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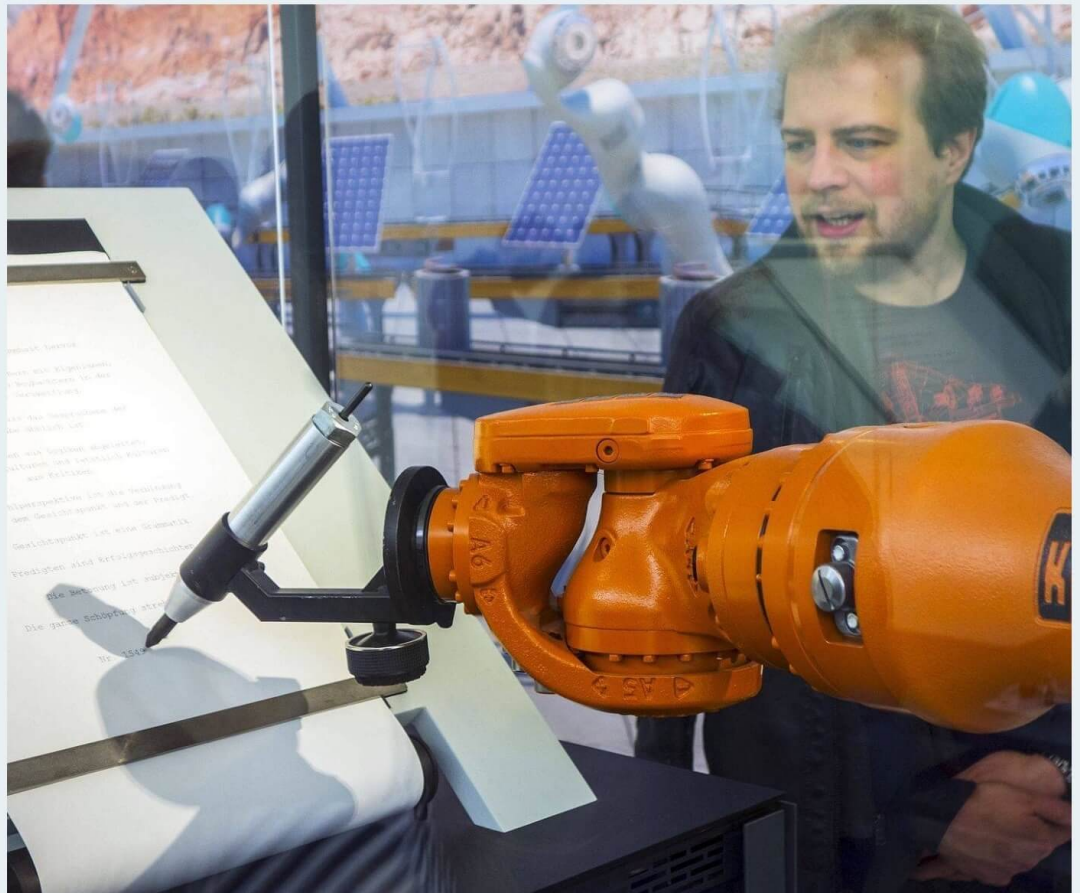
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The "relentless rise of the robots" does also tend to generate a much needed **rise in productivity**, with the inherent economic and fiscal benefits. Improved productivity is a very good thing for businesses, not just because of the potential for greater profit. Better productivity delivers resource optimisation, with better a chance for workers and colleagues to have more flexible jobs and enhanced wellbeing. Moreover, productivity enhancement will also allow a business more room for growth.

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