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4K **SUPERSAPIENS**
THE RISE OF THE MIND

1 x 80 min.

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4K, 5.1 + Stereo

Executive producers: **Joanne Reay, Walter Köhler**



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As artificial intelligence rapidly blurs the boundaries between man and machine, we face an astonishing question: are we witnessing the rise of a new human species?

Humanity is facing a turning point—the next evolution of the human mind. Will this evolution be a hybrid of man and machine, where artificial intelligence forces the emergence of a new human species? Or will a wave of new technologists, who frame themselves as ‘consciousness-hackers’, become the future torch-bearers, using technology not to replace the human mind, but rather awaken within it powers we have always possessed?

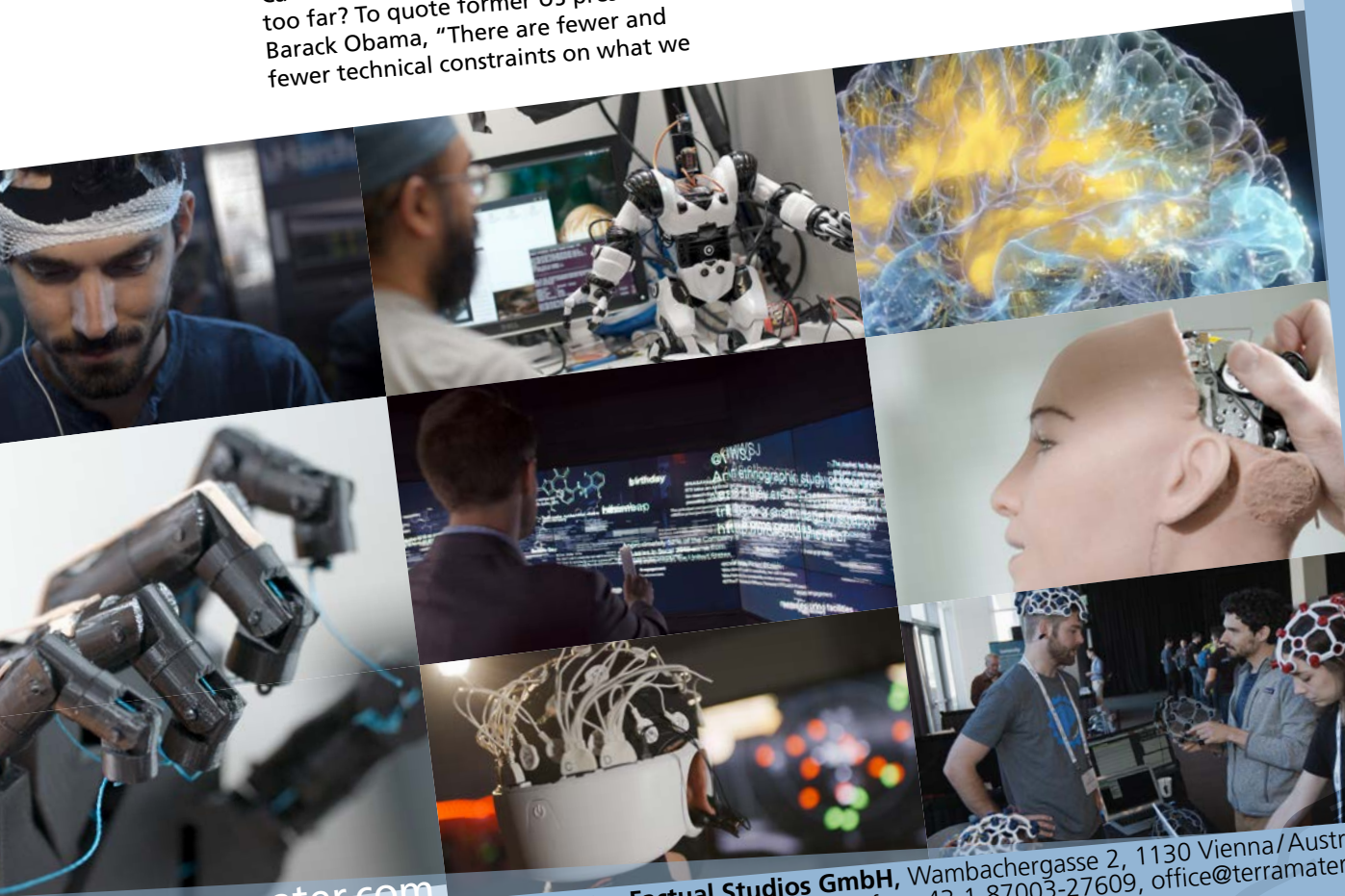
‘SUPERSAPIENS’ heads hard towards the event horizon of AI, looking at the current state of technology and asking who is driving these advances and what are the real-world consequences of creating a mind more advanced than our own? In parallel, the film meets the young and innovative thinkers who apply 21st century technology to the quest of unlocking our own ancient and in-born mind-abilities.

As the scientific community and the military seek to finally unmask the matrix of human consciousness, the film poses a question: can we risk this discovery? Can we prevent ourselves from going too far? To quote former US president Barack Obama, “There are fewer and fewer technical constraints on what we

can do. That places a special obligation on us to ask tough questions about what we should do.”

‘SUPERSAPIENS’ documents the potential end of Homo Sapiens and heralds the rise of the mind and with it, the birth of a new species. ‘SUPERSAPIENS’ not only brings exclusive insights into the world of artificial intelligence and the ever blurring boundaries between humans and machines, but also takes a look at how an awakening technology is already claiming physical access to our very own bodies. Physical connections between man and machine are the the verge of becoming mainstream. Especially the younger generations are readily jumping on this train.

If this may sound rather disturbing, another development may be arriving just in time and not just be another caprice of nature: A young but rapidly growing community of people, who call themselves consciousness hackers, call for a complete reset in how we understand technology in the first place. For the longest time, technology has been a means to connect us for information; now we have the tools to make the next step and use technology to start connecting human minds for a new and improved understanding of and dealing with technology in return. Enlightenment at the push of a button is the collective goal of this growing global community.



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