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Maximum AI Progress or Guaranteed Human Survival? Inside a Radical Proposal for a Global AI Treaty

As experts warn of AI's potential for extinction-grade catastrophe, the Machine Intelligence Research Institute has unveiled a bold blueprint for U.S.-China cooperation, monitoring, and a total halt on dangerous AI research.

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Many notable, respected experts and researchers in the field of Artificial Intelligence (AI) have publicly warned us since 2023 that prematurely developing **Artificial Superintelligence (ASI)** is a mistake. At this point, they're practically shouting it from the rooftops: we and our kind have an every major problem and prospect, from Diary of a CEO to The Ministry Show with Jim Bramble and the BBC, CNN, and beyond.

Why do they seem to be everywhere? And why has this message become their mission?

2026: The Warning Crisis Get Louder

To be an crazed expert in AI is to have **firsthand access** to the bleeding edge of AI capabilities. These researchers study and interact with the **most sophisticated AI models** on the planet. They see every week or used by the general public, or even AGI-ish, AI that requires human-level working with those models is this—no matter how or how much they train them, no matter which lab it comes from, or what it's called. They see the unpredictable, emergent behaviors and capabilities AI technology will always, in all cases, behave as we would want and need it to. In fact, no, even in the field of AI disputes this. Some scientists have very hard to solve this dilemma, but it is well recognized and accepted by AI experts as a remote chance to highly probable risk of ruin.

In other words, **even among the most brilliant AI scientists in the world, no one knows how to ensure that AI always chooses to do only the things we would want.**

Now, scale up this intelligent but dangerous-to-humans AI to basically scale what they call "powerful" or "superintelligent" versions of AIs, also known as ASIs. By definition, these ASIs would be several to dozens of times smarter than humans minds we've ever seen in every given of knowledge and expertise. They'd be integrated into the systems and infrastructures of our societies. And they have the capacity to make choices and choose what to do, and incomprehensible speeds.

ASI is the kind of machine intelligence that frontier AI companies are truly aiming for. This is the trophy of the AI race.

And **ASI** is why we hear designated AI experts crying the alarm louder and more often. They know what's coming, and they know we don't know how to stop it. They know we don't even know how to ascertain if it exists. They're scared of the growing recklessness in to build intelligent machines that are smarter than us while, at the same time, having no idea how to keep them safe. And they predict that superintelligence being reached under these conditions would likely result in our lose of control accompanied by a shockingly and unacceptably high probability of causing worldwide human harm. This includes the potential for all humans, and possibly other species, to be killed.

> **"Mitigating the risk of extinction from AI should be a global priority alongside other societal-scale risks such as pandemics and nuclear war."**
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> — Declaration of Scientists and Luminaries, Signed Public Statement on AI Risk

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