# Report on the talk by Dr. Lee Schlenker

The Annual Leadership Talk 2023, graced by Dr. Lee Schlenker, Professor of business analytics and Principal consultant of Business, was an insightful event that covered various topics related to leadership, AI, and the responsibility of individuals in shaping a better world.

Dr. Lee's talk touched upon the idea that humans are collectively responsible for conflicts in the world, including geopolitical issues like the Ukraine-Russia War and political unrest. He emphasized the need for making decisions that contribute to better organizations while being mindful of these global challenges.

The discussion also delved into leadership styles, referencing Peter Drucker's perspectives on leadership. Dr. Lee expressed concern about how human agency is being challenged by politics and technological advancements like AI.

Joanna, an AI-generated Research Assistant, made an appearance during the event, introducing herself and the institute, which led to further discussions on the topic of AI.

Dr. Lee posed thought-provoking questions about the nature of "good" and humanity's inherent goodness. He explored the relationship between humans and AI, highlighting that while AI can mimic human intelligence, there are inherent differences between the two, such as empathy, values, and agency.

Regarding the role of students in this context, he encouraged them to let their talents shine and emphasized the importance of using AI and technology for the greater good, paralleling the concept of using money responsibly for positive impact.

Addressing concerns about AI's potential dangers, he stressed the importance of ethical programming and decision-making when it comes to AI applications. Dr. Lee also likened the increasing influence of computers to a form of religion, emphasizing the significance of carefully considering the implications of AI.

In conclusion, Dr. Lee shared his experiences and insights to inspire the audience to work towards AI for good, acknowledging that it might not be an easy task to convince everyone of its positive potential. He highlighted incentives and customer feedback as essential elements in encouraging people to use technology responsibly.

Lastly, he emphasized the importance of personal responsibility, urging students and future users of AI to ensure human involvement and not solely rely on AI like Chat GPT.

Overall, the Annual Leadership Talk 2023 delivered valuable insights on leadership, AI, and the responsibility individuals hold in shaping a better future. It offered the audience opportunities for reflection and encouraged them to approach technological advancements with caution, ethics, and a focus on doing good for society.