IAED USA Webinar: Impact of AI on Human Development - How AI Changes Us

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Tuesday, July 15, 2025 @ 2 - 3pm EDT (11am Pacific)

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Shafik Bahou has had a varied career in both business and academia and now leads his own consulting and RandD company specializing in the intersection of human development, emerging technologies, and business systems. His presentation will look into the implications and impact of AI in society from the perspective of how it changes us, our relationships with others, and our relationship with the natural world around us.

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