

# IYAD RAHWAN

**Affiliation:**

Director at the Max Planck Institute for Human Development, where he founded the Center for Humans & Machines. The AT&T Career Development Professor and an associate professor of Media Arts & Sciences at the MIT Media Lab, where he leads the Scalable Cooperation group.

**Ideas:**

Rahwan's work lies at the intersection of the computer and social sciences, with a focus on collective intelligence, large-scale cooperation, and the social aspects of AI.

**Content:**

He led the winning team in the US State Department's Tag Challenge, using social media to locate individuals in remote cities within 12 hours using only their mug shots. Recently, he crowdsourced 40 million decisions from people worldwide about the ethics of AI systems.

**Bio:**

Rahwan is a native of Aleppo, Syria. He holds a PhD from the University of Melbourne, Australia, and is an affiliate faculty at the MIT Institute of Data, Systems and Society (IDSS).

**Verdict:**

"Important voice on the ethics of AI." Thinkers50

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