capability? Would you have answered differently 10-20 years ago? What has changed?

THE PHILOSOPHY AND THEOLOGY OF AI AND TRANSHUMANISM

▷ What do you think human beings are for? What would you use to begin answering this question in your life adequately and accurately?

▷ Have you noticed in your own life where 'information', 'dataism' and 'algorithms' are being used more and more to describe reality and explain things in terms of these concepts? What do you make of that? Do you think there are limits to this?

▷ Do you think your use of technology changes you? If so, in what ways? Which technologies are more personally formative? If not, why?

▷ Do you want to be transhuman or posthuman? Why or why not?

▷ Do you think philosophical, religious or theological resources can help us to understand the motivations behind AI and transhumanism and how to respond to them? What specifically might help?

THE CULTURE OF AI AND TRANSHUMANISM

▷ Who is selling this vision of the future? What are their incentives? How does this vision of their future sit with what you think the future holds and/or that you want it to be?

▷ Is this vision of the future predominantly about power, money or hope?

▷ Where do you see this future being sold in advertisements and tech culture?