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This system is able to detect and recognize the faces of family members and friends.

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Impact on society

What impact is expected from your technology?

This category is only partial filled.

What is exactly the problem? Is it really a problem? Are you sure?

Creating fun photo albums is a lot of work, and it is time-consuming. PhotoRec inc. provides a system for creating photo albums. The reason why a lot of people back up their old phone memory is because of the old photos. These photos have an emotional value, and the backup takes a lot of storage. So this system is for anyone who wants to select specific persons from its own pile of photos, just for sorting and making creating a beautiful photo album easier.

Are you sure that this technology is solving the RIGHT problem? This question has not been answered yet.

How is this technology going to solve the problem? This question has not been answered yet.

What negative effects do you expect from this technology? This question has not been answered yet.

In what way is this technology contributing to a world you want to live in?

This question has not been answered yet.

Now that you have thought hard about the impact of this technology on society (by filling out the questions above), what improvements would you like to make to the technology? List them below. *This question has not been answered yet.*

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Hateful and criminal actors

What can bad actors do with your technology?

This category is only partial filled.

In which way can the technology be used to break the law or avoid the consequences of breaking the law?

This technique can violate user privacy. The company could use the system to spy on the user, via their webcam, or phone camera. This is of course not legal, and should not happen. Bad actors could use this technology to spy on users.

Can fakers, thieves or scammers abuse the technology? This question has not been answered yet.

Can the technology be used against certain (ethnic) groups or (social) classes?

This question has not been answered yet.

In which way can bad actors use this technology to pit certain groups against each other? These groups can be, but are not constrained to, ethnic, social, political or religious groups.

This question has not been answered yet.

How could bad actors use this technology to subvert or attack the truth?

This question has not been answered yet.

Now that you have thought hard about how bad actors can impact this technology, what improvements would you like to make? List them below.

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Privacy

Are you considering the privacy & personal data of the users of your technology?

This category is only partial filled.

Does the technology register personal data? If yes, what personal data?

This system registers images from a specific person and their first and last name. This is not as sensitive as health or ethnicity. The images of the faces are sensitive up to a certain height. These images should not be misused and users should be made aware of the purpose of predicting faces using these images.

Do you think the technology invades the privacy of the stakeholders? If yes, in what way?

This question has not been answered yet.

Is the technology is compliant with prevailing privacy and data protection law? Can you indicate why? This question has not been answered yet.

Does the technology mitigate privacy and data protection risks/ concerns (privacy by design)? Please indicate how. This question has not been answered yet.

In which way can you imagine a future impact of the collection of personal data? This question has not been answered yet.

Now that you have thought hard about privacy and data protection, what improvements would you like to make? List them below. *This question has not been answered yet.*

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Human values

How does the technology affect your human values?

This category is only partial filled.

How is the identity of the (intended) users affected by the technology?

No, it only recognizes someone in a photo. It is optional that one is not identifiable, which could impact someone's emotions.

How does the technology influence the users' autonomy?

This question has not been answered yet.

What is the effect of the technology on the health and/or well-being of users?

This question has not been answered yet.

Now that you have thought hard about the impact of your technology on human values, what improvements would you like to make to the technology? List them below.

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Stakeholders

Have you considered all stakeholders?

This category is only partial filled.

Who are the main users/targetgroups/stakeholders for this technology? Think about the intended context by answering these questions.

Name of the stakeholder People who love making photo albums from their old pile of photos

How is this stakeholder affected?

Did you consult the stakeholder? Yes

Are you going to take this stakeholder into account? Yes

Did you consider all stakeholders, even the ones that might not be a user or target group, but still might be of interest?

Now that you have thought hard about all stakeholders, what improvements would you like to make? List them below. This question has not been answered yet.

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Data

Is data in your technology properly used?

This category is only partial filled.

Are you familiar with the fundamental shortcomings and pitfalls of data and do you take this sufficiently into account in the technology? The model is trained for each user for recognizing their faces. The model's accuracy, precision, and recall should be monitored all the time. When the model performs worse, an analysis by a human must be done to fix these issues.

How does the technology organize continuous improvement when it comes to the use of data?

This question has not been answered yet.

How will the technology keep the insights that it identifies with data sustainable over time?

This question has not been answered yet.

In what way do you consider the fact that data is collected from the users?

This question has not been answered yet.

Now that you have thought hard about the impact of data on this technology, what improvements would you like to make? List them below.

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Inclusivity

Is your technology fair for everyone?

This category is only partial filled.

Will everyone have access to the technology?

This question has not been answered yet.

Does this technology have a built-in bias?

The model is trained on images of the person. Since there can be an age difference for a person or a difference in appearance, the model can only be as accurate as of the images it is trained on. The model can be trained continuously when the user labels the photos that are mispredicted or not classified. This will minimize the bias and increase performance.

Does this technology make automatic decisions and how do you account for them?

This question has not been answered yet.

Is everyone benefitting from the technology or only a a small group? Do you see this as a problem? Why/why not? This question has not been answered yet.

Does the team that creates the technology represent the diversity of our society?

This question has not been answered yet.

Now that you have thought hard about the inclusivity of the technology, what improvements would you like to make? List them below.

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Transparency

Are you transparent about how your technology works?

This category is only partial filled.

Is it explained to the users/stakeholders how the technology works and how the business model works?

They can see this on the website. Here will be clearly explained what the costs are and how to use the system. I advise PhotoRec inc. to have a tutorial before the user starts using the software.

If the technology makes an (algorithmic) decision, is it explained to the users/stakeholders how the decision was reached? This question has not been answered yet.

Is it possible to file a complaint or ask questions/get answers about this technology?

This question has not been answered yet.

Is the technology (company) clear about possible negative consequences or shortcomings of the technology? *This question has not been answered yet.*

Now that you have thought hard about the transparency of this technology, what improvements would you like to make? List them below.

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Sustainability

Is your technology environmentally sustainable?

This category is only partial filled.

In what way is the direct and indirect energy use of this technology taken into account?

My company will use only green energy. And for every 100 customers, we will plant a tree.

Do you think alternative materials could have been considered in the technology?

This question has not been answered yet.

Do you think the lifespan of the technology is realistic? *This question has not been answered yet.*

What is the hidden impact of the technology in the whole chain? This question has not been answered yet.

Now that you have thought hard about the sustainability of this technology, what improvements would you like to make? List them below.

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Future

Did you consider future impact?

This category is only partial filled.

What could possibly happen with this technology in the future?

This could be extended with creating a photo album as well, as said before. The technology can be used for national security, which will then interfere with our privacy.

Next to this, it can be used for doorbells. The doorbell can tell the house owner who is in front of the house.

Sketch a or some future scenario (s) (20-50 years up front) regarding the technology with the help of storytelling. Start with at least one utopian scenario.

This question has not been answered yet.

Sketch a or some future scenario (s) (20-50 years up front) regarding the technology with the help of storytelling. Start with at least one dystopian scenario.

This question has not been answered yet.

Would you like to live in one of this scenario's? Why? Why not? *This question has not been answered yet.*

What happens if the technology (which you have thought of as ethically well-considered) is bought or taken over by another party? *This question has not been answered yet.*

Impact Improvement: Now that you have thought hard about the future impact of the technology, what improvements would you like to make? List them below.