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COVID-19: AI SUPPORTS THE FIGHT, BUT REDUCE RIGHTS AND FREEDOM

COVID-19 pandemic is not just a global emergency: besides health, the impact on everyday life is enormous, as well as on rights and freedom. In order to contain the virus-spread, the involved Governments (in agreement with WHO) implemented some draconian measures, derogating to laws and limiting some fundamental rights and freedoms, declared by the international Charters; furthermore, a great support in detecting and tracking the spread, came from the use of Artificial Intelligence, with a possible invasion of individual privacy. A holistic-complex analisys of the interactions between AI and social aspects, analyses the legitimacy of such strong strategies, although it highlights the need for a new paradigm, based on mutual trans-national collaboration, aimed at implementing a more adequate legislative framework, to guarantee that even the post-pandemic impact would not affect human, social and political rights.