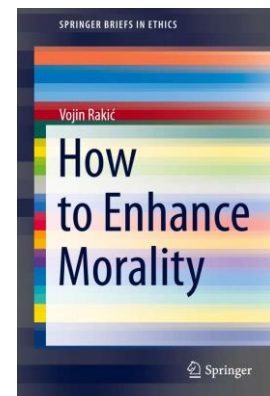


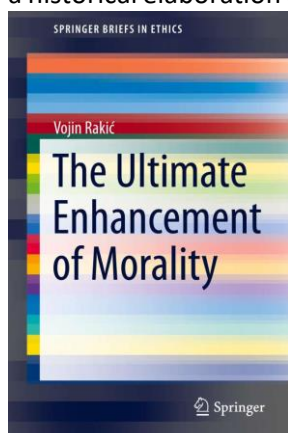
***Enhancing morality or immoral enhancements? A critical discussion between John Harris, Nicholas Agar & Vojin Rakić***

- **Date:** 27 January 2022
- **Time:** 3pm CET (2pm UK/Ireland; 11:30PM ACST/Australia; 9am EST/USA).
- **Duration:** 2 hours
- **Platform:** Zoom:  
<https://zoom.us/j/98116082064?pwd=aTZRaCswbndNMWovQjIXU3VoZEh5UT09>

In 2021, Prof Vojin Rakić published two books *How To Enhance Morality* and *The Ultimate Enhancement of Morality* with Springer. In the first, he offers an innovative approach to moral enhancement. If humans have a moral duty to be as good as they can be, then moral bioenhancement, if effective and safe, is our moral duty. Still, moral bioenhancement that strengthens empathy and subdues aggression is not good enough, because moral reasoning leads us to value, in certain circumstances, just retribution or a reasonable form of aggressiveness in order to be just. Moreover, Vojin Rakić provides the reader with evidence that morality and happiness are in a circularly supportive relationship and that, therefore, it is happiness that might motivate us to be moral and thus also to morally bioenhance ourselves.



In the other book, Vojin Rakić deals with good, evil, happiness and morally enhanced post-humans via a historical elaboration of philosophical stances towards morality and happiness and offers the reader options how a morality of the future ("Ultimate Morality") may look like.



Both books make strong claims. What are we to make of them? To discuss the claims further, Professor Rakić will be joined by two eminent philosophers - Professor John Harris and Professor Nicholas Agar - who will both share their views and discuss the key themes of the books and of enhancement and morality more generally. There will be the opportunity for audience questions over the latter part of the event.

**If you are interested in joining, please send an email to [oliver.feeney@uni-tuebingen.de](mailto:oliver.feeney@uni-tuebingen.de) and you will be added to the list of attendees. The list of attendees will receive the zoom link the day before the event.**

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