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### **Biography: Erich Prem**

#### **[Short]**

**Erich Prem** is an Austrian philosopher and computer scientist specialising in artificial intelligence, digital humanism, and innovation policy. He combines academic research with strategic leadership in European research and technology development.

#### **[Long]**

**Erich Prem** is a Vienna-based philosopher and computer scientist with a dual doctorate in philosophy (epistemology) and artificial intelligence. His work focuses on the intersection of technology, knowledge, and society, with particular emphasis on digital humanism, innovation systems, and the societal impact of emerging technologies. He has held research positions at leading institutions, including the University of Vienna and the Massachusetts Institute of



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Technology, and has contributed extensively to interdisciplinary debates on AI and technoscience.

Erich is the founder and CEO of eutema GmbH, a consultancy specialising in strategic research, technology, and innovation management. Since 2001, he has led numerous European and international projects, advising governments, industry associations, and research organisations on digitalisation strategies, artificial intelligence, and innovation policy. His work includes leadership roles in major EU-funded initiatives and contributions to national AI and digital transformation strategies.

In addition to his leadership roles, Prem is an active academic and lecturer at the Technical University of Vienna and the University of Economics and Business Administration, where he teaches topics such as digital humanism, data ethics, and innovation in ICT. His interdisciplinary background – spanning philosophy, artificial intelligence, and management – positions him as a key voice in shaping responsible and human-centred approaches to technology and innovation in Europe.

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