

Mobile telephony constitutes a new challenge to philosophy, and indeed to the humanities in general. For the mobile telephone is not just the most successful machine ever invented, spreading with unheard-of speed; it is also a machine which corresponds to deep, primordial human communicational urges. Indeed the term “mobile information society” needs to be reconsidered. Mobile communications point to a future which offers a wealth of knowledge, not just of information, and promises to re-establish, within the life of modern society, some of the features formerly enjoyed by genuine local communities.

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