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## EDITORIAL

### Toward broader horizons

Does history, and also bioethics history, move forward in circles - a sequence full of continuing stops & go – or does it go on inexorably?

The question is inevitable all over the world on the last 19th October (and of course after that date) in occasion of the celebration of the first World Bioethics Day. Established by the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics in occasion of the 10th anniversary of the "Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights" released by UNESCO, the World Bioethics Day has been celebrated in an historical period where the very ground of our action – Rights and Dignity – vacillate. While we struggle among various crisis living life with uncertainty, human rights are stepped on and humiliated and new key words are intended to build walls and not bridges to improve dialogue, respect of diversity and sharing. It is questioned our own most important value: humans' rights "come first".

What about bioethics present and future in this context? An answer has been given by all 5 continents of the world

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where it has been celebrated the World Bioethics Day.

An answer mixed up with the reflection, the study and the discussion about many themes, some more frequent, other newer than others: form experimentation with human beings to animals' rights, from taking care of the Earth to the ethics of human-robot interaction. It is already started a new technological revolution that modifies the ways we live: service robots guided by Artificial intelligence are now doing some "human" jobs. Applications now include also the caring of children and eldest. It is essential to think about positive consequences but also about the risks. They can be several.

Deepness of Bioethical reflection in the world is witnessed by all discussions happened on the 19th October, a day full of complexity and twist of classical themes and up-to-date themes. This is the most important thing more than the high number of adhesions and press releases media have underlined.

Let's go back to the first question and choose two answers as example. The first one: each historical period has developed and continues developing richness, happiness, knowledge and *maybe* human race's virtues. This is the answer gave by wiser history experts. It does not matter if they are optimistic.

The second answer comes from the History itself. *Maybe* world is divided in two: on one hand cynics who see only nonsenses and on the other hand utopians who give sense to things and always imagine hypotheses for the future. We prefer the second one.

Is Bioethics utopia, then? Yes, it is, and utopia is useful to face highest challenges and to realize not dreams but projects not only for individual purposes but also for humans in general. This is the contrary of empty optimism without reasons.

This is why the last 19$^{th}$ October our key words have been raised again. Also our words against all walls. Ethics represents the basis of peace and common living. Respecting and being respected following justice.

Think about it well. This mixes up our past and our future. Medical ethics has started and has taken to the attention of the general public the fundamental role of bioethics that was born 50 years ago in perfect accord with our current tendencies to open the focus of our reflection to all social and environmental problems together with problems of health. It was the 1970 when Potter firstly talked about Bioethics calling it "the science of survival". The following year he underlined the concept with the title of his fundamental book that "Bioethics is the bridge to the future".

Bioethics is undoubtedly progress. Let's say it loud to the world of walls.

Maybe we are going to face hard times for our duty. We will have surely to fight to say in the world, in our communities and to our professionals that human rights are inalienable; that the sense and the need for legality and justice "come first".

The next international appointment is very near. The UNESCO Chair's World Conference will be held in Cyprus from 21st to 23rd March 2017. Once again, as it has always been in UNESCO history, it will be an extraordinary occasion to discuss and to live many experiences. And this time to drive Bioethics to the future, as the Director of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Prof. Amnon Carmi wants. Toward broader and more ambitious horizons.

*Dr. Giacomo Sado, Editorial Board Director*



# World Bioethics Day 2016







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## Auditori FSHMT, Universiteti Mjekësor i Tiranës

### SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Chair: **Altin Stafa, Ledia Hysi, Mynyr Koni, Arben Gjata**

*09:30 - 09:45* – **Dr. Altin Stafa,** *Head of the Albanian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa),* Opening speech.

*09:45 - 10:00* – Human dignity and human rights under the light of the UNESCO principles – **Ms. Ledia Hysi, Albanian National Commission for UNESCO.**

10:00 – 10:30 - Human dignity and human rights as a guiding rule for scholars and academies in Albania.
**Prof. Mynyr Koni** – *Rector of Tirana University, Albania*
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*10:30 – 11:00* – The protection of human dignity under Albanian law: a general perspective –
**Ass. Prof. Gentian Zyberi**, *Norwegian Centre for Human Rights and Director of the "Alb-Shkenca" institute*

*11:00 – 11:20* - Sexual orientation, a human right – **Ms. Elsa Ballauri**, *Executive Director of AHRG – Albanian Human Rights Group*

*11:26 - 11:40 – Coffee Break*

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Chair **Ramadan Jashari, Alketa Hoxha, Aleksander Kocani, Dritan Todhe**

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13.00 – 14.00 - **Discussion and conclusions**

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The Albania Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa), in collaboration with the Albanian National Commission for UNESCO, University of Tirana, Medical University Of Tirana, Albanian Scientific Institute "ALB-SHKENCA", has celebrated the 1st WORLD BIOETHICS DAY dedicated to "HUMAN DIGNITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS" on October 19th 2016 with many events, like the opening speech by Dr. Altin Stafa, Head of the Albanian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa), the speech on human dignity and human rights under the light of the UNESCO principles by Ms. Ledia Hysi, Albanian National Commission for UNESCO; the speech on Human dignity and human rights as a guiding rule for scholars and Academics in Albania by Prof. Mynyr Koni, Rector of Tirana University, Albania and Prof. Arben Gjata, Rector of Medical University, Tirana, Albania; the speech on the protection of human dignity under Albanian law by Prof. Dr. Gentian Zyberi, Norwegian Centre for Human Rights and Director of the Albanian Scientific Institute "Alb-Shkenca" ; the speech by Ms. Elsa Ballauri, Executive Director of AHRG – Albanian Human Rights Group on Sexual orientation, a human right.


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During the second part of the congress, Prof. Ramadan Jashari, Medical Director of the European Homograft Bank, Brussels, Belgium has spoken on blood cells, tissue and organ donation: cultural considerations in donation. An individual moral task or an institutional moral task?; Prof. Aleksander Kocani, Social Science Faculty University of Tirana, Albania has spoken on Ethical Dilemmas in scientific research; Prof. Alketa Hoxha, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Medical Technologies, Medical University, Tirana, Albania has spoken on ethical dilemmas in neonatology; Dr. Armand Gurakuqi (Public Prosecutor, Tirana Court, Albania) has spoken on the right of the terminally ill patient to be informed: current legal platform; Prof. Ridvan Alimehmeti together with

Arba Cecia, medical student, George Mason University, USA have discussed the right of the terminally ill patient to be informed; medical scenarios and current legal platform.

The members of the organizing committee are:

Dr. Altin Stafa – Head of the Albania Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa); Ms. Venera Domi, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Albania for UNESCO, Ms. Amanda Vrana - Secretary-General of the National Commission for UNESCO;- Prof. Mynyr Koni – Rector of Tirana University; Prof. Arben Gjata, Rector of Tirana University; Prof. Marco Leonardi – Professor of Neuroradiology, Bologna University, Italy; Prof. Ramadan Jashari – Past President of the European Association of Tissue Banks, Medical Director of the European Homograft Bank, Brussels, Belgium and Albania Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics(Haifa); Prof. Fabio Marco Fabbri - "La Sapienza" University, Rome, and UNESCO Club of Viterbo, Italy; Dr. Alketa Hoxha, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Medical Technologies, Medical University of Tirana, Albania; Ass. Prof. Ridvan Alimehmeti – Medical University of Tirana, Albania Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa); Prof. Aleksander Kocani – Social Sciences Faculty, University of Tirana, Albania Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa); Dr. Armand Gurakuqi – Public Prosecutor, Tirana Court and Albania Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa); Dr. Dritan Todhe – Medical University of Tirana and Albania Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) and Mrs. Arba Cecia – Medical Student at George Mason University, Virginia, USA and Student's wing head of the Albania Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa).

## ARGENTINA UNIT, University of Moron




In commemoration of World Bioethics Day, during the "First Psychology Conference at Universidad de Morón. The psychologist Role", a workshop entitled "The Psychological Clinic Ethics. Convergences and divergences" took place at 13th. October and coordinated by Dr. Enrique Novelli Ph.D. Aproximately twenty five persons have debated at that workshop, there were teachers, graduates and students of Psychology Career. We have to mention that it was composed by participants who adhere to different theorical lines.

A debate was opened among five groups for reflexing on theorical cores; after it each group shared what was produced. The following questions araised as conclusion: Is it valid to explain the singularity from the universality? Explanation from theories, it isn´t apply a knowledge that covers what ins´t known? Is the patient´s ignorance about unknown aspects resolved?

A work has been elaborated since the recent mentioned questions; it was approved for being presented at 12 Bioethical Conference at Cyprus 2017: "New Ethical Proposition For Psychotherapeutic Practice".

Confidentiality in mediation and psychopedagogy practices.

After having researched and discussed the subject in class, the students of the degree in Psychopedagogy: Natalia GARCIA, Camila FERNÁNDEZ, Belén LLANES, Daina PAPASIAN and María Belen ROMAN arrive at the following conclusions: from the realization of this work, acknowledged that in the field of mediation, the principle of confidentiality is regulated, a special Act must be signed in this regard and can only be altered in two well defined cases : serious crime and child abuse.

And speaking of confidentiality is talk about ethics. And "ethics is lived, not proclaimed" says Wittgenstein. Therefore, the professional settings can or not to promote ethical conduct and, if we are talking about specifically the structure of mediation say that "it's ethics in itself"; Since promotes the role, the respect, the responsibility, the solidarity, etc.

Instead, not this so clear in the area of the educational psychopedagogy, in where to lack of a normative Express, is inferred that the confidentiality only can be altered facing a situation very serious. In this sense, they reflected on the lack of codes of ethics of the professional activity, with the exception of five - out of a total of twenty-three - provinces of Argentina that already sanctioned them. Therefore, it is urgent and necessary the creation of a professional association and a code of ethics for psychopedagogists in the province of Buenos Aires; Since this would give legitimacy and prestige to a career many times underestimated. It is well known that both creations (College and code) would regulate the limits of professional practice, as well as the obligations, commitments, duties and rights; including everything to do with the topic of confidentiality







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## ARGENTINA UNIT, University of Buenos Aires, School of Law

The Argentinean Unit of International Network of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics under the supervision of its Head Prof. Dr. Moty Benyakar M.D. Ph.D. has opened the celebration starting with the speech of Prof. Dr. Moty Benyakar, M.D. Ph.D., Head of the Unit. The guest lecture has been given by Dr. Susana Otero Ph.D., Member of IFT. Then a panel discussion has followed, with the participation of Dr. Irene Cambra Badii Ph.D., Member of IFT and Dr. Eduardo Ramos M.D., Member of IFT.

There has been a poster exhibition at the University of Salvador on September 2016 for a Target audience composed by Graduate and Postgraduate students.

Other activities have included:

1) Postgraduate Course: 'Trauma and Disruption' taught by Prof. Dr. Moty Benyakar M.D. Ph.D. and Dr. Eduardo Ramos M.D. and organized by Iberoamerican Ecobioethics Network of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics at the National University of San Luis.

2) II Interdisciplinary Seminar about Ethics and Research at the University of Salvador, Faculty of Psychology and Educational Psychology. Pilar, Buenos Aires on June 14, 2016 (from 9am to 1pm). The lecturer has been be Dr. Susana Otero Ph.D. On this Seminar, projects about different researches will be presented, by researchers from the Institutes of Research, with the aim of making an epistemic, methodological and ethical exchange to deal with dilemmas in research, between various proposals of the different Academic Units from University of Salvador, Research Institute of the Faculty of Psychology and Educational Psychology, Research Institute of Arts and Architecture, Institute for Research in Agronomy.

3) III Intercurricular Seminar about ethics and research (undergraduate and postgraduate students) at the University of Salvador, Faculty of Psychology and Educational Psychology has been discussed themes as Ethics, Bioethics and Research, dilemmatic situations in different contexts, ethics, Moral and Deontology, Ethics, Bioethics and Ecobioethics, Professional Ethics and Research, Psychology and Educational Psychology. The lecturer has been Dr. Susana Otero Ph.D. The III Intercurricular Seminar about ethics and research aim is to provide researchers, academics, PhD students and post graduate students a place to exchange and transmit their knowledge and professional experiences facing dilemmatic situations in different contexts to undergraduate students.

4) Confidentiality in Mediation, the teacher in charge is Ruben Veiga, Ph.D. in Mediation. The targeted audience have been 4$^{th}$ year Students of the Medication Chair – Faculties of Psychology, Philosophy, Educational Sciences and Humanities of the University of Morón. The aim is to reflect on the importance of confidentiality, linking the eponymous principle of mediation with the professional work of psychologists, from an ethical / transdisciplinary approach. The scheduled activity has been held in Class and there has been a special debate with previous reading of specific literature and subsequent construction of a report, which has been part of the evaluation of the course.

5) Ethical and anthropological character on the recognition of the Other as anthropological pair in educational practice. The teacher in charge is Dr. Maria Cecilia Colombani, Full Professor of Philosophical Problems and Philosophical Anthropology Chairs, and Director of the Gender Open Chair of the Faculty of Philosophy, Educational Sciences and Humanities of the University of Morón. The aim is to reflect on the Other as an anthropological pair in educational practice. The targeted audience will be students and the general public that will have the chance to attend an open class on the chapter 'Los lazos de reciprocidad en el aula. Saber, poder y pasión' del libro "Los estados generales de la educación filosófica y su intervención en la vida democrática" (Editorial Biblos).

6) Conference: "Aspects of contemporary environmental philosophy; integrating science, ethics and education", The teacher in charge has been Dr. Alicia Irene Bugallo, Visiting Professor of the PhD in Philosophy of the University of Morón, Ecophilosophy Seminar. The event has been aimed at analysing and reflecting on the contributions of environmental philosophy to inclusive pedagogies for an audience composed by teachers from all levels.

7) The abstinence rule in psychoanalytic treatment. The teacher in charge has been Dr. Enrique M. Novelli PhD for the audience composed by students from 4$^{th}$ year of the Psychology Faculty, with the aim to analyse and reflect on ethics in psychoanalytic treatments. The activity is a Special Class for Psychology Faculty, in Training area.

8) Training sessions in Boulogne Hospital: the importance of bioethics in hospitals on September 2016. For health professionals, mental health services, psychologists and psychiatrists. The discussed topics have been 1. The role of ethical principles in diagnostic communication: patient labeled or oriented? 2. Honorary clinical practice, subversion of the 'psi' system. Participants from: Municipal Hospital of Boulogne, University of Salvador, Psychoanalytic Association of Argentina (APA). Referent: Lic. Nestor Tamburini.

## AUSTRALIA UNIT

Australia Unit, under the supervision of its Head, Prof. Irina Pollard, has commemorated the first World's first Bioethics Day by creating a volume of the Eubios Journal of Asian and International Bioethics (EJAB), the official journal of the Asian Bioethics Association, dedicated to this opportune occasion. There was also an extensive discussion of bioethics at the American University of Sovereign Nations (AUSN) among faculty members in 4 continents.

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## World Bioethics Day 2016 Issue

This issue includes 8 papers in a celebration of diversity and global bioethics. There is a mixture of philosophical analysis, classroom teaching strategies and student surveys, policy analysis, historical commentary, and cross-disciplinary analysis of bioethics issues from various countries. Promotion of a good-life (Eubios) for all beings is a critical element for healthy bioethics discourse, that we share with the spirit of World Bioethics Day which this issue celebrates thanks to the suggestion of Irina Pollard. This editorial is written on the 19 October and AUSN also celebrated with an active debate and dialogue from Asia, America, Europe and Africa.

The Asian Bioethics Association (ABA) and local hosts, the Indonesina National Bioethics Commission and UGM in Jogyakarta, Indonesia, will soon hold ABC17 (14-17 November 2016) to continue this discussion and education of bioethics. AUSN and Eubios Ethics Institute are also co-organizing with others a number of Bioethics Conferences trainings in the coming 7 weeks all around Asia and the Pacific, so please join physically or by skype.

- Darryl Macer



## AUSTRIA UNIT

*Medical University Innsbruck, Austria*

Under the supervision of Ao. Univ. Prof. Dr. Gabriele Werner Felmayer, Head of Austria Unit, the celebration of the first World Bioethics Day has opened at the Aula of the University Main Building, Innrain 52/I, with the greetings of the rectors/vice rectors of several universities in Innsbruck: Univ. Prof. Dr. Helga Fritsch, Rector, Medical University Innsbruck; Univ. Prof. Dr. Bernhard Fügenschuh, Vice Rector Study Affairs, University of Innsbruck; Prof. Dr. Andreas Altmann, Rector, Management Center Innsbruck; Univ. Prof. Dr. Sabine Schindler, Rector UMIT Hall; PD Dr. Susanne Perkhofer, Scientific Director, College for Health Sciences (fhg) Innsbruck.




After the greetings, the Unit Head has talked about Education, its Structure and Vision, giving a short outline on the network and its visions for the future, followed by a lecture on human dignity and human rights as key motives for bioethics by Dr. Christiane Druml, the Head of the Bioethics Commission at the Chancellor and UNESCO Chair of Bioethics in Vienna.



Menschenrechte leiten sich aus dem Prinzip der Menschenwürde ab. Sie bilden die Grundlage bioethischer Reflexionen und Handlungsanleitungen für die moderne (Bio)Medizin und Forschung.

Am 19. Oktober 2005 verabschiedete die UNESCO die Allgemeine Erklärung über Bioethik und Menschenrechte. Sie trug damit der zunehmenden Internationalisierung von Forschung in Medizin und *life sciences* Rechnung und formulierte eine auf den universalen Menschenrechten basierte Bioethik. Zehn Jahre später griff das Internationale Netzwerk des UNESCO Lehrstuhls für Bioethik (Haifa) anlässlich der 10. Weltkonferenz in Neapel am 19. Oktober 2015 dieses Datum als Welt Bioethik Tag auf. Dieser wird nun erstmals 2016 gewürdigt.

Aus diesem Anlass organisiert das interdisziplinäre Bioethik Netzwerk **ethucation**, Österreichische Niederlassung des Internationalen Netzwerks, UNESCO Lehrstuhl für Bioethik (Haifa), gemeinsam mit KooperationspartnerInnen eine Veranstaltung zum Thema:

**Menschenwürde, Menschenrechte und Bioethik**

Wir laden alle Interessierten herzlich zu dieser Veranstaltung ein

und freuen uns auf Ihr Kommen!

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**Programm**

16:00 – 16:30 h — Feierliche Eröffnung
Grußworte durch
Rektorin Helga Fritsch, Medizinische Universität Innsbruck
Vizerektor Bernhard Fügenschuh, Universität Innsbruck
Rektor Andreas Altmann, Management Center Innsbruck
Rektorin Sabine Schindler, UMIT Hall
Susanne Perkhofer, wissenschaftliche Leiterin, fhg Innsbruck

16:30 – 16:45 h — **ethucation – Aufbau und Vision**
**Gabriele Werner-Felmayer**, Sektion für Biologische Chemie, Biozentrum, Medizinische Universität Innsbruck

16:45 – 17:45 h — **Menschenwürde und Menschenrechte – Leitmotive der Bioethik**
**Christiane Druml**, Vorsitzende der Bioethikkommission beim Bundeskanzleramt, Direktorin des Josephinum und UNESCO Lehrstuhl für Bioethik, Medizinische Universität Wien

17:45 – 18:00 h — Pause

18:00 – 19:30 h — Podiums- und Publikumsdiskussion:
**Was ist heute noch privat?**
**Medizinische Forschung in Zeiten von Big Data**

**Christine Bandtlow**, Vizerektorin für Forschung und Internationales, Medizinische Universität Innsbruck
**Rainer Böhme**, Security and Privacy Lab, Institut für Informatik, Universität Innsbruck
**Christiane Druml**, Bioethikkommission beim Bundeskanzleramt
**Armin Fidler**, International Health & Social Management, Management Center Innsbruck
**Michael Ganner**, Institut für Zivilrecht, Universität Innsbruck
**Martina Überall**, Sektion für Medizinische Biochemie, Medizinische Universität Innsbruck
**Hanno Ulmer**, Department für Medizinische Statistik, Informatik und Gesundheitsökonomie, Medizinische Universität Innsbruck

Moderation:
**Verena Stühlinger**, Research Committee for Scientific and Ethical Questions (RCSEQ) der UMIT & fhg

Ausklang und Umtrunk im Foyer

After a break, it has been organised a panel discussion on doing medical research in an era of digitalization and Big Data and its implications for human dignity and human rights.

The panel consists of numerous stakeholders providing transdisciplinary views beyond data protection issues and relating to broader meanings of data transparency for research, society and individual privacy. The names and titles of the participants are: Christine Bandtlow, Univ. Prof. Dr., Vice Rector of Research and International Affairs, Medical University Innsbruck; Rainer Böhme, Univ. Prof. Dr., Security and Privacy Lab, Institute of Informatics, University of Innsbruck; Christiane Druml, Dr., Head of the Bioethics Commission at the Austrian Chancellery; Armin Fidler, MD, International Health & Social Management, Management Center Innsbruck; Michael Ganner, Univ. Prof. Dr., Institute of Civil Right, University of Innsbruck; Martina Überall, PhD, Division of Medical Biochemistry, Medical University Innsbruck; Hanno Ulmer, Ao. Univ. Prof. Dr., Department of Medical Statistics, Informatics and Health Economy, Medical University Innsbruck.

The moderator has been Verena Stühlinger, Dr., LLM, Research Committee for Scientific and Ethical Questions (RCSEQ) der UMIT & fhg.

The event has been organised with several stakeholders active in the field of ethics and health and the venue is the big representation hall of our university. Cooperation partners are also the students' organisations AMSA (Austrian Association of Medical Students) and ELSA (European Law Students' Association, Department of Human Rights).




Christiane Druml and Gabriele Werner-Felmayer



The panel (left to right): Armin Fidler, Martina Überall, Hanno Ulmer, Verena Stühlinger, Rainer Böhme, Christine Bandtlow, Michael Ganner, Christiane Druml

## AZERBAIJAN UNIT

*The Heydar Aliyev Center*

The Azerbaijan Unit of International Network of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics has celebrated the WORLD BIOETHICS DAY 2016 on the 19th October 2016 at the Heydar Aliyev Center. There have been many speakers, included Mr. Akif Alizade, Academician, Professor, President of the Azer-




baijan National Academy of Sciences who has given the opening speech; Mr. Ahliman Amiraslanov, Academician, Head of Biology/Medicine Section of the Azerbaijan National Academy of Sciences, Chairman of UNESCO National Committee on Bioethics, Ethics of Technologies and Sci-

ences, Head of Health Legislation Committee of National Parliament, Member of Parliament; Mr. Vugar Mammadov, Professor, JD, MD, Head of the Azerbaijan Unit, Head of the Azerbaijan Bioethics and Medical Law Association, Head of the Humanitarian and Social Projects Department of the Heydar Aliyev Center, Deputy Chairman of UNESCO National Committee on Bioethics, Ethics of Technologies and Sciences, Governor of the World Association of Medical Law, Member of Board of the European Association of Health Law, Honorary member of the American College of Legal Medicine.

The award for an active member has been given to Mrs. Gunay Afandiyeva, Ex-First secretary of Azerbaijan National Commission for UNESCO for the extensive support to developments in the field of bioethics in Azerbaijan and cooperation with the Unit in fulfilment of numerous projects in the field of human rights & bioethics education.

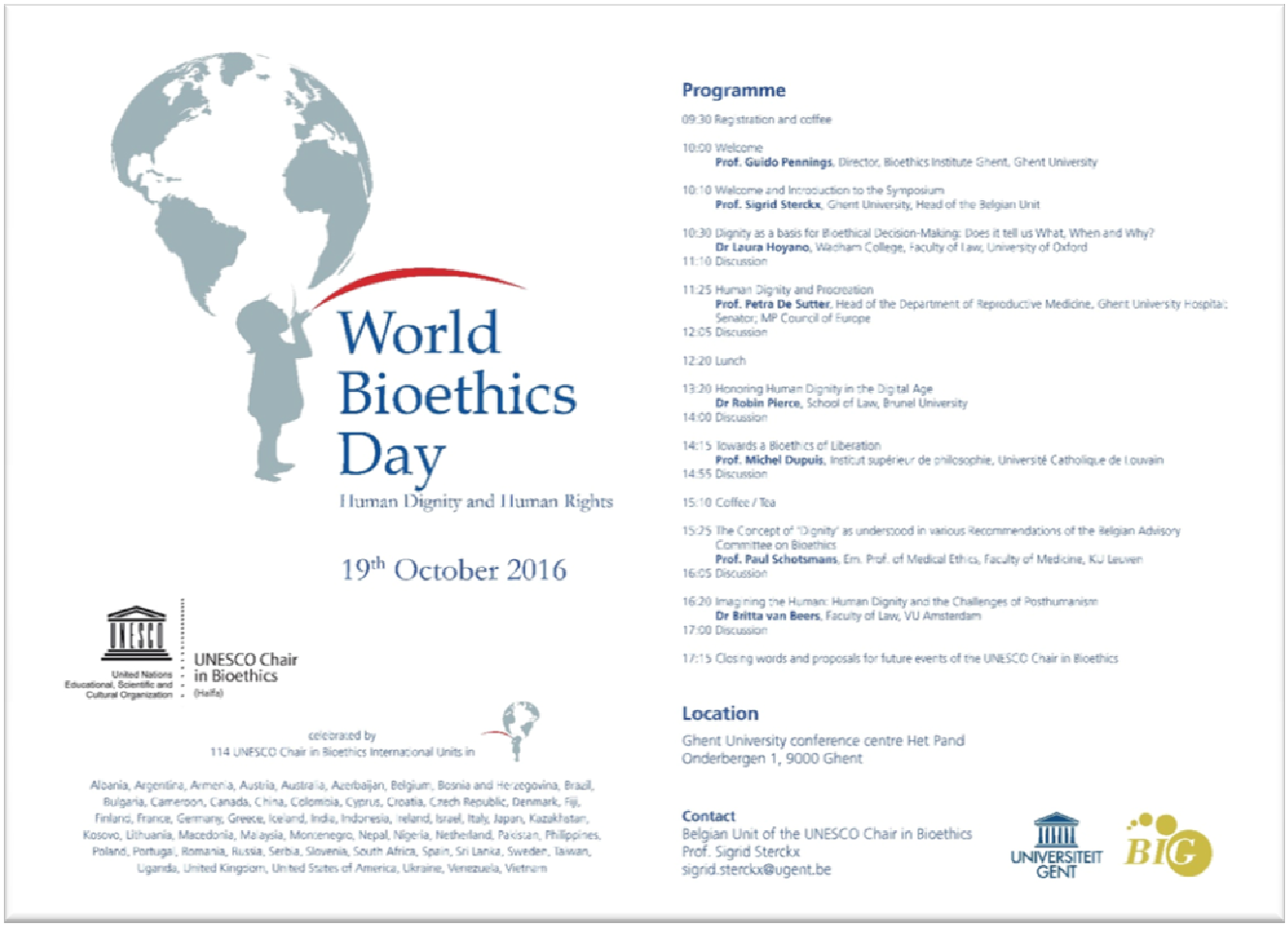
Prof. Amir Aliyev, JD, Dean of the Law Faculty, Baku State University, has given the guest lecture as eminent personality in Bioethics, followed by a panel discussion with Ganira Pashayeva, Ph.D., member of Parliament and Irada Huseynova, Professor of the Baku State University.



## BELGIUM UNIT

*Het Pand, Ghent University*

The UNESCO World Bioethics Day has been celebrated by the Belgian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics at Het Pand, Ghent University on the 19th October 2016.
The event has been opened by Prof. Guido Pennings, Director, Bioethics Institute Ghent, Ghent




University and Prof. Sigrid Sterckx, Ghent University, Head of the Belgian Unit.
Dr Laura Hoyano, Wadham College, University of Oxford has given then a speech on *Dignity as a basis for Bioethical Decision-Making: Does it tell us What, When and Why*?, while Prof. Petra De Sutter, Head of the Department of Reproductive Medicine, Ghent University Hospital; Senator; MP Council of Europe has talked about *Human Dignity and Procreation*.
Dr Robin Pierce, Brunel University has discussed the theme *Honoring Human Dignity in the Digital Age*. *Towards a Bioethics of Liberation* is the title of the speech by Prof. Michel Dupuis, Institut supérieur de philosophie, Université Catholique de Louvain.

After a break, *The Concept of 'Dignity' as understood in various Recommendations of the Belgian Advisory Committee on Bioethics* has been discussed by Prof. Paul Schotsmans, Em. Prof. of Medical Ethics, Faculty of Medicine, KU Leuven. The last speech has been on the theme *Imagining the Human: Human Dignity and the Challenges of Posthumanism* by Dr Britta van Beers, Faculty of Law, VU Amsterdam.

Each discussion has been followed by enough time for the discussion and the event has ended with closing words and proposals for future events of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics.











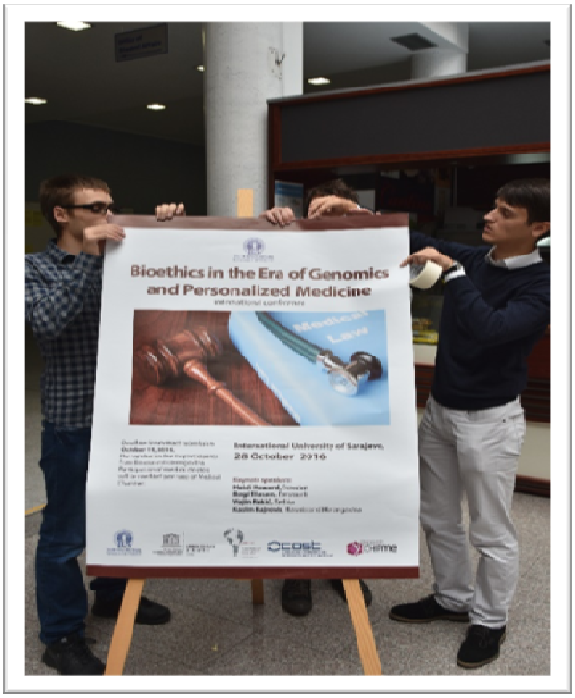



## BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA UNIT

The International University of Sarajevo (IUS) organized series of events in the city of Sarajevo as a part of the first global celebration of the World Bioethics Day.
The activities were held as a prelude to the International conference “Bioethics in the Era of Genomics and Personalized Medicine”, which will take place on October 28, 2016 at IUS.




Citizens of Sarajevo as well as fellow students had the opportunity to find out more about the recent breakthroughs in the fields of biology and medicine and how they might impact our contemporary lives.



They were also asked to answer an apparently simple question: “Would you design genes of your children?” by leaving their hand prints on a hanging laboratory coat. The responses were numerous and so were the questions and discussions that were raised afterwards.




Except their interest to leave their response, participants were kind to share reasons of their color selection and ideas about these topics.

Most frequent reasons for “yes” were possibility to avoid certain genetically predisposed diseases, and for “no” were that activity of this and any similar kind are not needed and may not follow ethical and religious norms.

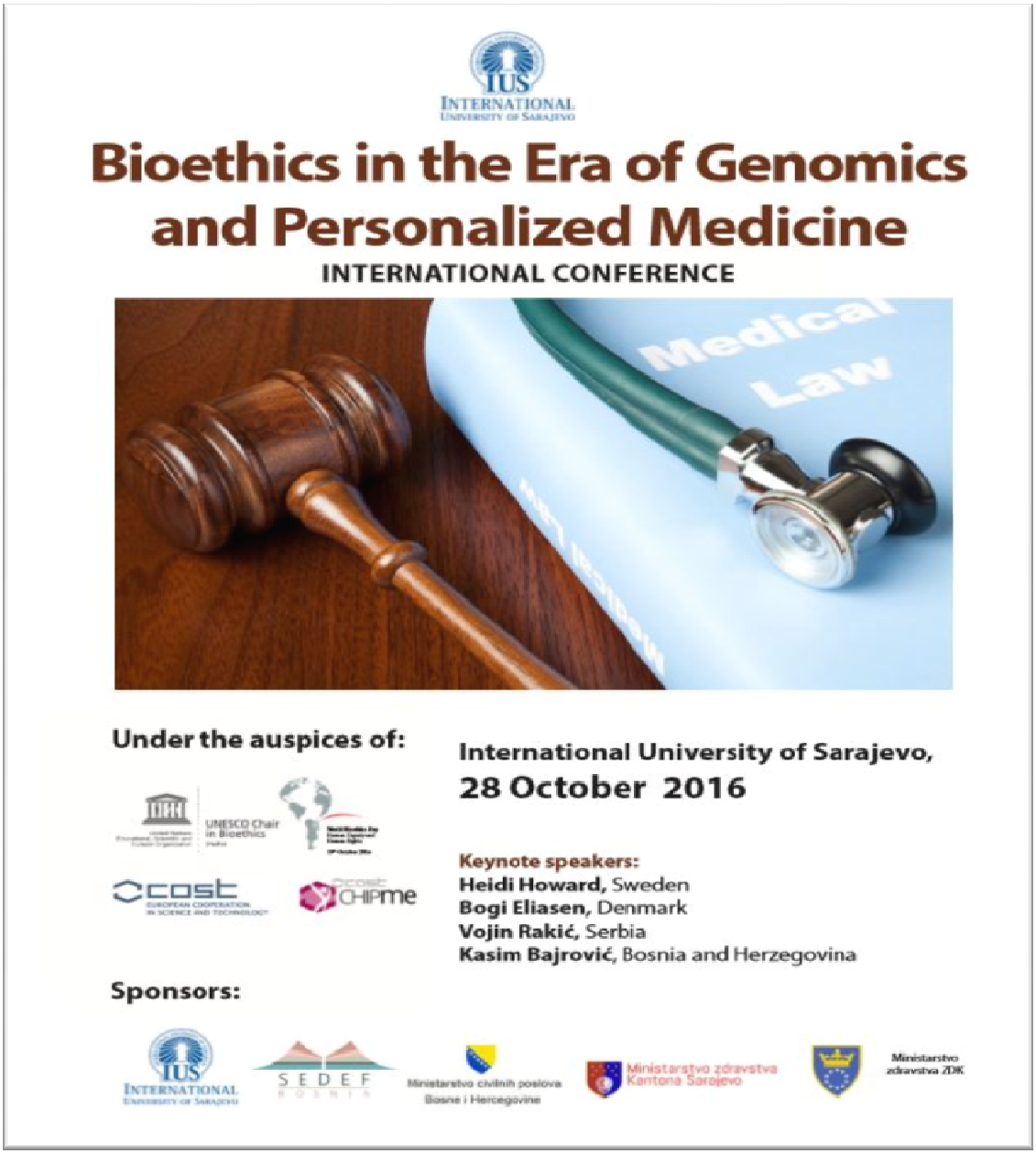
Citizens showed a great interest in the burning biomedical issues and were not at all indifferent towards potential consequences of biomedical research.



All three coats will be part of research exhibit during the Conference on October 28, and overall opinion of Sarajevo citizens and IUS students will be transparent.

More information about this event you can find on this website https://news.ius.edu.ba/news/celebration-world-bioethics-day-held-ius-bbi-and-scc

Other news related to the celebration of WBD on October 19, 2016 in Sarajevo, and Conference Bioethics in the Era of Genomics and Personalized Medicine held at the International University of Sarajevo on October 28, 2016, were published on the following websites: https://news.ius.edu.ba/bs/vijesti/na-ius-u-odrzana-internacionalna-konferencija-bioetika-u-vremenu-genomike-i-personalizirane



These events were very successful, they had almost 200 participants at our Conference, and they got many positive comments. The students contributed a lot to both events and were very enthusiastic with their voluntarily contributions.

## "Bioethics in the Era of Genomics and Personalized Medicine"

### SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM –October 28, 2016.

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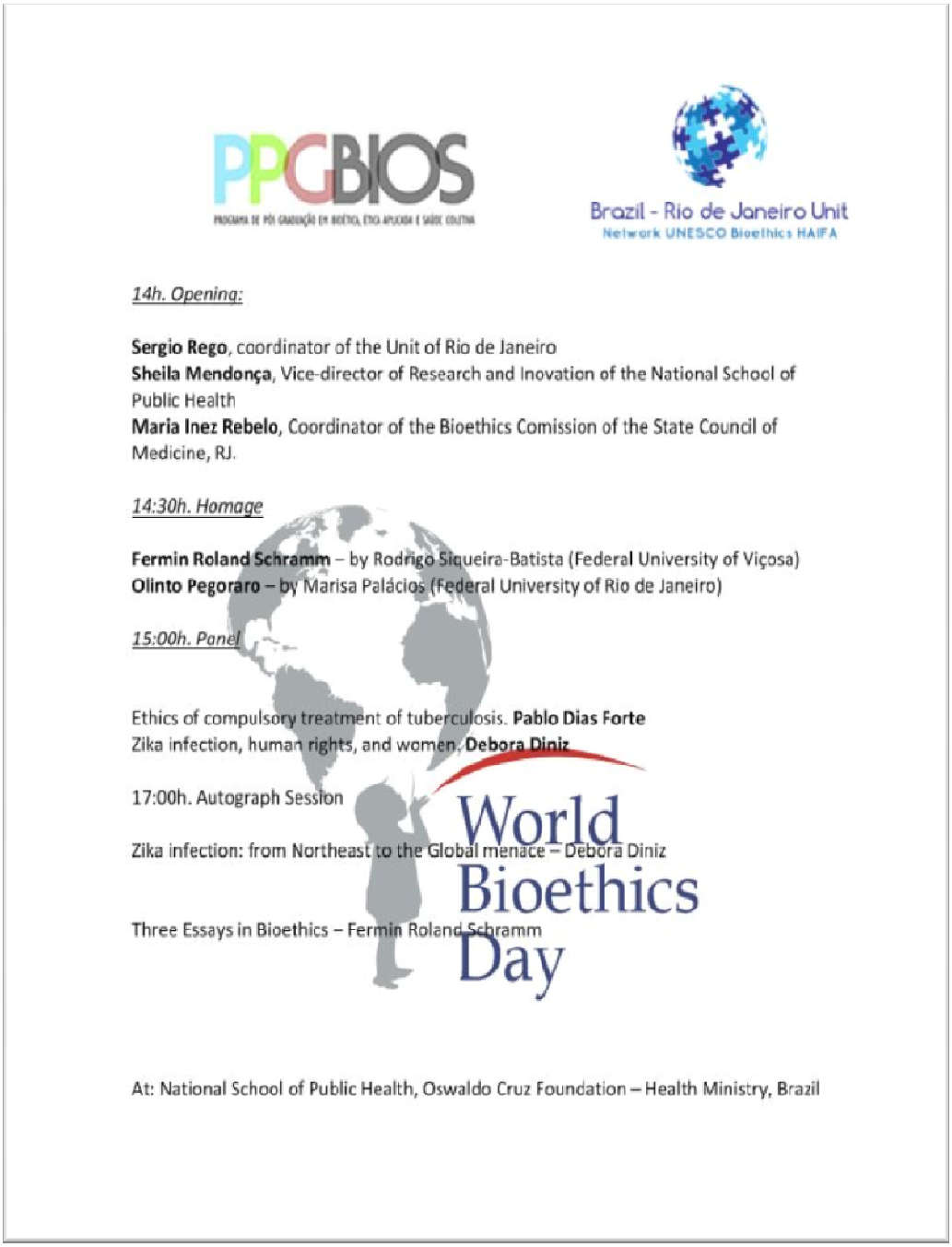
|---|---|
| 9.00 – 9.30 | **Registration and Poster Mounting** |
| 9.30 – 9.45 | **Opening addresses** |
| **Session 1** | **Chairpersons:** *Adlija Čaušević, Fahrudin Kulenović* |
| 9.45 – 10.10 | **Heidi Howard**<br>Centre for Research Ethics & Bioethics, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden<br>*Ethical Issues of New Technologies in Genomics* |
| 10.15 – 10.40 | **Vojin Rakić,**<br>Director of the Center for the Study of Bioethics<br>Head, European Division of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics; Chair, Cambridge Working Group for Bioethics Education; University of Belgrade, Serbia<br>*Current Realities and Prospects of Genetic Testing* |
| 10.45 – 11.10 | **Bogi Eliasen**<br>Head,Danish Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics<br>Copenhagen Institute for Future Studies, Copenhagen, Denmark<br>*Resilience as the Ethical Genomic Guideline* |
| 11.15 – 11.40 | **Sabina Semiz**<br>Head,Bosnia and Herzegovina Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics<br>Genetics and Bioengineering Program, International University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina<br>*Bioethical Perspectives in Personalized Medicine* |
| 11.45 - 12.15 | **COFFEE BREAK AND POSTER VIEWING SESSION** |
| **Session 2** | **Chairpersons:** *Boris Hrobač, Betul Akcesme* |
| 12.15 – 12.40 | **Kasim Bajrović**<br>Institute for Genetic Bioengineering and Biotechnology, University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina<br>*Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) and Biosecurity in Bosnia and Herzegovina – Regulation and Application* |
| 12.45 – 13.10 | **Heidi Howard**<br>Centre for Research Ethics & Bioethics, Uppsala University, Uppsala, Sweden<br>*Ethical, Legal, and Social Issues of Direct-to-Consumer Genetic Testing* |
| 13.15 – 13.40 | **Fahrudin Kulenović**<br>Medical Chamber Canton Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina<br>*Communication Technologies in Medical and Patient-Centered Practice: Pros and Cons* |
| 13.45 – 14.10 | **Boris Hrabač**<br>Faculty of Medicine, University of Mostar, Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina<br>*Legislation on Patients' Rights in the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina* |
| 14.15 - 14.40 | **Faruk Berat Akcesme**<br>Genetics and Bioengineering Program, International University of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina<br>*Early Carrier Researcher Involvements with the Ethical, Legal and Social Implications (ELSI) of Genetic and Genomic Research: Problems and Possible Solutions* |
| 14:45 – 15.00 | **Discussion and Concluding Remarks** |
| 15.00 – 16.00 | **LUNCH** |

## BRAZIL - RIO DE JANEIRO UNIT

*National School of Public Health Sergio Arouca - Oswaldo Cruz*



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*14h. Opening:*

**Sergio Rego**, coordinator of the Unit of Rio de Janeiro
**Sheila Mendonça**, Vice-director of Research and Inovation of the National School of Public Health
**Maria Inez Rebelo**, Coordinator of the Bioethics Comission of the State Council of Medicine, RJ.

*14:30h. Homage*

**Fermin Roland Schramm** – by Rodrigo Siqueira-Batista (Federal University of Viçosa)
**Olinto Pegoraro** – by Marisa Palácios (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro)

*15:00h. Panel*

Ethics of compulsory treatment of tuberculosis. **Pablo Dias Forte**
Zika infection, human rights, and women. **Debora Diniz**

17:00h. Autograph Session

Zika infection: from Northeast to the Global menace – Debora Diniz

Three Essays in Bioethics – Fermin Roland Schramm

World Bioethics Day

At: National School of Public Health, Oswaldo Cruz Foundation – Health Ministry, Brazil

Under the supervision of the Unit Head Prof. Sergio Rego, the opening ceremony for the celebrations of the First World Bioethics Day has seen the participation of Sheila Mendonça, Vice director of Research and Innovation of the National School of Public Health; Maria Inez Rebelo, Coordinator of the Bioethics Commission of the State Council of Medicine, RJ; the Homage to Fermin Roland Schramm by Rodrigo Siqueira-Batista, Federal University of Viçosa and the homage to Olinto Pegoraro by Marisa Palàcios, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro.

Then it followed a panel discussion on ethics of compulsory treatment of tuberculosis by Paoblo Dias Forte and on Zika infection, human right, and women by Debora Diniz who also talked about Zika infection, from Northeast to the Global menace. Then Fermin Roland Schramm has presented three essays in Bioethics.




Audience bioethics day Rio de Janeiro



Debora Diniz—conference human rights – Zika infection woman




Sergio Rego—opening




Roland Schramm –thanking the tribute



Tribute to Olindo Pegoraro tranking



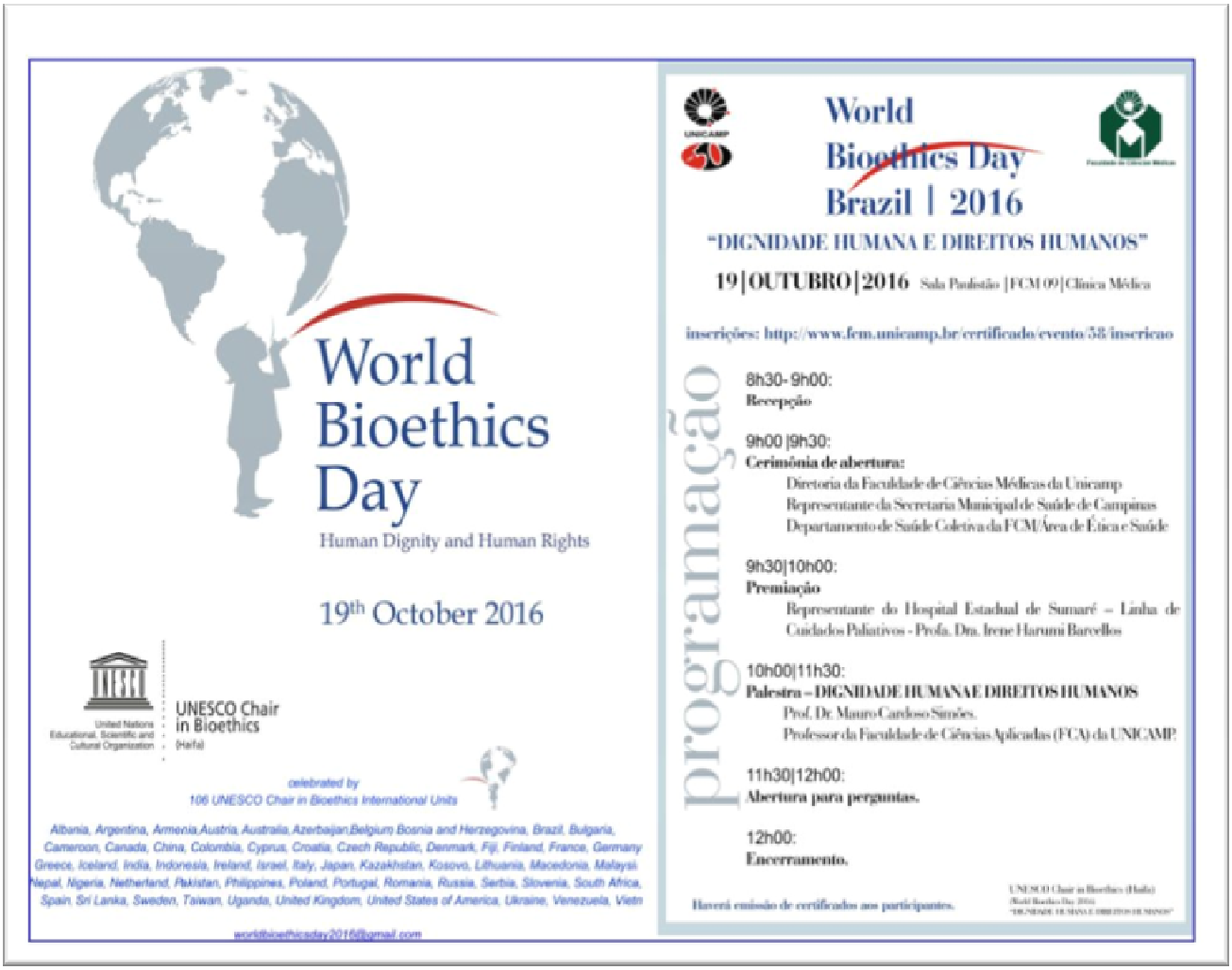
Marisa Palacios and Olinto Pegoraro

## BRAZIL - SAO PAOLO UNIT

*Municipal University of Jundiaí*

Under the supervision of Prof. Dr. José T. Thomé, M.D, Ph.D., Head of the Brazilian Unit, President of the Brazilian Unit of the 'Iberoamerican Ecobioethics Network for Education Science and Technology of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Co- chair of the Section on Disaster Interventions from the W.P.A (World Psychiatric Association) and Chair of the Psychodinamic Course of Intervention in Crises of the Sedes Sapiaentiae Institute of São Paulo, the Brazilian Unit – Sao Paolo has organized activities in the new academic address Medicine School of the Municipal University of Jundiaí. In addition, the Unit has been hiring many different medical and legal groups of Bioethics fields for the creation of new units in Brazil who has taken part in the celebrations for the World Bioethics Day 2016.

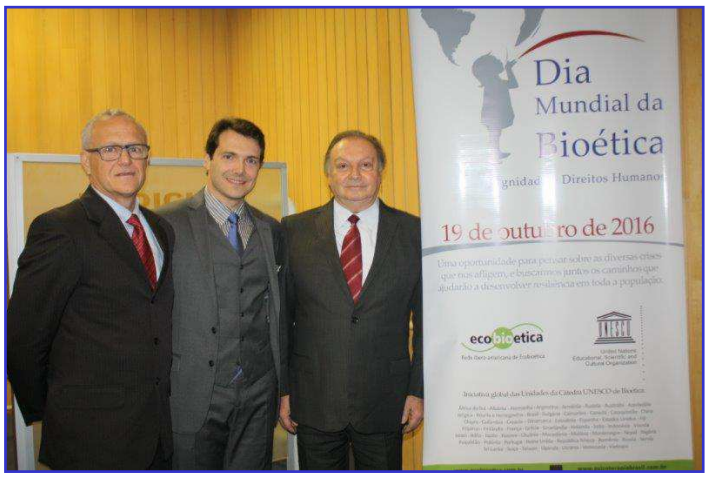
In addition, the Brazil Unit of the Iberoamerican Eco-bioethics Network and the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, with the academic address based on the Medicine School of Jundiaí, held the opening of the III Academic Congress on August 22.



The Head of Unit, Dr. José T. Thomé, presented to the participants the speech Bioethics and Medicine. The event has been followed by a workshop with an edition of the film Grey´s Anatomy published by Iberoamericana Eco-bioethics Network http:// www.eticaycine.org. With the co-head of the Unit, Dr. Ivan Aprahamian, it was celebrated the World Bioethics Day.



View of the audience




From the right side to the left side: Dr. José T. Thomé - Brazil Unit Head, Dr. Ivan Aprahamian – Co-Head, Dr. Evaldo Marchi- Congress President-




From left to right: Dra.Célia Campanaro - Vice-Director of the Jundiaí Medicine School, Dr. Edmir Lourenço – Director of the Medicine School- Board Member of the Unit




Bioethics Day Banner

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Dr. Richard Montgomery - Board member of the Unit-

## BRAZIL - SAO PAOLO UNIT
*University of Campinas*

At the University of Campinas the celebrations have started with the opening speeches by Prof. Ivan Felizardo C. Toro, Dean of the Medical Sciences School; Prof. Carmino Antonio de Souza, Campinas' Secretary of Health; Prof. Flavio Cesar de Sa, Head of the Brazil-Sao Paulo Unit. The award for an active member has been given to Dr. Irene Harumi Barcellos, M.D., Ph.D., for the efforts in the organization of the entire core of disciplines of ethics and bioethics of the University, that have stimulated the participation of new teachers.

The guest lecture has been held by Prof. Leocir Pessini, philosopher, theologian, doctorate in moral technology, post-doctorate in bioethics, General Superior of the Camillians about Bioethics in time of globalization.

With regard to the panel discussion, the participants have been Prof. Venancio Pereira Dantas Filho, Head of the University, Hospital Bioethics Committee and Prof. Roberto Texieira Mendes, Associate Dean of the Medicine Sciences School. The poster exhibition has lasted for 3 hours and the target audience has been under and post graduate students of the University of Campinas and other educational institutions of the metropolitan area.

## BULGARIA UNIT
*Medical University of Sofia*

The World Bioethics Day celebration program was organized by the Bulgarian Bioethics Unit in partnership with the governing body of the Faculty of Public Health and the Medical University of Sofia on 19th October 2016 from 10.00 am. till 16.00 pm., Musala Hall 2, Hilton Hotel, Sofia.

The program was attended by 100 participants with great interest by students and academic teachers. Representatives of national organizations and institutes congratulated the organizers and stated that they will participate more actively in the celebration of the Day of Bioethics in the following years deeply convinced in the importance of bioethics in the medical practice.



The two books translated into Bulgarian language were presented: “Bioethics Core Curriculum” and “The First Syllabus for Youth Bioethics Education”. Students expressed their thanks for the opportunity to study with the books elaborated by prestigious specialists of the International Network on Bioethics.

The Journal “Health Policy and Management” /ISSN 1313-4981/ published the invitation for the WBD in number 2, 3 and 4, 2016. The presentation “Human Dignity and Human Rights”, the messages of congratulation, the posters and flyers will be published in number 1, 2017 of the Journal.

Prof. Vodenicharov, Dean of The Faculty of Public Health was interviewed by the program “A Close Look at Health” of the Bulgarian National Television http://imedia.bnt.bg/predavanyia/zdraveto-otblizo/humanna-nauka-li-e-bioetikata-31-10-2016 /.

The WBD was reflected in a set of articles in newspapers: https://www.24chasa.bg/; zdravennavigator.bg /20.10.2016 and 08.11.2016/; http://www.credoweb.bg/fakultet-po-obshtestveno-zdrave-mu-sofiya-profile-34465.html;http://www.jivotatdnes.bg/news/zdrave/fakultetat-po-obshtestveno-zdrave-kam-mu-sofiya-organizira-diskusiya-za-bioetikata.

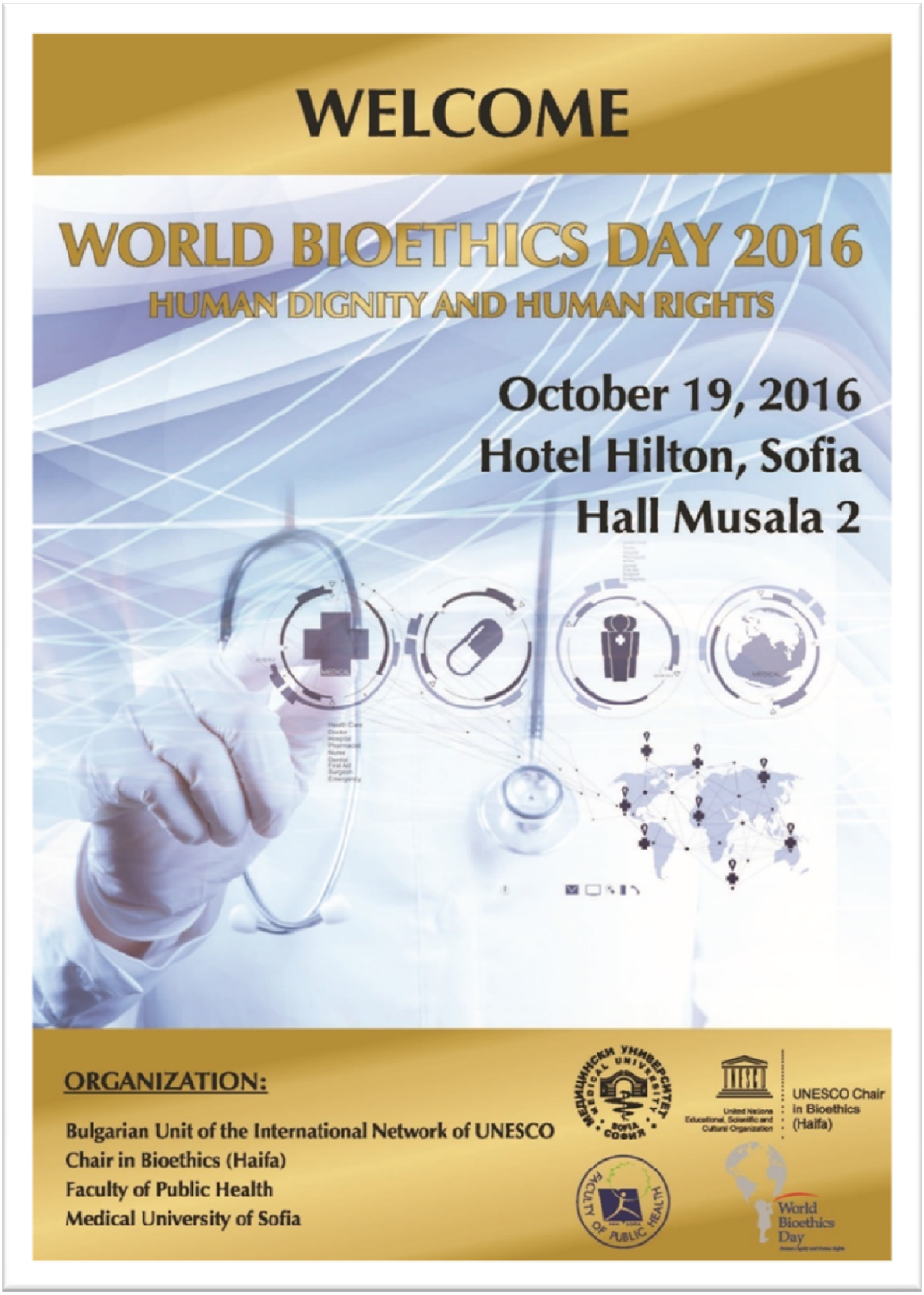
Participants announced during the celebration to go working on bioethics enthusiastically



The World Bioethics Day 2016 “Human Dignity and Human Rights” Bulgarian Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) has seen the participation of Prof. Tzekomir Vodenicharov, MD, PhD, DSc, Dean of Faculty of Public Health, Medical University of Sofia; Prof. Victor Zlatkov, MD, Dsc, Rector of the Medical University of Sofia; Prof. Zlatisa Petrova, Director, Ministry of Health, Executive Agency “Medical Audi; Dr. Ventsislav Grozev, President of Bulgarian Medical Association; Mr. Hristo Grigorov, President of Bulgarian Red Cross; Mrs. Milka Vassileva, President of Bulgarian Association of Health Professionals in Nursing; Assoc. Prof. Staiko Spiridonov, Chairperson of National Society in Health Policy and Management; Prof. Rumen Stefanov, Dean, Faculty of Public Health, Medical University of Plovdiv, the Representative of UNESCO Mrs. Maria Donska, Secretary General, National Commission of Republic of Bulgaria for UNESCO.

There has been a lecture in Bioethics on Human Dignity and Human Rights by Prof. Tzekomir Vodenicharov, MD, PhD, DSc, Dean of Faculty of Public Health, Medical University of Sofia followed by Discussion and Suggestions.

The panel Discussion moderator has been Head of Bulgarian Unit – Prof. Sashka Popova, MD, PhD and the speakers have been Slavian Tamnev – President of Students’ Council, Medical University of Sofia; Spass Karimov – Head of Research Projects, Students’ Council, Medical University of Sofia.
Then there has been the Presentation of “The First Syllabus for Youth Bioethics Education” translated into Bulgarian language.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WORLD BIOETHICS DAY 2016
HUMAN DIGNITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS
October 19, 2016
Hotel Hilton, Sofia
Hall Musala 2
ORGANIZATION:
Bulgarian Unit of the International Network of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)
Faculty of Public Health
Medical University of Sofia
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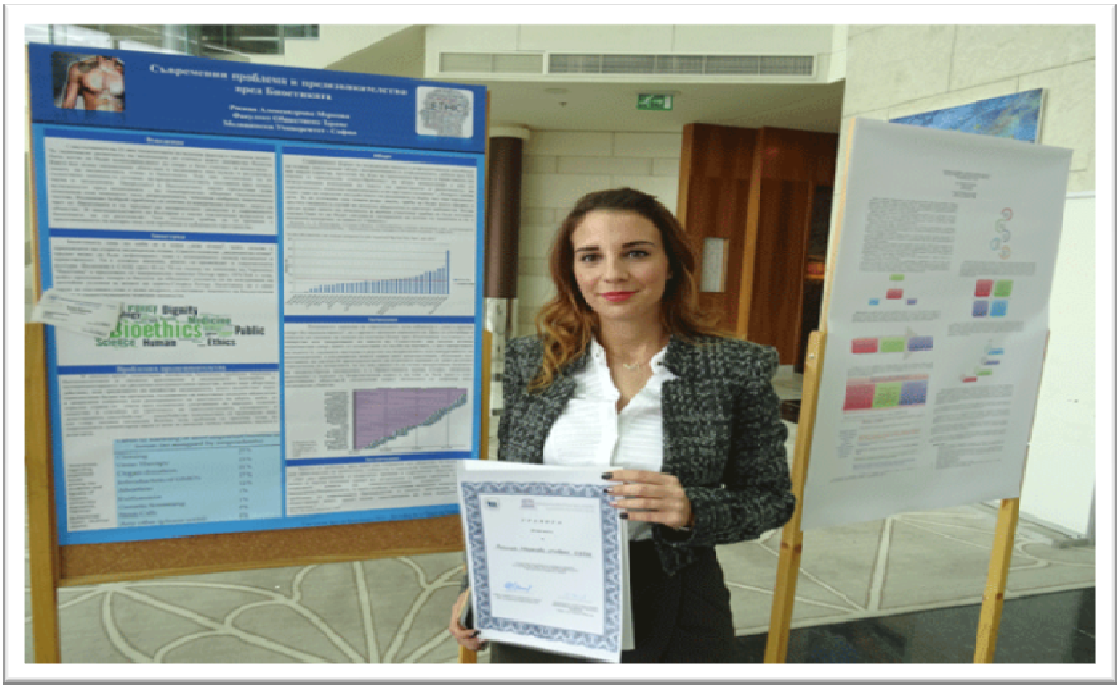
World Bioethics Day

Poster and Flyer Competition:

1/ Students' Competition and Award of Poster and Flyer on Bioethics; Rank First: Katya Korcheva – student in medicine, Medical Faculty, Flyer "Human Dignity and Human Rights"; Rank Second: Rossitsa Markova – student in public health and health management, Faculty of Public Health Poster "Bioethics – Contemporary Problems and Challenges"; 2/ PhD Students' Competition and Award of Poster on Bioethics: Rank First: Momchil Baev – Faculty of Public Health Poster: "Healthcare provision in the context of refugee crisis in Europe"; Rank Second: Emil Spassov – Faculty of Public Health. Poster: "Patients' rights in the primary health care".

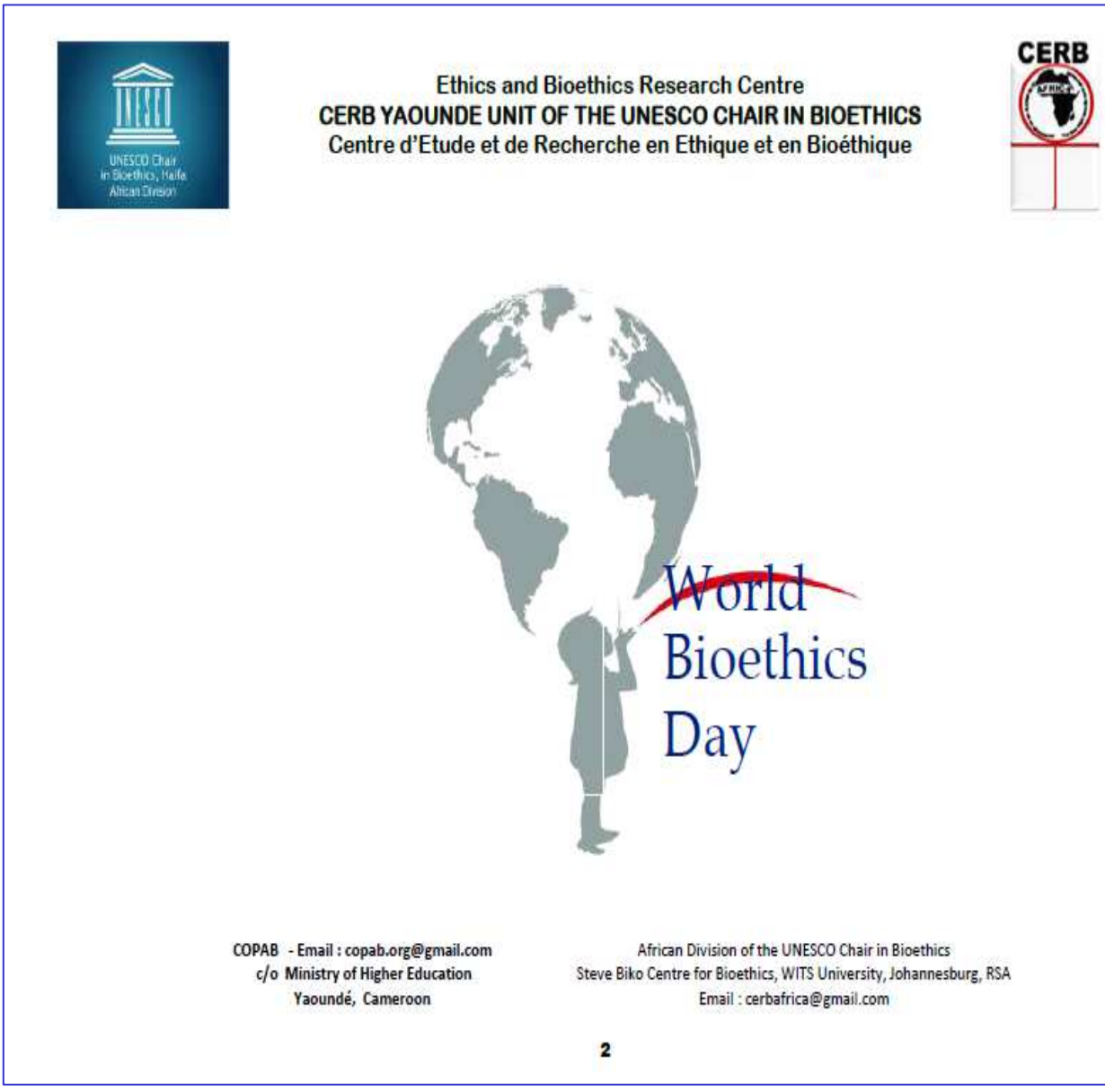




CAMEROON UNIT

*University of Central Africa Group*




Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics of Ethics and Bioethics Research Centre (CERB), likewise the other Units of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics in all the five continents, has celebrated the every first World Bioethics Day on the 14 and 15 November 2016 at Centre Saint – Jean XXIII in Mvolyé, at Yaoundé – Cameroon under the theme: « Human Dignity and Human Rights».

The agenda for that occasion was as in the chart below.

| TIME | HOURS | ACTIVITIES |
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| 14 Nov. 2016 | 10am – 12 :00 | Launching the assessment of the candidates for the African Doctorate School for Bioethics of « Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics » |
| | 12:00 - 12:30 | Announcement of the Celebration at «Special Guest of the Bilingual English and French News at 12» live at Cameroon Radio and Television (CRTV ) Journal's studio (national official Television) |
| | 12.30 - 1.30pm | Lunch Break |
| | 2pm – 4pm | Round Table on the theme « Bioethics in Africa, Human Dignity and Human Rights » |
| | 4pm - 6pm | Opening of the African Doctoral School for Bioethics |
| | | Press Conference on the occasion of the celebration of the first World Bioethics Day at «Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics » under the theme « Bioethics in Africa : stakes, record and prospects » |
| | 6pm – 6.30pm | Cocktail |
| 15 Nov. 2016 | 12:00 – 02:00 pm | Adoption of the report to the attention of the World Organization Committee of the WBD 2016 by the « Steering Committee » of Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics. |
| | 04:00 pm – 04:45 | Report of the Celebration at "Special Guest of the program « News » of the private television VISION 4 TV, live from its studios in Yaoundé. |

*Launching the assessment of the candidates for the African Doctorate School for Bioethics of «Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics».* It was to initiate the recruitment of candidates for the Master of Education and Research in Ethics and Bioethics for training in the African Doctoral School in Bioethics of Yaoundé.

Chaired by the Director of the Department of Medical Sciences of African Doctoral School in Bioethics of Yaoundé, Professor Geneviève BENGONO TOURE, assisted by the Director of the Department of Theology and Religious Sciences, Professor Rev. Jean Samuel ZOE OBIANGA, and Professor Pierre EFFA, Director of the department of Bioethics, and by the Permanent Secretary of Scientifics Committee of CERB, Doctor Emmanuel Richard DIPOKO DIBOTTO, all of them permanent members of the Steering Committee of Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, the jury has auditioned the candidates on Knowledge about their professional field or training; Their aptitudes and contributions to research, including their publications; Their motivations, including their availability for the promotion of ethics and bioethics; Their mastering of the two Cameroon national languages, they are English and French ; and the consideration of universal African values in everyday life.

Five candidates have been selected. See photograph and CV.

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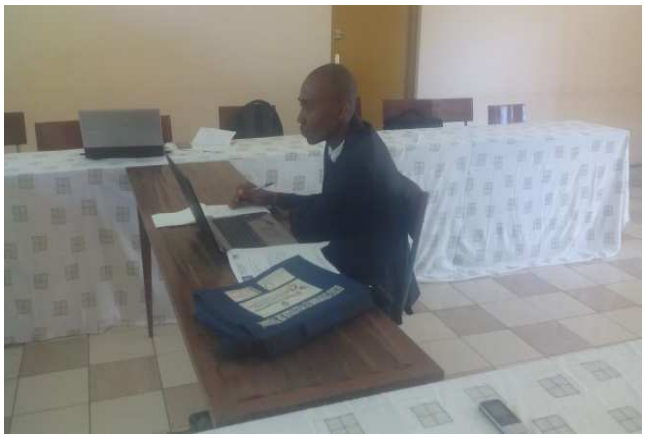
|  |  |
| DOH Gilbert NDEH, Master in Biomedical Sc. Ph Dising in Biomedical Sciences | Loïc NKULU ATANGANA, Master in Political Sc. Ph Dising in Political Sciences |
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| Théodore MOUKOUNE ELOMBE, Master in Philosophy Ph Dising in Philosophy | Clovis OMGBA, Bachelor in Communication Sc. Mastering in Communication Sc. |

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| Daniel EBOUTE, Master in Philosophy<br>Ph Dising in Philosophy | EVALUATING TEAM |

*Announcement of the celebration of the World Bioethics Day 2016 in live on the national television.*

The Head of Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics was the special guest of the bilingual TV news in French and English at 12 o'clock on November 14, 2016 at the national television, CRTV.

*About the Round Table on the theme «Bioethics in Africa, Human Dignity and Human Rights»*

The students in philosophy of Teaching High School of Yaoundé I University where the greater number of the of the listeners of this performance of the celebration.

Chaired by the Head of Unit and Director of the Steering Committee, Professor Pierre EFFA, the Round Table was performed in two articulations: the conference on the theme above and the debates thereto.

The definition of Bioethics in general and its African conception in particular, specially its cultural bases were the initial remarks.

The speaker, Théodore MOUKOUNE ELOMBE, a philosophy Ph Dising and one of the doctoral candidates of African Doctoral School in Bioethics of Yaoundé has enlighted the audience on the main African community tools for the defence of life. These are the Ankh, the Maat, hospitality, the conception of the community, marriage, matriarchy.

The debates preferably focussed on the nature of African Palaber, the matriarchy, the cultural foundations of civilizations, the effectiveness of the defence of life by the Africans as community reality for the preservation of human dignity and the defence of Human Rights.

The African Palaber is not a conflict relation between people or groups but rather a place of exchange for the management of the communities, to elaborate consensus and a platform for peace building and the promotion of living together.

The meaning of the concept of matriarchy as the manifestation the empowering of woman, as the mother of humanity has been explained, with an emphasis on its protective role for the fragile subjects, disabled of all kinds in communities.

The effectiveness of the defence of life by the Africans has been initially challenged by some participants. Drawing on history, anthropology, linguistics, culture of communities and news, including the concept of Ubuntu derived from a Zulu language from South Africa and the phrase Bisônabisô of the Lingala language in the Democratic Republic of Congo, the panel of Steering Committee members has, by specific examples, made it possible to raise the equivocal.

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| The speaker Théodore MOUKOUNE ELOMBE | View of the participants |

*Press Conference of the Steering Committee on the occasion of the celebration of the first World Bioethics Day at «Yaoundé CERB Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics» under the theme «Bioethics in Africa: stakes, record and prospects » with the Opening of the African Doctoral School for Bioethics.*

The Press Conference on the occasion of the celebration of the every first World Bioethics Day at Yaoundé CERB Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics started by the declaration of the opening of the African Doctoral School for Bioethics y the Head of the Unit, President of Council of CERB, and President of COPAB.

The introductory statement presented the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics of Haifa, in Israël and his Units disseminated in all the five continents, more details allowed the participants to know the two Units of the African Division of the Chair.

There are located in Steve Biko Centre for Bioethics of WITS University based in Johannesburg and the «Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics», in the Ethics and Bioethics Research Centre (CERB) in Yaoundé. COPAB and these two reference bioethics research centres are implementing the African Bioethics Consortium (ABC) to integrate other African research centres in ethics and Units of the UNESCO Chair in African soil and reinforce the African Division of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haïfa.

Then he broadly presented the famous names of the History of the African Movement for Ethics and Bioethics. He specifically magnified late Father Professor Engelbert MVENG, Jesuit Father of venerable memory; he also presented one of his fellow fighter in the settling of the African ovement for Ethics and Bioethics, Reverend Professor Jean Samuel ZOE OBIANGA, a Pastor in the Presbyterian Church of Cameroon. He is the Director of the Department of Theology and Religious Sciences and permanent member of the Steering Committee of Yaoundé CERB Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics.

The development of the Pan African Congress for Ethics and Bioethics (COPAB) and its achievements preceded the question-and-answer game with the press, written and spoken and TV media. The broadcast on the subject has continued throughout the week in the press, written and spoken and TV media.

TOURE; Rev. Prof. Jean Samuel ZOE OBIANGA; Prof. Hubert MONO NDJANA and Dr. Emmanuel Richard DIPOKO DIBOTTO.

It has been an interview of the Head of Unit at the program « News » of the private television VISION 4 TV, live from 04pm to 04:45 pm on November 15, 2016, in the studios of the private television VISION 4 TV. The subject: the record of the celebration of the every first World Bio-ethics Day, and the interest for the citizen lamba in bioethics namely for this celebration.







## COLOMBIA—BOGOTA' UNIT

*Bioethics Institute, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana*

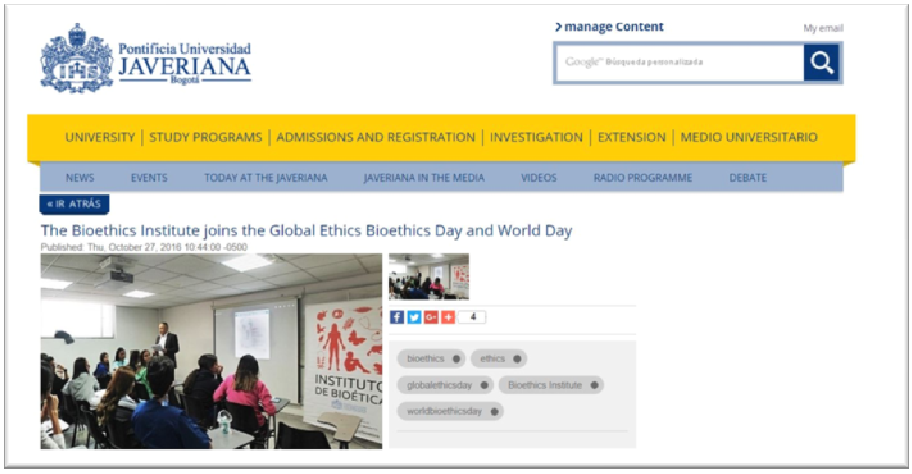
The Unit, whose Head is Prof. Andrea Hellemeyer, hashad a series of debates and workshops related to the process of peace that is taking place in Colombia.

By the Institute of Bioethics, and within the framework of both international days, Professor Nelson Castañeda gave a special class to students of medicine at the Javeriana University, whose theme was "The fundamental right to health and clinical bioethics".

During the session, he discussed with students basics of critical constitutionalism in the field of health, distributive justice and access to services that meet the standards of the arts medical lex in the context of an inspired values relevant practice the citizen.




Here there is the link to see the photos of the event.: http://www.javeriana.edu.co/noticias/noticias?aID=7916711&tID=22767#.WBIic-DNy00




The guest lecture has been given by Eduardo Rueda, MD. Phd. Director of the Bioethics Institute on the theme “Social Politics and Peace Culture”.

The following panel discussion has seen the participation of Claudia Tovar Guerra, who has talked about the “Psychosocial programs for children and youth victims of the armed conflict” and Paula Ospina on the theme “Forgiveness policies in the post-conflict scenario”.

The event has been enriched by other activities like the students’ posters exhibition that has taken place on October 19th in the auditorium of the Bioethics Institute for a target audience made by Professors and Master Students and the essay writing competition that has taken place among the students of the Master in Bioethics from August 15th to October 10 and whose winner has been announced on October 19th.

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## COLOMBIA—BOGOTA' UNIT

*Universidad Nacional de Colombia Medellín*

The Unit Head Ariel Marcel Tarazona Morales will lead the opening speech on Education in bio-ethics and amplification of the circles of empathy.



With regard to the Essay Writing Competition, the opening contest has been made public in April, had been receiving written until June 30th, during the July there has been the evaluation aimed at choosing the winner.



# DÍA MUNDIAL DE LA BIOÉTICA

| Hora | Actividad | Ponente |
|---|---|---|
| 8:00 am | Recuperar los valores: asunto prioritario para la humanidad | Ariel Marcel Tarazona<br>Universidad Nacional de Colombia<br>International Network of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics |
| 8:30 am | El papel de la medicina | Luz Ángela Carvajal Posada<br>VIAVIDA |
| 9:00 am | Ruralidad y sujeto campesino, una cuestión de dignidad. | Yohan Chalarcá Palacios<br>Corporación Universitaria Uniremington |
| 9:30 am | La dignidad humana en las personas en situación de calle | John Wilson Osorio<br>Director Departamento de Humanidades<br>Universidad CES |
| 10:00 am | El papel de la relación del ser humano con los animales y la naturaleza | Luz Helena Henao<br>Facultad de Derecho y Ciencias Políticas<br>Universidad de Antioquia |
| 10:30 am | | Receso |
| 10:45 am | Panel de reflexión y conclusiones | |

La Dignidad y los Derechos Humanos en la Medicina, la Ruralidad y la Ciudad

**Fecha: 19 de Octubre de 2016**
**Hora: 8:00 a.m.**
**Lugar: Aula Máxima Facultad de Ciencias Agrarias // Bloque 11-2do Piso**

**Informes**
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The celebrations have taken place at the Aula Máxima. Facultad de Ciencias Agrarias.



## COLOMBIA—VILLAVICENCIO UNIT

*Universidad De Los Llanos*

Under the supervision of its Head, Prof. Gina Lorena García in Villavicencio the event was celebrated with a very positive balance.

220 participants gathered in the Auditorium "Eduardo Carranza" to talk and reflect about the central theme of the World Bioethics Day: Human Rights and Human Dignity.



Dr. José Miray Saavedra, Vice President of Resourses of the University of Llanos, made opening of the event alluding to the importance of celebrating it in the world and the region, and its context with the process of the dialogues of peace which are currently carried out in Colombia.

Then, the Dean of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resourses, Mr. Carlos Hernando Colmenares, spoke emphasizing in the development of these activities in the University.

Then, Dr. Gina Lorena García as Head of the Colombian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, spoke for the opening expressing her joy to the celebration and talking about the goals of this celebration around the world, which allow us to reflect on important issues such as human dignity and human rights.

Colombia also requires this type of conversations especially in these cyclical moments when Colombia is calling for peace and cessation of war and armed conflict that has been happening for more than 50 years.

The first conference was presented by Dr. Neftali David Suárez, Philosopher. PhD in Philosophy. Cuban nationality and based in Colombia for more than 5 years. Professor of the Universidad Javeriana. His lecture was titled: “Bioethics and human rights: confrontation and complementarity between two paradigms”.




The second conference “Bioethics at the service of the stable and lasting place” was made by Dr. Gilberto Cely Galindo, degree in Philosophy and Letters. Degree In Theology. Master´s degree in moral theology. Studies of sociology.

The third conference was presented by Dra. Lucía Esperanza Másmela. PhD in Veterinary Medicine. Postgraduate studies at the University of Wisconsin, USA, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Universidad de los Andes. President of the Colombian Academy of Veterinary Sciences, with the paper: “Food sovereignty as an element of bioethics”.




At the end of the presentations there was a panel of questions and dissertations on the topic. Students and teachers were part on the reflection around human rights and human dignity and their relation with peace in Colombia.

Thanks are expressed to the Committee of bioethics of the University of the Llanos, the Colombian Academy of Veterinary Sciences, the group study of Animal Welfare, the research group of ELITE, and the students and professors of the University of Llanos for their participation in this event.



# DÍA MUNDIAL DE LA BIOÉTICA



## World Bioethics Day

Dignity and Human Rights

19th October 2016

UNESCO
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)

Director Prof. Amnon Carmi

*Celebrated by*
*104 UNESCO Chair in Bioethics International Units in*

Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijian, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Camerron, Canada, China, Colombia, Croatia, Cyprus, Czechia, Denmrk, Fiji, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kasakhistan, Kosovo, Lithuania, Macedonia, Malaysia, Nepal, Nigeria, Netherlands, Pakistan, Philippines, Portugal, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Sweden, Taiwan, Uganda, United Kingdom, Ukraine, United States of America, Venezuela, Vietnam

**19 de Octubre de 2016**
**Hora: 8:30 a.m. / ENTRADA LIBRE**
**Lugar: Universidad de los Llanos. Auditorio Eduardo Carranza, Sede Barcelona**

## CYPRUS UNIT

The Cyprus University of Technology (CUT) under the supervision of the Head of the Unit, Prof. Andrie Panayiotou, has opened the WBD celebration with the greetings of Prof. Andreas Anayiotos, Rector of CUT, Prof. Nicos Middleton, Dean of School of Health Sciences and Dr. Andrie Panayiotou, Assistant Professor in Public Health and Head of Unit.




The opening speech has been cured by Prof. Constantinos Fellas, chair of the Cyprus National Bioethics Committee, who has talked about the importance of Bioethics in research.

The Cyprus Unit has also organized invited lectures by eminent academics in Bioethics, like Achilleas Emilianides, Department of Law, University of Nicosia; Elena Kleanthous, Department of Nursing, Cyprus University of Technology; Melina Evripidou, Department of Nursing, Cyprus University of Technology and Andreas Tifas, Larnaca General Hospital.

After the lessons there has been the presentation of the award to the winner of the national competition for best poster by the Head of Unit and the sponsor, Medochemie LTD: the award is a 500 euro check to be presented to Kyriacos Papaspyrou. In addition, it is organized the screening of the short film prepared by the Italian students on human dignity to be followed by a discussion open to the audience.



Ημερίδα Παγκόσμιας Ημέρας Βιοηθικής

Αίθουσα Εκδηλώσεων Μητρόπολης Λεμεσού | Τετάρτη, 19 Οκτωβρίου 2016

*«Ανθρώπινη Αξιοπρέπεια και Ανθρώπινα Δικαιώματα»*

Πρόγραμμα Ημερίδας

- 09:00 - 09:30: Εγγραφές
- 09:30 – 09:45: Χαιρετισμοί
  - Δρ. Άντρη Γιαναγιώτου / *Επίκουρη καθηγήτρια, ΤΕΠΑΚ / Επικεφαλής κυπριακής Μονάδας Βιοηθικής*
  - Καθ. Νίκος Μίλλετταν / *Αναπληρωτής καθηγητής, ΤΕΠΑΚ / Κοσμήτωρας Σχολής Επιστημών Υγείας*
  - Καθ. Αντρέας Αναγιωτός / *Πρύτανης, ΤΕΠΑΚ*
- 09:45 – 10:30: Κεντρική ομιλία
  - «Η σημασία της Βιοηθικής στην έρευνα»

    Καθ. Κωνής Φελλάς, *Πρόεδρος Εθνικής Επιτροπής Βιοηθικής*
- 10:30 – 10:40: Απονομή Βραβείου σχεδιασμού αφίσας για την Παγκόσμια Ημέρα Βιοηθικής από τη Medochemie Ltd.
- 10:40 - 12:20: Επιστημονικές ομιλίες:
  - «Δικαίωμα στην Υγεία: Μια Νοσηλευτική προσέγγιση»

    Ανδρέας Τίφας, Παθολογική και Καρδιολογική Κλινική ΝΑΜΙ ΙΙΙ Λάρνακα
  - «Δικαιώματα ασθενών στις Μονάδες Εντατικής Θεραπείας»

    Έλενα Κλεάνθους, *ΤΕΠΑΚ*
  - «Ηθικό Πλαίσιο στη φροντίδα ασθενών με Άνοια»

    Μελίνα Ευριπίδου, *ΤΕΠΑΚ*
  - «Η Θεμελίωση της συγγένειας με τη μητέρα στην περίπτωση δανεισμού μήτρας και η επιταγή του Άρθ. 8 ΕΣΔΑ για σεβασμό της ιδιωτικής και οικογενειακής ζωής»

    Νικόλαος Κουμουτζής, *Παν. Λευκωσίας*
  - «Ατομική Αυτονομία. Βασικό ανθρώπινο δικαίωμα.»

    Ανδρέας Προκοπίου, *Παν. Λευκωσίας*
- 12:20 – 12:45: Διάλειμμα για καφέ
- 12:45 – 13:00: Προβολή σύντομου φιλμ για την ανθρώπινη αξιοπρέπεια και δικαιώματα
- 13:00 – 14:00: Ανοικτή συζήτηση
- 14:00: Κλείσιμο Επιστημονικής Ημερίδας




Πτυχές Δικαιωμάτων Ασθενών


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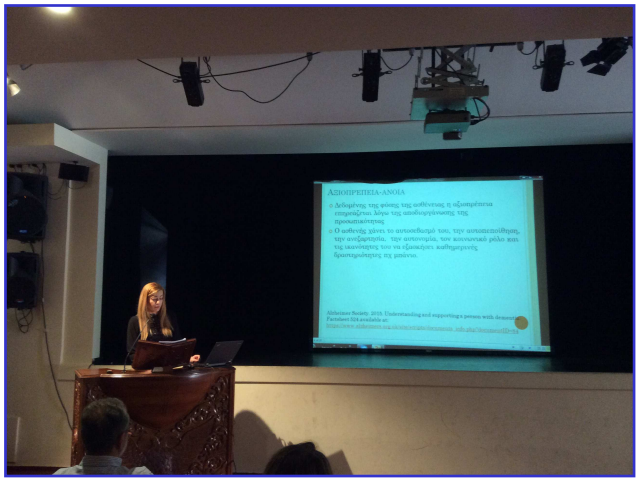
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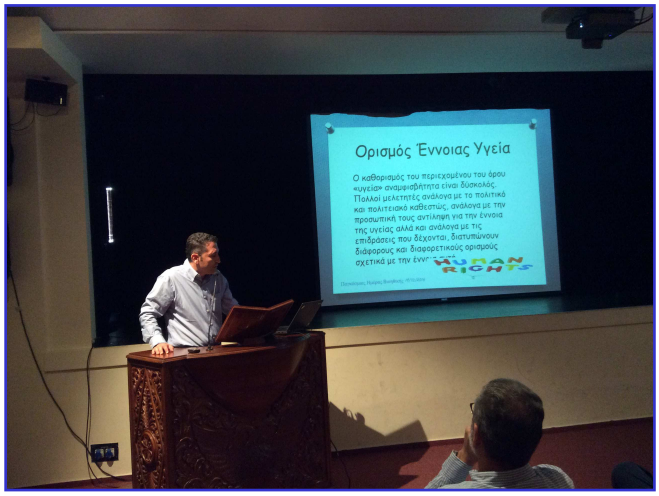
Ορισμός Έννοιας Υγεία
Ο καθορισμός του περιεχομένου του όρου «υγεία» αναμφισβήτητα είναι δύσκολος. Πολλοί μελετητές ανάλογα με το πολιτικό και πολιτειακό καθεστώς, ανάλογα με την προσωπική τους αντίληψη για την έννοια της υγείας αλλά και ανάλογα με τις επιδράσεις που δέχονται, διατυπώνουν διάφορους και διαφορετικούς ορισμούς σχετικά με την έννοι
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## CROATIA UNIT

### *University of Zagreb Law School*

The Croatian Unit has organized celebrations for the World Bioethics Day which included a debate and some lectures, under the supervision of its Head, Dr. Sc. Sunčana Roksandić Vidlička, Pravni fakultet Sveučilišta u Zagrebu / University of Zagreb Law School. The place has been Zagreb, Croatia, Faculty of Law, Council Hall, Trgmaršala Tita 14, Zagreb.

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The ceremony of the World Bioethics Day began with the welcome address by **Prof. dr. sc. Jasenko Marin**, Vice-dean of the Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb:



The Opening speech was held by **doc. dr. sc. Sunčana Roksandić Vidlička**, Head of the Croatian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics:



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Then there has been the session titled: Contemporary topics in Croatian medical law and bioethics with prof.dr.sc. Ante Čović, Head of the Centre of Excellence in integrative bioethics, vice-rector, University of Zagreb who talked about Integrative bioethics - Contemporary Challenges; prof.dr.sc. Jozo Čizmić, Faculty of Law, University of Split on Development of medical law in Croatia and prof.dr.sc. Velinka Grozdanić, Faculty of Law, University of Rijeka on Bioethics and People with Mental Disabilities. The local representative of UNESCO Chair prof.dr.sc. Iris Golder Lang, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb has talked about Bioethics and European Law.

The guest lecture by eminent expert prof.dr.sc. Ksenija Turković, judge, European Court of Human Rights has been about Bioethics, Human dignity and ECHR.

The Book promotion: Hrestomatija Hrvatskoga medicinskog prava has been cured by prof.dr.sc. Ksenija Turković, prof.dr.sc. Nikoleta Radionov, prof.dr.sc. Darko Polšek, prof.dr.sc. VladoJukić.



The commentators of the student debate competition were three Executive Board members of the Croatian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics - **prof. dr. sc. Ana Borovečki, prof. dr. sc. Hrvoje Jurić** and **dr. sc. Aleksandar Maršavelski**. They gave their speeches after the students presented their arguments in the debate:

The debate Competition: Human Dignity and Human Rights: The rights of unborn child has been introduced by prim. dr. sc. Vladimir Blagaić, Clinic of Gynecology and Obstetrics Medical School University of Zageb, KB Sveti duh, Zagreb and participants have been many students from Medical School, Faculty of Philosophy, Faculty of Catholic Theology, Faculty of Law.

Here the names and titles of the participants: Mislav Mikac, Jadrana Marelja, Maša Mazalin, Valentina Cikojević, Roni Rengel (Grupa I A, Dobrobitnerođenogdjetetavažnija je od pravamajke); Janko Havaš, Domagoj Dananić, Lidija Knorr, Lena Kuzmanović, Maja Vejić (Grupa I B, Pravamajkevažnijasu od doborobitidjeteta); Marin Golubović, Boren Petrinec, David Jakovljević, Luka Janeš, Luka Poslon (Grupa II A: Liječniksmijezavrijemeporodastavitipravanerođenogdjetetaispredpravamajke); Petra Lištica, StjepanŠikoronja, Ana Juzepović, Luka Perušić, David Martić (Grupa II B: Liječnik ne smijezavrijemeporodastavitipravanerođenogdjetetaispredpravamajke)

The commentators have been prof.dr.sc. Ana Borovečki, Medical School, University of Zagreb, prof. dr. sc. Hrvoje Jurić, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Zagreb, prof.dr.sc. Aleksandra Korać Graovac, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, dr.sc. Aleksandar Maršavelski, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb.

It has been also given the award for the best student papers: (Medical School, Faculty of Philosophy, Faculty of Catholic Theology, Faculty of Law) and it was organized the presentation of the Poster applied for student competition of the Units (Boren Petrinec, Stjepan Šikoronja).

Finally, there have been presented future projects by dr.sc. Svetlana Paramonova, senior scientific researcher, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, NEWFELPRO Project Bioethics and criminal law: The Role of ECtHR in setting standards for the protection of human rights.

## CZECH REPUBLIC UNIT

### *Institute of State and Law of Czech Academy of Sciences*

The Czech Unit under the supervision of its head, Prof. Tomáš Doležal has celebrated the World Bioethics Day at the Institute of State and Law of Czech Academy of Sciences with an opening speech by the Director of the Institute, Prof. Jan Matejka, followed by the interventions by Dr. Radek Policar, Ministry of Health and Prof. Tomáš Doležal who has talked about challenging issues in medical law and bioethics.

The guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics has been given by Prof. Josef Kuře on “Bioethics: questions and answers”. It has also been organized a Panel Discussion on Euthanasia with Dr David Černý, Dr. Adam Doležal; Dr. Josef Kuře. Among the additional plans it is foreseen a conference organized with the kind support of Ministry of Health and Faculty of Medicine, Charles University.

Additional plans have included a scientific workshop on the principle of double effect in the law and ethics (Prague, 27 October) and a conference organized with the support of Ministry of Health: Vaccination and responsibility (Prague, 7 December).

## FINLAND UNIT

Many bioethics personalities have taken part into the celebrations for the World Bioethics Day in Finland, that has been opened by the speech of Associate Professor and Head of the Unit Helena Siipi, followed by the interventions by Professor Eerik Lagerspetz and Rosa Rantanen.



**Maailman Bioetiikkapäivän seminaari**

**Ihmisarvo ja ihmisoikeudet – me ja muut**

**Ke 19.10.2016 klo 12.00 – 15.30**

**Turun yliopisto, Auditorio Edu1 (Educarium-rakennus 1krs., Assistentinkatu 5)**

Ohjelma:

12.00 Dosentti Helena Siipi: Avaussanat
12.05 Dekaani Jukka Hyönä: Yliopiston tervehdys
12.15 **Pääesitelmä:** KELAn johtava ylilääkäri Ilona Autti-Rämö: *Lasten suojellun etiikka - lastenneurologin näkökulma*
13.15 Pääsihteeri Rosa Rantanen: UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Suomen yksikön edustajan puhe ja bioetiikan saralla ansioituneen henkilön palkitseminen
13.25 Tutkija Heikki Saxen: Palkitun puheenvuoro
13.40 – 14.00 Tauko
14.00 **Paneelikeskustelu: Me ja muut – miten kohtaamme toiset?**
Oikeustieteen professori Juha Lavapuro: *Universaalit ihmisoikeudet jokaisen oikeuksina*
Hoitotieteen dosentti Lauri Kuosmanen: *Psykiatrinen pakkohoito ja ihmisoikeudet*
Terveystieteiden tohtori Anne Heikkinen: *Syömishäiriötä sairastavien oikeus hoitoon. Toteutuuko?*
Tutkijatohtori Matti Näsi: *Internet ja arjen viha*
15.25 Dosentti Helena Siipi: Loppusanat

World Bioethics Day

19th October 2016

**Mikä on maailman bioetiikkapäivä?**
Ensimmäisenä maailman bioetiikkapäivänä 19.10.2016 kaikissa *UNESCO Chair in Bioethics* -verkoston 130 maayksikössä järjestetään seminaari aiheesta *Human Dignity and Human Rights – Ihmisarvo ja ihmisoikeudet*. Päivän tavoitteena on muistuttaa bioeettisten kysymysten tärkeydestä ja edistää niiden ratkaisemista hyödyntävää toimintaa.

The award for the active member has been given to Prof. Polaris Koi, doctoral student, for the organization of the student symposium.
Professor Ilona Autti-Ramo has given the guest lecture as eminent personality in Bioethics, followed by the panel discussion on the theme “We and others: human rights and different individuals”.
The panel discussion has been about several interesting themes, like Involuntary treatment (Speaker: Lauri Kuosmanen); Human rights and basic rights (Speaker: Prof. Juha Lavapuro); vulnerable persons’ rights (Speaker: Anne Heikkinen)

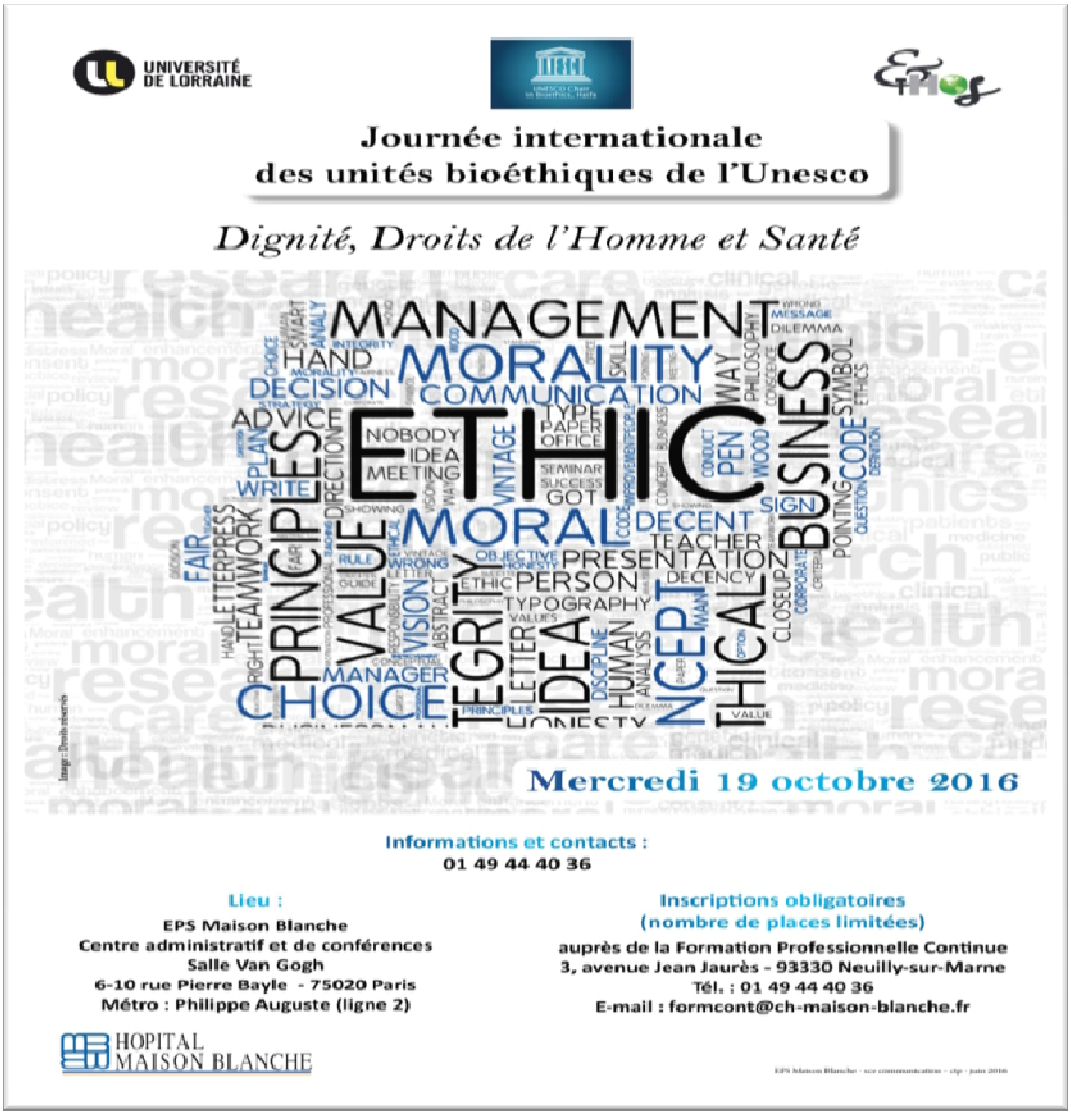
## FRANCE UNIT

Prof Henry Coudane, Head of the French Unit, has guided the celebrations for the World Bioethics Day in Paris at the Centre Administratif de Maison –Blanche on the 19th October 2016.

The French Unit has celebrated this first day meeting with a lot of success. More than 100 participants were present: teachers and students in medicine and nursing sciences participated to debates and discussion on human dignity and human rights. with lot of interest .

The poster competition was won by 4 high school students from the training sections of health professions. This augurs well for the awareness to bioethics from these young health professionals.

All the members of the team of the French Unit of the Bioethics Chair of UNESCO are fascinated by this first success. An evaluation form for the day will soon be available for all participants.

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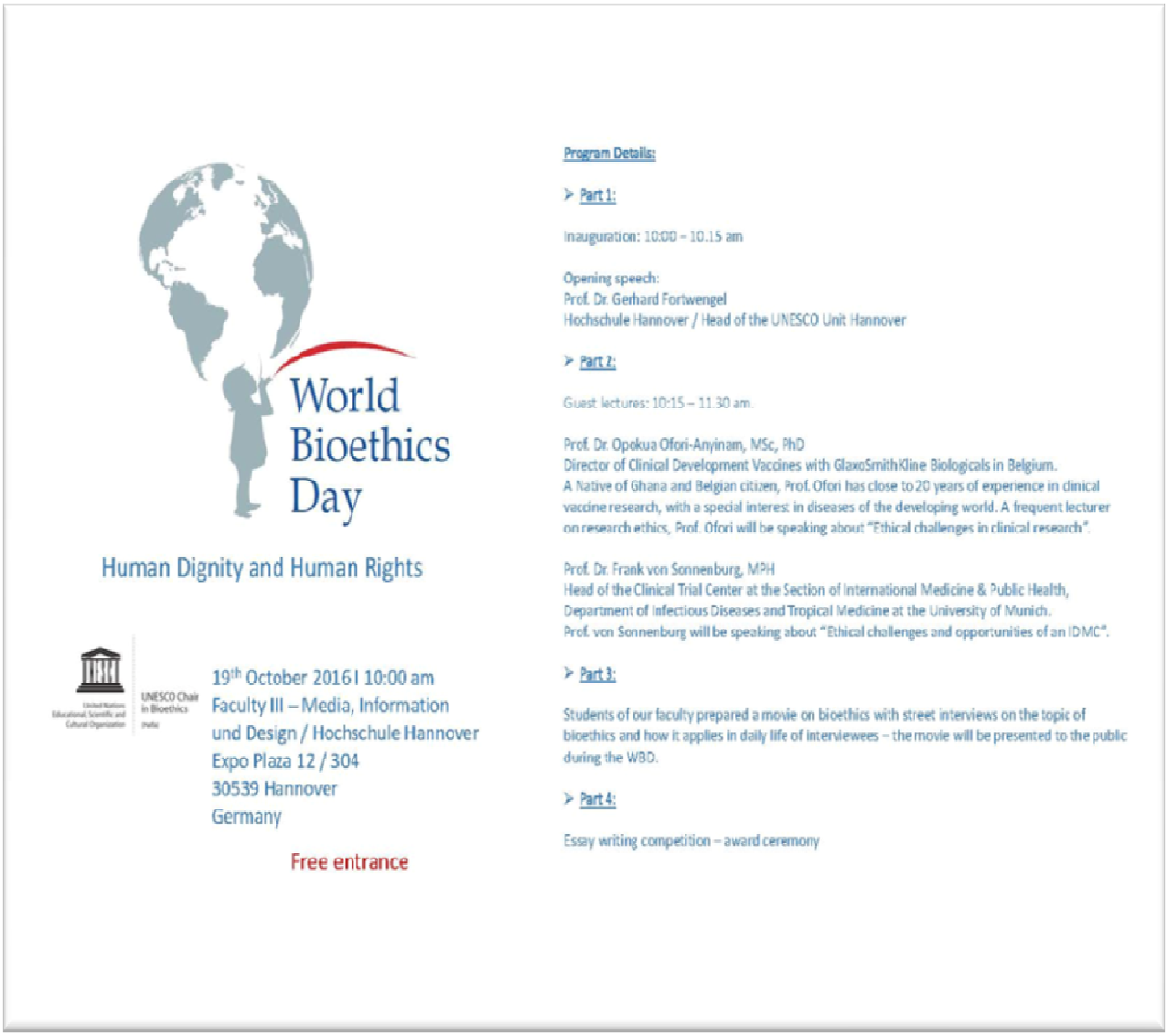
## GERMAN UNIT

*University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Hannover*

The German Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics at Hochschule Hannover organized World Bioethics Day on 19th October 2016 on the theme of "Human Dignity and Human Rights".




This event was part of celebration of World Bioethics Day world over.

This event was very well attended by over 150 people including bachelor and masters students, faculty members, and supporting staff.

Program started with a brief introduction by Prof. Dr. Gerhard Fortwengel about the German Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, it's objectives and plans.



Portrait Prof. Dr. Gerhard Fortwengel [OeM/Braunschädel]

This was followed by the first session of Prof. Dr. Frank von Sonnenburg, MPH, head of the Clinical Trial Center at the Section of International Medicine & Public Health, Department of Infections Diseases and Tropical Medicine at the University of Munich. He spoke about Dengue disease, vaccine development and public health challenges. His talk was very well appreciated by students and they had interaction through question answer session.



Second session was conducted by Prof. Dr. Opokua Ofori Anyinam, MSc, PhD, is Director of Clinical Development Vaccines with GlaxoSmithKline Biologicals in Belgium. She has 20 years of experience in clinical vaccine research, with a special interest in diseases of the developing world.

She spoke about "Ethical challenges in clinical research" with a focus on the developing world. H er talk was very practical and informative to all the students. It helped the students understand what they learn during their regular courses.



Prof. Dr. Frank von Sonnenburg delivering a talk.



Participants listening to Bioethics Day lectures



Prof. Dr. Nadia Tornieporth interacting with Prof. Dr. Sonnenburg



Prof. Dr. Opokua Ofori-Anyinam delivering a talk

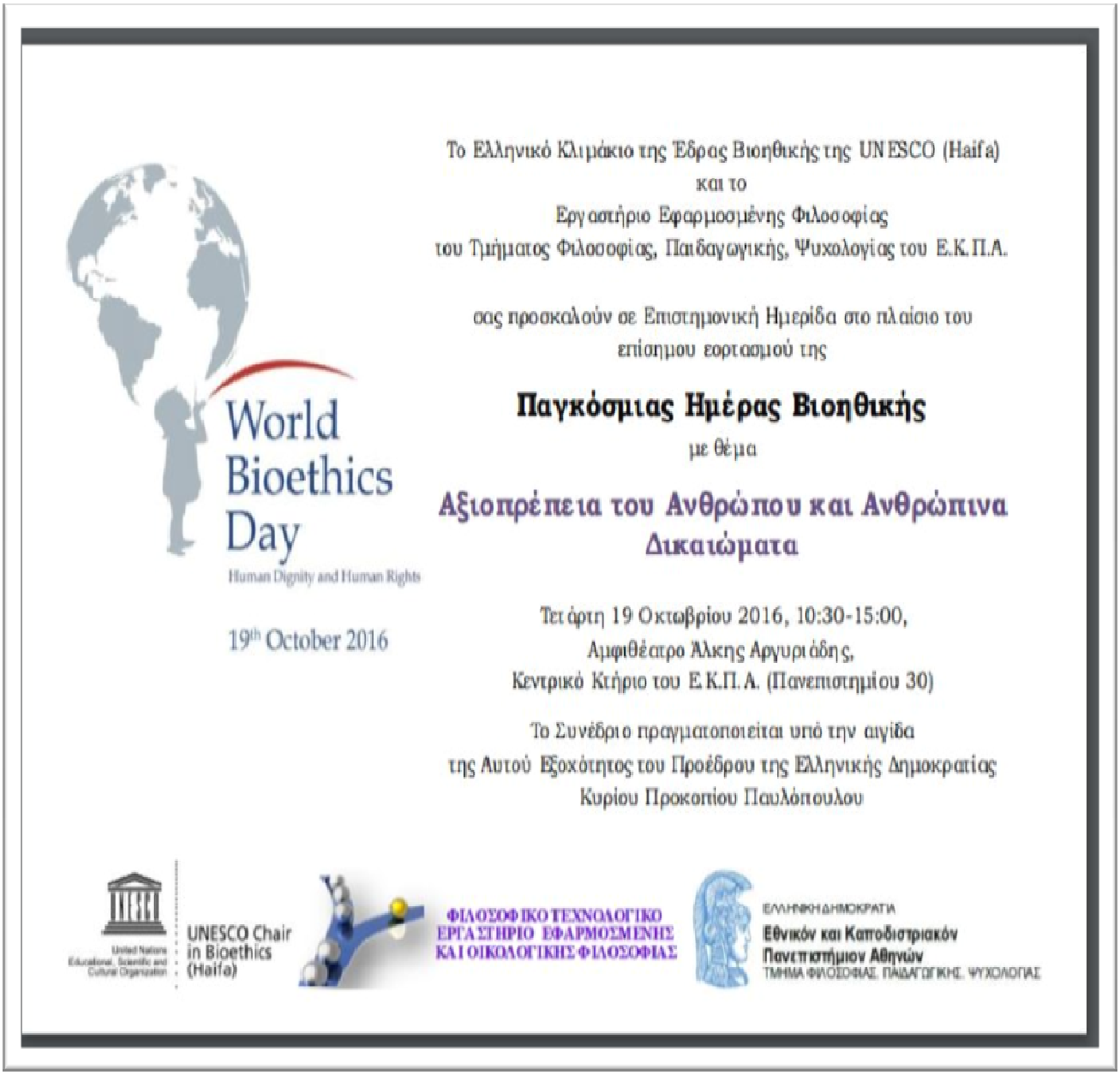
Participants were also shown a film on Bioethics "within my small circle" which was created by faculty and students of The German unit of Bioethics. To the see the film that talked about importance of ethics in community as well as for self:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8Wd_uVUvBnM&feature=youtube

Participants of the event enjoyed the film and it's message was reached to them.

Event was successful and we plan to organize this every year to pass the word about Bioethics to entire community.

## GREECE UNIT

At the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, the Unit Head Prof. Dr Evangelos D. Protopapadakis has celebrated the World Bioethics Day 2016 on 19th October 2016.






**Το Ελληνικό Κλιμάκιο της Έδρας Βιοηθικής της UNESCO (Haifa)**

► Επί Κεφαλής
**Ευάγγελος Πρωτοπαπαδάκης**, Επίκουρος Καθηγητής του Ε.Κ.Π.Α.

► Εκτελεστική Επιτροπή
**Προεδρεύουσα: Φερενίκη Παναγοπούλου - Κουτναζή**, PhD, LL.B., LL.M. (E.K.Π.A.), M.P.H. (Harvard)

**Μέλη:**
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- **Γιώργος Στείρης**, Επίκουρος Καθηγητής του Ε.Κ.Π.Α.
- **Σταυρούλα Τσινόρεμα**, Καθηγήτρια του Πανεπιστημίου Κρήτης
- **Μαρία Χωριανοπούλου**, Υπ. Διδάκτωρ του Ε.Κ.Π.Α.

**Πρόγραμμα**

► 10:00 – 10:30
**Εγγραφή Συνέδρων**

► 10:30 – 11:30
**Προσφωνήσεις:**
- **ΜΕΛΕΤΙΟΣ - ΑΘΑΝΑΣΙΟΣ ΔΗΜΟΠΟΥΛΟΣ**, Πρύτανης του Ε.Κ.Π.Α.
- **ΓΕΩΡΓΙΟΣ ΖΩΓΡΑΦΟΣ**, Αναπληρωτής Πρύτανης του Ε.Κ.Π.Α., Πρόεδρος της Επιτροπής Βιοηθικής και Δεοντολογίας του Ε.Κ.Π.Α.
- **ΙΩΑΝΝΗΣ ΚΑΡΑΚΩΣΤΑΣ**, Ομότιμος Καθηγητής του Ε.Κ.Π.Α., Πρόεδρος της Εθνικής Επιτροπής Βιοηθικής
- **ΚΥΡΙΑΚΟΣ ΚΕΝΕΒΕΖΟΣ**, Πρέσβης της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας στην Ελλάδα
- **ΙΣΜΗΝΗ ΚΡΙΑΡΗ**, Πρύτανης του Παντείου Πανεπιστημίου
- **ΘΕΟΔΟΣΗΣ ΠΕΛΕΓΡΙΝΗΣ**, Πρώην Πρύτανης του Ε.Κ.Π.Α., Υφυπουργός Παιδείας, Έρευνας και Θρησκευμάτων
- **ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΟΣ ΠΡΩΤΟΠΑΠΑΔΑΚΗΣ**, Επίκουρος Καθηγητής του Ε.Κ.Π.Α., Επί Κεφαλής του Ελληνικού Κλιμακίου της Έδρας Βιοηθικής της UNESCO (Haifa)
- **ΘΕΟΔΩΡΟΣ ΦΟΡΤΣΑΚΗΣ**, Τέως Πρύτανης του Ε.Κ.Π.Α. Βουλευτής Επικρατείας
- **ΜΑΡΙΑ - ΖΩΗ ΦΟΥΝΤΟΠΟΥΛΟΥ**, Πρόεδρος του Τμήματος Φ.Π.Ψ. του Ε.Κ.Π.Α.
- **ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΣ ΧΑΤΖΗΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ**, Μητροπολίτης Μεσογαίας και Λαυρεωτικής, Πρόεδρος της Ειδικής Συνοδικής Επιτροπής Βιοηθικής της Εκκλησίας της Ελλάδος

► 11:30 – 11:45
**Ταινία μικρού μήκους: *Within my own circle*** - Σκηνοθεσία: Martha Herbold Παραγωγή: German Unit of (Hannover) of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa). Μεταγλώττιση: Εργαστήριο Εφαρμοσμένης Φιλοσοφίας

► 11:45 – 12:00
**Διάλειμμα**

► 12:00 – 13:30
**Ειδική Ολομέλεια:** *Η Βιοηθική, η Αξιοπρέπεια του Ανθρώπου και τα Ανθρώπινα Δικαιώματα*

**ΠΡΟΕΔΡΕΥΟΥΣΕΣ: Μυρτώ Δραγώνα - Μονάχου, Ισμήνη Κριάρη**
- **Στέλιος Βιρβιδάκης και Γιώργος Μπούτλας**, *Η αυτονομία ως αρχή της συναίνεσης*
- **Μυρτώ Δραγώνα - Μονάχου**, *Η Οικουμενική Διακήρυξη για την Βιοηθική και τα Ανθρώπινα Δικαιώματα: Η προβληματική και η σημασία της*
- **Κώστας Θεολόγου**, *Βιοηθική και βιοτεχνολογία: Η ανάδυση μιας καινούργιας βιο - ταυτότητας*
- **Ελένη Καλοκαιρινού**, *Είναι η αξιοπρέπεια μια άχρηστη αίθηλμη;*
- **Μαρία Κανελλοπούλου - Μπότη**, *Η Βιοηθική και οι απαιτήσεις των γονέων με παιδιά που γεννήθηκαν με γενετική ασθένεια*
- **Κωνσταντίνος Κορναράκης**, *Η αξιοπρέπεια του ανθρώπινου προσώπου: Ζητούμενο ή δεδομένο; Μια θεολογική ματιά*
- **Ισμήνη Κριάρη**, *Η Οικουμενική Διακήρυξη Βιοηθικής της UNESCO.*
- **Απόστολος Νικολαΐδης**, *Βασικές Αρχές Χριστιανικής Βιοηθικής*
- **Φερενίκη Παναγοπούλου - Κουτναζή**, *Το Συμφέρον του τέκνου στην Ιατρικώς Υποβοηθούμενη Αναπαραγωγή*
- **Γιώργος Ρουμελιώτης**, *Βιοηθικές Ανέρωτος: Αρχές και Όρια*
- **Σταυρούλα Τσινόρεμα**, *Επεμβάσεις στο ανθρώπινο σώμα και τα μέρη του. Πότε και γιατί υπάρχει βιοηθικό θέμα;*
- **Μαρία Χωριανοπούλου**, *Γενετική μηχανική και γονιδιακή χειραγώγηση: Το δικαίωμα στην εκλογή;*

► 13:30 - 14:30
**Ελαφρύ γεύμα**

The event has seen the kind participation of Prof. Dr Meletios-Athanasios Dimopoulos, Rector of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens; Professor Emeritus Theodosios Pelegrinis, Deputy Minister of Education, Research and Religious Affairs; Kiriakos Kenevezos, Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus in Athens; Prof. Dr Georgios Zografos, Vice-Rector of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Head of the Bioethics and Deontology Committee.

The guest lecture has been by Most Reverent Nikolaos Chantzinikolaou on Metropolitan of Messogaia and Lavreotiki, Chair of the Special Synodical.

The Plenary sessions' theme has been about Bioethics and Human Dignity and chaired by Myrto Dragona-Monachou, Professor Emerita, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens & University of Crete and Ismini Kriari-Katrani, Professor, Rector of the Panteion University of Athens.

The speakers have been Maria Canellopoulou-Botis, Maria Chorianopoulou, Myrto Dragona-Monachou, Eleni Kalokairinou, Konstantinos Kornarakis, Ismini Kriari, Fereniki Panagopoulou-Koutnatzi, Filimon Peonidis, Georgios Roumeliotis, Georgios Steiris, Kostas Theologou, Stavroula Tsinorema, Stelios Virvidakis.

Then there has been a round table on Human Dignity, Human Rights and Marginal Cases in Bioethics and the attribution of the National Award for the Bioethics Essay Competition by the Rector of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Professor Meletios- Athanasios Dimopoulos.

The event has also seen a poster session with the posters by post-and undergraduate students.








## ICELAND UNIT

For the celebrations of the first World Bioethics Day, the Head of the Iceland Unit, Prof. S. Nordal, has organized an event which has seen the participation of several Bioethics personalities, as Vilhjàlmur Anarson, Professor of Philosophy; Arnar Palsson, Associate Professor of Bioinformatics and Astridur Stefansdottir, MD and Assistant Professor.



## INDIA – AURANGABAD UNIT
*Gov. Dental College & Hospital*

The world Bioethics day was celebrated on 19-10-2016 by Govt. Medical College, Aurangabad (MS) – India. The Celebrations was a joint venture of Government Dental College, Aurangabad and Government Medical College, Aurangabad.

The Chief guests of the Program was Dr Bhoyar, Dean CSMSS, Dental College, Aurangabad and Advocate Mrs. V P Shinde Assistant Govt. Pleader of Mumbai Bench High Court Aurangabad.

Inaugural speech was Delivered by the Dr S P Dange, Dean GDC Aurangabad, Dr C B Mhaske Dean, GMC, Aurangabad. The Chief guest of the program Dr Bhoyar and AGP Shinde Madam Guided the audience about the theme of World Bioethics Day. An Introductory session on Human Rights and Human Dignity was delivered by Dr K U Zine Professor & Head FMT, GMC, Aurangabad. The Highlight of the Celebrations was Panel Discussion on Human rights and human dignity. The Panelist included:

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| 1. | Dr C B Mhaske | Dean, GMC, Aurangabad |
| 2. | Dr S P Dange | Dean, GDC, Aurangabad |
| 3. | Dr Ajit Damle | Professor & Head Microbiology |
| 4. | Dr Mangala V Borkar | Professor of Medicine |
| 5. | Dr Varsha Rotte | Professor & Head Radiology |
| 6. | Dr S N Gadappa | Professor & Head OBGY |
| 7. | Dr Anant Beedkar | Associate Professor Surgery |

The session was Moderated by Dr S P Jhadav, Professor & Head Surgery, Govt. Medical College, Aurangabad. This was followed by appreciation awards to Dr M S Baig, Member secretary and Dr Kulkarni M D coordinator of student wing of Bioethics Unit of Government Medical College, Aurangabad. Dr Mrs Jyoti Bhavtankar Member secretary Dr Jayanti Humbe coordinator of student wing of Bioethics Unit Government Dental College, Aurangabad.



Awards was given by the hands of Chief Guest and members on the Dias to students Postgraduate and undergraduate students of Govt. Medical College, Aurangabad and Govt. Dental College, Aurangabad who actively participated in the Essay, Posters and Flyers completions.

Present on this occasion were all steering committee members of Bioethics Unit of GDC, Aurangabad and GMC Aurangabad. Esteemed faculties of both institutes, Faculties from Govt. Cancer Hospital, Aurangabad. Nursing College Staff, Post graduate students, Undergraduate students and Nursing students of both the institutes.

The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Dr Mrs Jyoti Bhavtankar, Govt. Dental College, Aurangabad.



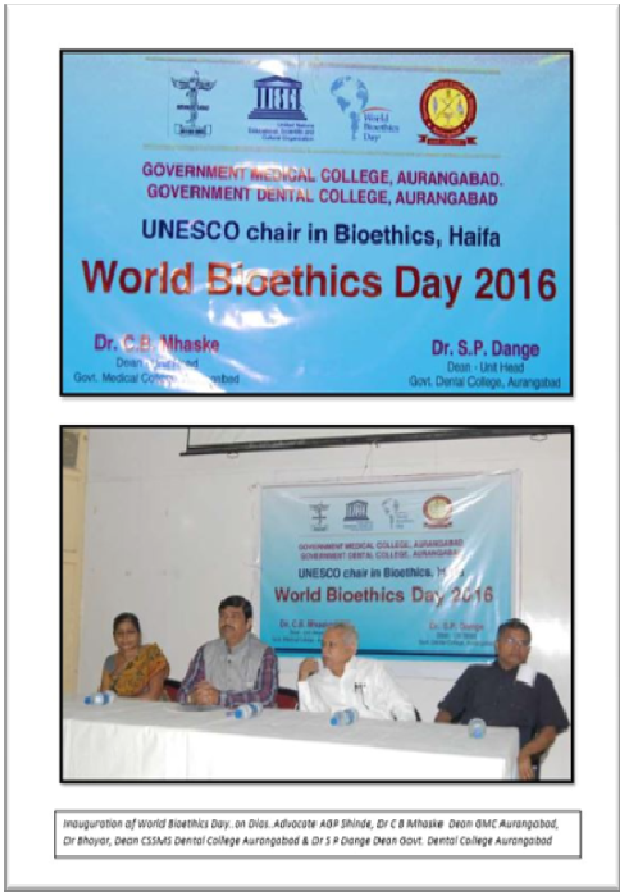
*Inauguration of World Bioethics Day. Members of Steering committee and the Audience*

*E-Poster/Flyer Competition on Human Dignity & Human Rights*

"The most valuable part of a novel enterprise, is the first step headed towards it." With this perception, the first event of the upcoming World Bioethics Day celebration, "e-Poster/flyer Competition themed on Human Dignity & Human Rights" was successfully accomplished on 30th August 2016, at Govt. Dental College & Hospital, Aurangabad (M.S.), Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa); pioneered by, Dr. C. B. Mhaske, Dean & Unit Head Bioethics Chair, Govt. Medical College & Hospital, Aurangabad. The event witnessed an enthusiastic participation by the undergraduate & the post-graduate students of the college accounting for 24 entries for the same.

The posters were reviewed by the jury members for the competition, Dr.Maya S. Indurkar, Professor, Department of Periodontology, Dr. Mandakini S. Mandale, Associate Professor, Department of Oral Pathology & Microbiology and Dr. Smita A. Khalikar, Associate Professor, Department of Prosthodontics. The programme was conducted by Dr.Jyoti D Bhavthankar, Member Secretary, Bioethics Chair and Dr. Jayanti Humbe, Co-ordinator, Students Bioethics Wing, Govt. Dental College & Hospital, Aurangabad.

The posters and flyers encompassed a wide arena of bioethics corresponding with human dignity and human rights; throwing a light on the diverse burning issues in the medical & dental profession and the society. The event not just being a mere competition, was an enlightening reflection of the views, opinions, current knowledge and the future perspectives of this very needed and upcoming field of bioethics.




Inauguration of World Bioethics Day.. on Dias..Advocate AGP Shinde, Dr C B Mhaske Dean GMC Aurangabad, Dr Bhayar, Dean CSSMS Dental College Aurangabad & Dr S P Dange Dean Govt. Dental College Aurangabad

Being embraced as one of the elements in this noble cause of fortifying the morality in the medical and dental practice and uplifting the standards of the profession, we stay gratified to the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) and ensure to uphold this entitled responsibility in the future.



The Unit is grateful to Dr. C. B. Mhaske, Dean & Unit Head and Dr. Shiraz Baig, Member Secretary, Bioethics Chair, Govt. Medical College & Hospital, Aurangabad for igniting this concept in minds with his farsighted beliefs for the welfare of the society.

Results Out for the E-poster/Flyer Competition held on 30th August 2016; judged by the esteemed judges, Dr.Maya Indurkar, Dr. Smita Khalikar and Dr. Mandakini Mandale; E-poster Category: 1st prize: Dr. Shubhangi D Mishra; 2nd prize : Aboli Muley ; Flyer Category: Megha Agrawal.

After the overwhelming applauds witnessed by the e-poster and flyer competition held on 30th August 2016, the celebration of the World Bioethics Day paved ahead with its next successful event; The Essay Writing Competition, themed “Human Dignity and Human Rights (related to dental and medical sciences)” on 19th September 2016, at Govt. Dental College & Hospital, Aurangabad (M.S.), Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa); pioneered by, Dr. C. B. Mhaske, Dean & Unit Head Bioethics Chair, Govt. Medical College & Hospital, Aurangabad.

A total of 23 entries from both the undergraduates and the post graduates was received for the competition; with the fascinating and novel views of the participants being judged by Dr. Vilas Rajguru and Dr. Rakesh Mohode. The event was conducted by Dr. Jyoti D Bhavthankar, Member Secretary, Bioethics Chair and Dr. Jayanti Humbe, Co-ordinator, Students Bioethics Wing, Govt. Dental College & Hospital, Aurangabad: 1st Prize : Dr. Manjiree Awad; 2nd Prize: Sumaiya Sheikh.

## INDIA - BHAVNAGAR UNIT

*Government Medical College*

The Head of the Unit, Dr Vikas Sinha, has held the opening speech for the inauguration of the First Bioethics Day at Bhavnagar, and many other guests have celebrated this important day.

One of the proposed activities has been an online lecture about Ethics in Doctor – Patient Relation Ship and a panel discussion with Dr. Pradeep Joshi and Dr. M R Kanani, Consultant Physicians. Then there have been organized a debate competition of one hour and the poster exhibition on bioethical themes.

## INDIA – CHENNAI NODAL CENTER UNIT

*SRM, Medical College Hospital and Research Centre*




On 19th October 2016 SRM Medical College Hospital and Research Centre organised World Bioethics Day in a grandeur manner. In the morning Dr.T.N.Ravisankar (President Elect) IMA Tamil Nadu State Branch spoke on all about medical ethics. He had highlighted that doctors should adhere to the medical ethics norms laid by the Medical Council of India. He further said that Doctors should be altruistic and giving excellent care to the suffering individuals must be their prime concern. He admixed his lecture with short video clippings focusing on various facets of medical ethics.

Pro Vice Chancellor (Medical) Dr. K. Sridhar in his inaugural address shared his experience of various ethical issues he had faced. And he requested the organisers to organise specific seminar and debates addressing various ethical issues such as end of life consideration.

Prof. P. Thangaraju Advisor faculty Development, Head INBC SRM University said that with the view of encouraging awareness regarding the principles and practices of bioethics amongst students and professional in medical areas the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics decided to implement the world bioethics day to be celebrated worldwide each year on 19th October. He said that bioethics of late has a general meaning. The field of Bioethics is as wide as the facts of life and its study is divided in many branches. Ecological or environment, health sciences clinical bioethics, Research bioethics etc.

Prof. Dr. P. Thangaraju, Advisor, Faculty Development and Head, India Nodal Bioethics Centre, SRM University, further added that this year the theme of the World Bioethics Day is the "Human Dignity and Human Rights".

Julian Huxley, the first Director-General, pointed out that in order to make science contribute to peace, security and human welfare, it was necessary to relate the applications of science to a scale of values. This scale of values are called Bioethics.

From the 1970s onwards, the emergence of the life sciences, in particular, has led to international examination of bioethical questions. This global focus on bioethics was institutionalized in 1993 with the establishment of the International Bioethics Committee (IBC). The program was expanded in 1998, by UNESCO of the World Commission on the Ethics of Scientific Knowledge and Technology (COMEST) to address, the environmental ethics, science ethics and technology ethics.







**"World Bioethics Day"**
**On 19th October 2016**

| Time / Venue | Topic | Speakers |
|---|---|---|
| 11.00am<br>Medical College Auditorium | "All about Medical Ethics" – For Faculty and Medical Students | Dr. T. N.Ravisankar,<br>President (Elect) IMA Tamil Nadu State Branch |
| | Distribution of pamphlets to medical doctors on Universal Principles of Bioethics | Student Council members |
| 2.00pm to 4.00pm<br>Hospital Seminar Hall | Workshop for nurses of casualty / ward on Bioethics Principles - Dignity, Autonomy, Informed consent, Privacy and Confidentiality, Communication Benefit and Harm – Case Studies | Mrs. Joy Kezia,<br>Deputy Nursing Superintendent<br><br>Dr. R. Sivakumar,<br>Chief Casualty officer<br><br>Dr. K. Gireesh,<br>Deputy Dean & VP |
| 6.00pm to 7.30pm<br>Mammandur Health Centre | Workshop for CRRI (Mamandur Health Centre) on Principles of Bioethics -"Professionalism" | Dr. K. Gireesh,<br>Deputy Dean & VP |

In the year 2002 the 191 Member Countries decided that ethics should be one of the priorities of the Organization. Many Member Countries have only a limited infrastructure in bioethics. They lack expertise, educational programs, bioethics committees, legal frameworks and public debate. Technological progress, new knowledge and its applications, new diagnostics, preventive and therapeutic interventions, have significantly changed medicine and the life sciences as well as the context of health care, giving rise to bioethical dilemmas both in highly developed and less developed countries.

Due to the rapid dissemination of information, increasing awareness and sensitivity of the general public, as well as the human rights movement throughout the world, ethical queries are now more frequently and openly discussed. Bioethics is no longer the exclusive concern of scientists, medical professionals, or policy-makers. It concerns all people. Because of globalization, not only scientific and technological advances spread around the globe, but also bioethical dilemmas. Ex-

ample: Cloning and sequencing of human Genome.

The global character of contemporary science and technology and the increasing number of research teams coming from different countries implies the need for a global approach to bioethics. This is precisely what UNESCO aims to promote.

UNESCO has adopted two declarations in the field of bioethics: the Universal Declaration on the Human Genome and Human Rights (1997) and the International Declaration on Human Genetic Data (2003).

In October 2003, the General Conference considered that it was desirable to set universal standards in the field of bioethics.

The UN Inter-Agency Committee on Bioethics (UNESCO with FAO, WHO, WTO) discussed the draft and after several sittings, finally, the draft text was subjected to a written consultation with all Member Countries in 2004.

Three views were advanced, that bioethics has to do with (1) medicine and health care, (2) the social context, such as access to health, and (3) the environment.

The heart of the Declaration is to be found in the 15 principles:
1) The individual human being itself (human dignity; benefit and harm; autonomy),
2) Other human beings (consent; privacy; equality),
3) Human communities (respect for cultural diversity),
4) Humankind as a whole (solidarity; social responsibility; sharing of benefits),
5) All living beings and their environment (protecting future generations and protection of the environment, the biosphere and biodiversity).

Finally, the Declaration anchors the bioethical principles firmly in the rules governing human dignity, human rights and fundamental freedoms.

It calls for professionalism, honesty, integrity and transparency in the decision making process in each and every individual whether it is medical, scientists, Technocrates, politicians, and in general public. Finally Dr. P. Thangaraju appealed that everyone must involve in making BIOETHICS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS to make the world happy.





Director (Medical) recalled how the Nodal center for Bioethics was started in SRM University by Prof. P. Thangaraju Advisor faculty Development, Head INBC SRM University and Dr. Russell and Dr. Balakrishnan. He also said that the moral Principles detailed in Universal declaration of Bioethics should be implemented on a day-to-day basis. Dr. A. Sundaram Dean in his message conveyed that for a good doctor patient relationship, both communication and proper documentation are quite essential. Then one can avert litigation. Dr. K. Gireesh Deputy Dean & VP emphasised that medical ethics encompassed the following important articles of Universal Declaration of Bioethics, which include Article 3 Dignity, Article 4 Benefit & harm, Article 5 Autonomy, Article 6 consent, Article 7 incapacity to consent, Article 8 Respecting vulnerability and Integrity, Article 9 Privacy and Confidentiality, Article 10 Equality justice and equity, Article 11 Non stigmatisation and non discrimination.



Delegates SRM Medical College attending “World Bioethics Day” celebrate on October 19th 2016

Dr. K. Gireesh said that he is a certified trainer in Bioethics organised by UNESCO and he had given lectures at Chettinad Hospital and Tamil Nadu MGR University. In the afternoon between 2pm to 4pm Dr. R. Sivakumar, Sister Joy & Dr. K. Gireesh jointly conducted a workshop for 80 nurses on the above important Bioethics principles and how they are important for the nursing profession.

In the evening between 5.30pm to 7.15pm Dr. K. Gireesh had discussed with 15 CRRIs posted at Mamandur Health Centre on the various components of professionalism. Hand outs had been given and the CRRIs actively did role play in conveying all the 13 principle and responsibilities comprising professionalism.

They include:
1) Principle of patient welfare 2) Autonomy & Consent 3) Social justice 4) Professional Competence 5) Honesty 6) Confidentiality 7) Doctor patient relationship 8) Quality of care 9) Access to care 10) Distribution to finite resources 11) Scientific Knowledge 12)Managing Conflict Interest 13) Professional responsibility.

Both the above workshops for nurses and then CRRI students were based on Flipped classroom model. It was equally heartening to note that the Student council members distributed pamphlets depicting the 28 articles of Universal Declaration of Bioethics to delegates numbering 500.

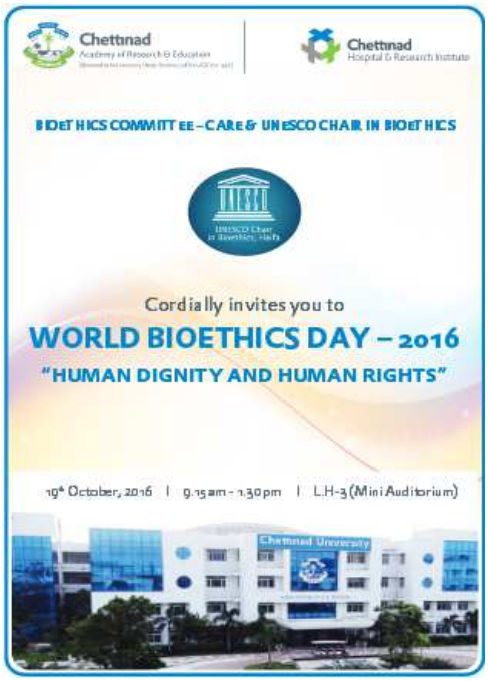
The faculty of doctors, CRRI students and Nurses did understand Bioethics to a large extent and had given a good feedback. However, it has to be taught on a regular basis right from first year not only for MBBS students but also for all health care providers of all disciplines including dental, pharmacy Physiotherapy and Occupational therapy and so on.



October 19th 2016 – Workshop on Bioethics to 80 Nurses at SRM Medical College Hospital and Research Centre, Conducted by Dr. K. Gireesh, Dr. R. Sivakumar and Sister Joy kezia

## INDIA – CHENNAI TAMIL NADU UNIT

The Bioethics unit Head and The Vice Chancellor of the University Prof. Dr. K. Ravindran declared the celebration of the World Bioethics Day on 19.10.2016. Faculties of different sciences (Medical, Dental, Biotechnology, Nanotechnology, Nursing) participated with enthusiasm and the students response was overwhelming.







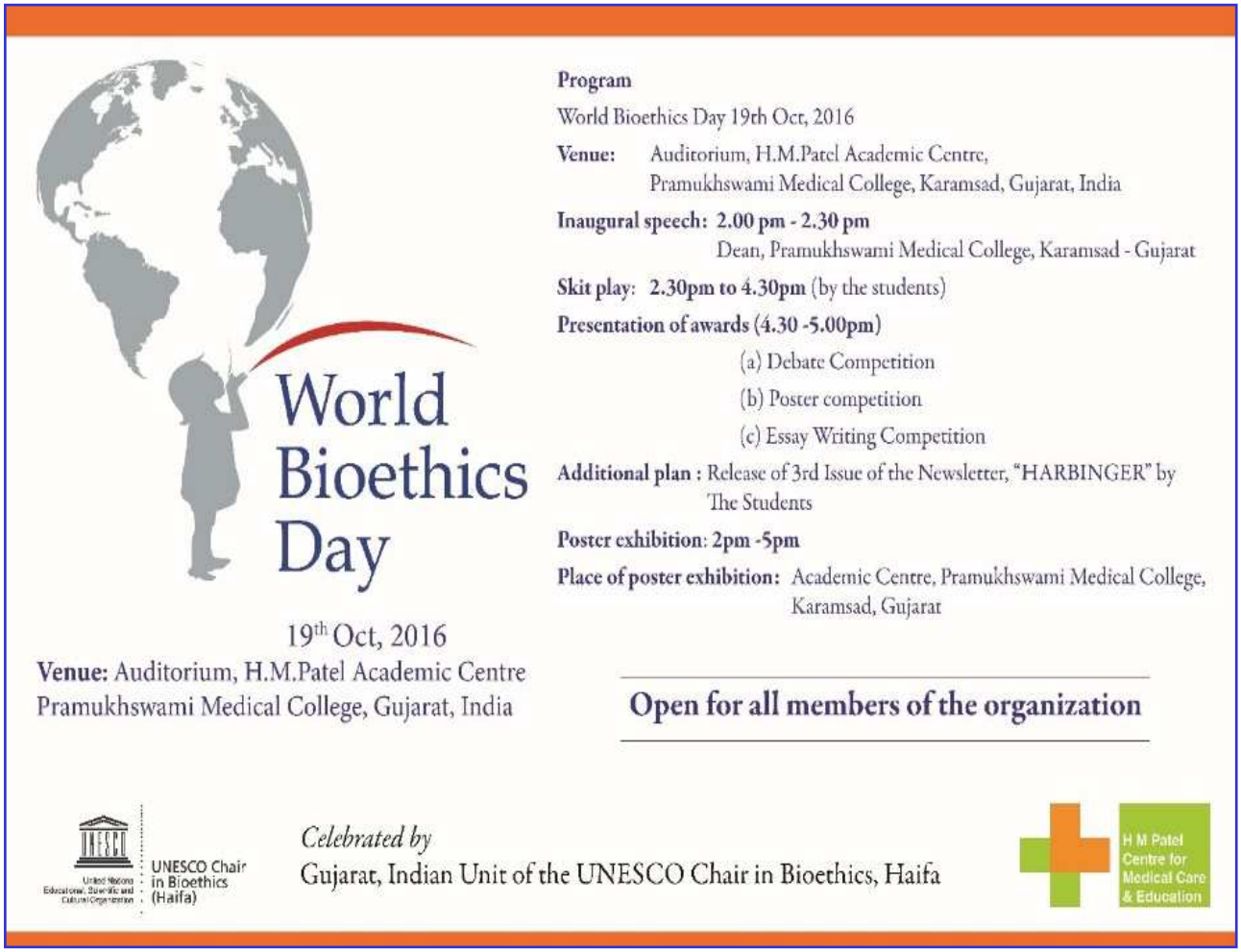


The event was enriched by other activities like the student as well as faculty participation in Poster competition and Essay competition which were conducted three weeks ahead of the Celebration. Winners were announced on 19th October and prices were distributed by Chief Guest.




## INDIA - GUJARAT UNIT

The PRAMUKHSWAMI Medical College, Gujarat, India, in the Auditorium of the Academic Centre, under the supervision of its Head, Dr. Barna Ganguly, has organized a Debate competition about "Why female feticide?" on the 14th October 2016, from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm, a Poster Exhibition on the 15th October 2016, from 9 am to 1pm at the Academic Centre, P. S. Medical College, Karamsad, Gujarat, for a target audience that has been composed by all the members of the organization. Plus, there has been an essay writing competition on "Sex determination and female feticide – whose right to be honoured?".




The submission opening date has been 26 September 2016 and the deadline 03 October 2016.

In order to proper celebrate the World Bioethics Day there has also been organized two skit/ drama presentations by Students of P. S. Medical College, followed by discussion on issues highlighted in the skits and the release of 3td issue of Newsletter of Gujarat Unit, Harbinger, followed by the prize distribution of the winners of debate and poster competition.

# Glimpse of celebration of World Bioethics Day











# Debate Competition







**Winner of Debate Competition**

*1st Prize*

Mili Shah, II MBBS Student, 2014 Batch

*2nd Prize*

Aanal Desai, II MBBS Student, 2014 Batch






## INDIA – KERALA UNIT

*SreeGokulam Medical College &Research Foundation*

Under the supervision of Dr. Geetha. O, Head of the Bioethics Unit, the Unit has followed the shown program:

**SREE GOKULAM MEDICAL COLLEGE &RESEARCH FOUNDATION**

**VENJARAMOODU ,TRIVANDRUM ,KERALA 695607**

**BIOETHICS CONFERENCE**

**IN CONNECTION WITH THE WORLD BIOETHICS DAY**

**19TH OF OCTOBER 2016**

**VENUE :LECTURE THEATRE-I ,Sree Gokulam Medical College**

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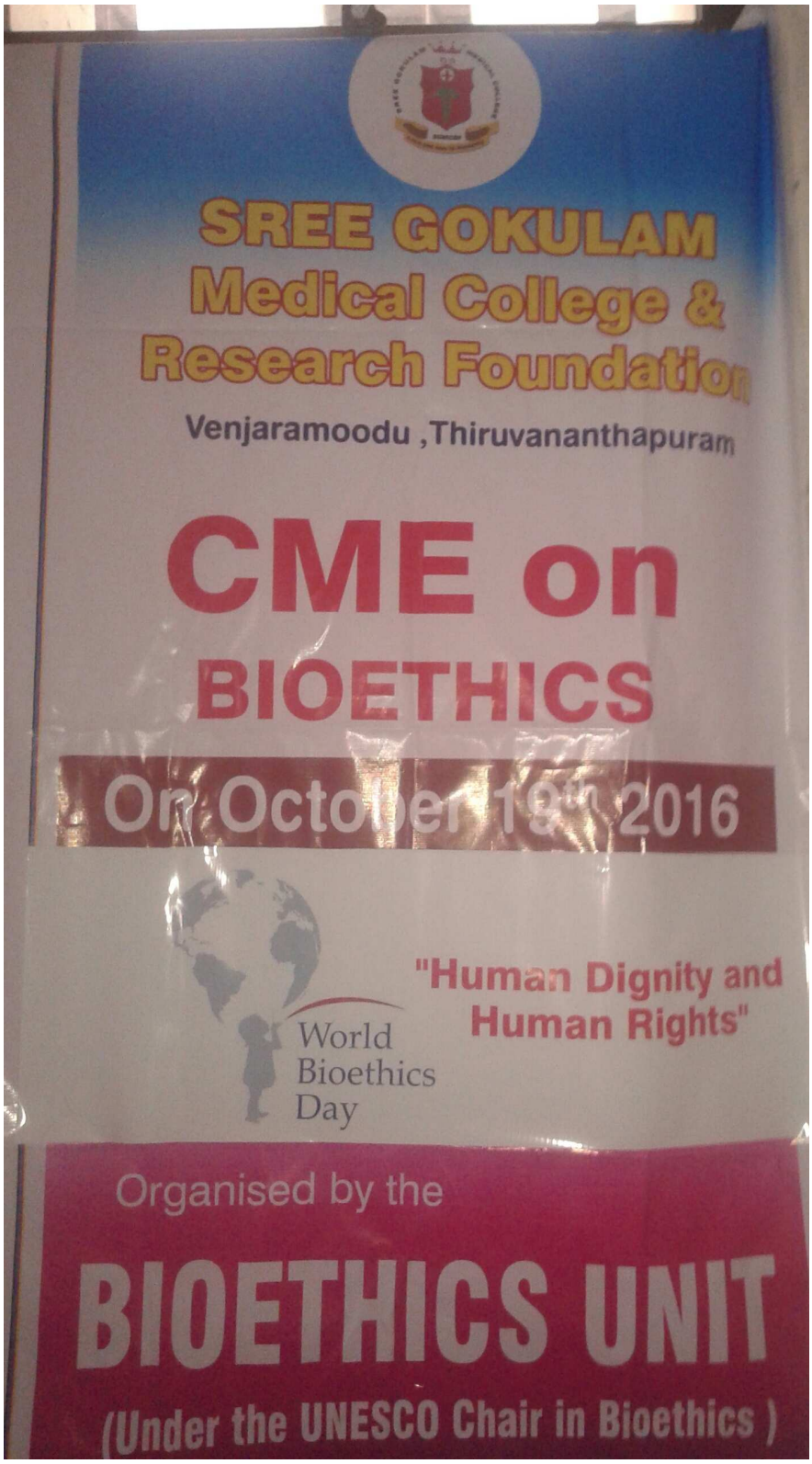
| ***8.30 AM-8.45 AM*** | ***REGISTRATION*** |
| 8.45AM-9.15AM | INAUGURATION |
| 9.15AM -9.45AM | UNESCO CHAIR ON BIOETHICS -AN INTRODUCTION<br>(Dr.RussellD'Souza,Head ,UNESCO Chair on Bioethics(Haifa) ,Asia Pacific Region ) |
| 9.45AM-10.30AM | WORLD BIOETHICS DAY –THEME PRESENTATION (Dr.E.Mohandas) |
| ***10.30AM-11.00AM*** | ***TEA BREAK*** |
| 11.00AM-11.45AM | HOSPITALS & HUMAN RIGHTS<br>(Dr.Jawahar ,Medical Administrator ,Sree Chithra Institute of Medical Sciences ) |
| 11.45AM-12.30PM | ETHICAL ISSUES IN RESEARCH<br>(Dr.Mala,Chairperson ,Institutional Ethics Committee, Sree Chithra Institute of Medical Sciences) |
| ***12.30PM -1.15PM*** | ***LUNCH BREAK*** |
| 1.15PM -2.00PM | PANEL DISCUSSION ON "DYING WITH DIGNITY"<br>(Chaired by Dr.M.R.Rajagopal ,Chairman,Pallium India |
| 2.00PM-2.45PM | ETHICAL ISSUES IN ASSISTED REPRODUCTIVE TECHNIQUES<br>(Dr.Sheela Balakrishnan ,Head of Infertility clinic , Govt Medical College, ,Trivandrum) |
| ***2.45PM-3.00PM*** | ***TEA BREAK*** |
| 3.00PM-3.30PM | BIOETHICS IN HUMAN ORGAN TRANSPLANTATION<br>(Dr.Thomas Mathew , State Convenor, Deceased Donor Organ Transplantation Programme Kerala ) |
| 3.30PM-4.00PM | BIOETHICS IN CHILD CARE<br>(Dr.Lalitha Kallas ,Professor &Head of Pediatrics ,Sree Gokulam Medical College &RF) |
| 4.00PM-4.30PM | QUIZ COMPETITION ON BIOETHICS FOR UNDER GRADUATE STUDENTS |
| 4.30PM-5.15PM | FREE PAPER PRESENTATION ON BIOETHICS FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS |
| ***5.15PM-5.30PM*** | ***VALEDICTORY FUNCTION*** |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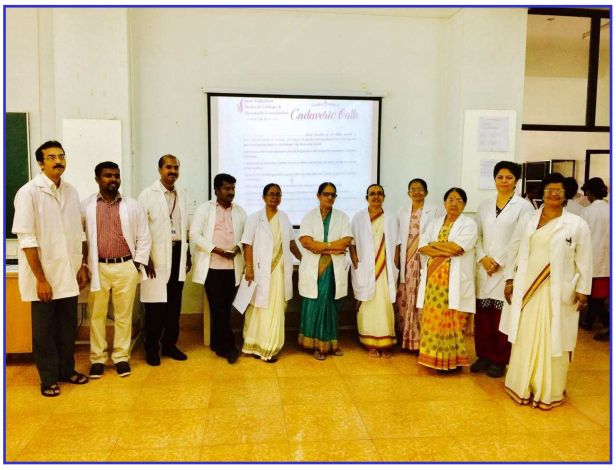
# Ethical Challenges in Organ Donation & Transplantation

Ajith N, Manager-R&D, SGMCRF





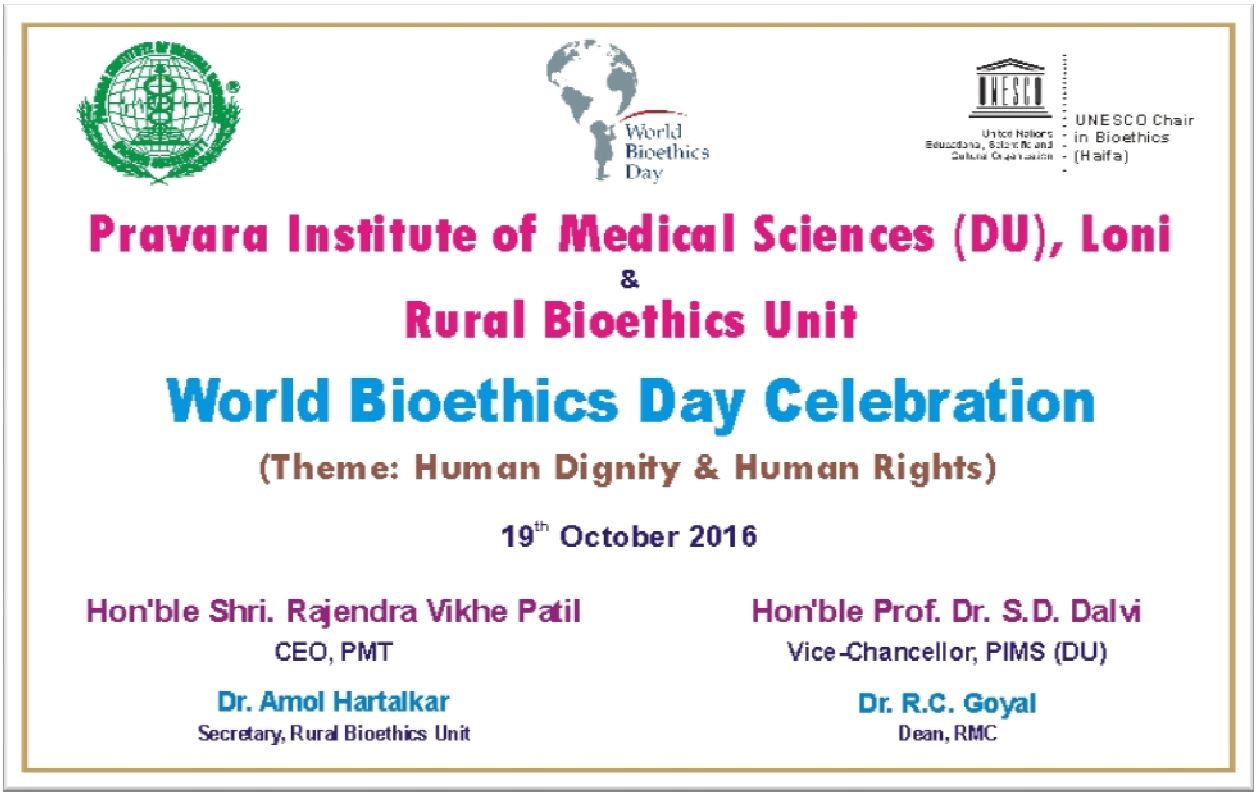




## INDIA - LONI UNIT

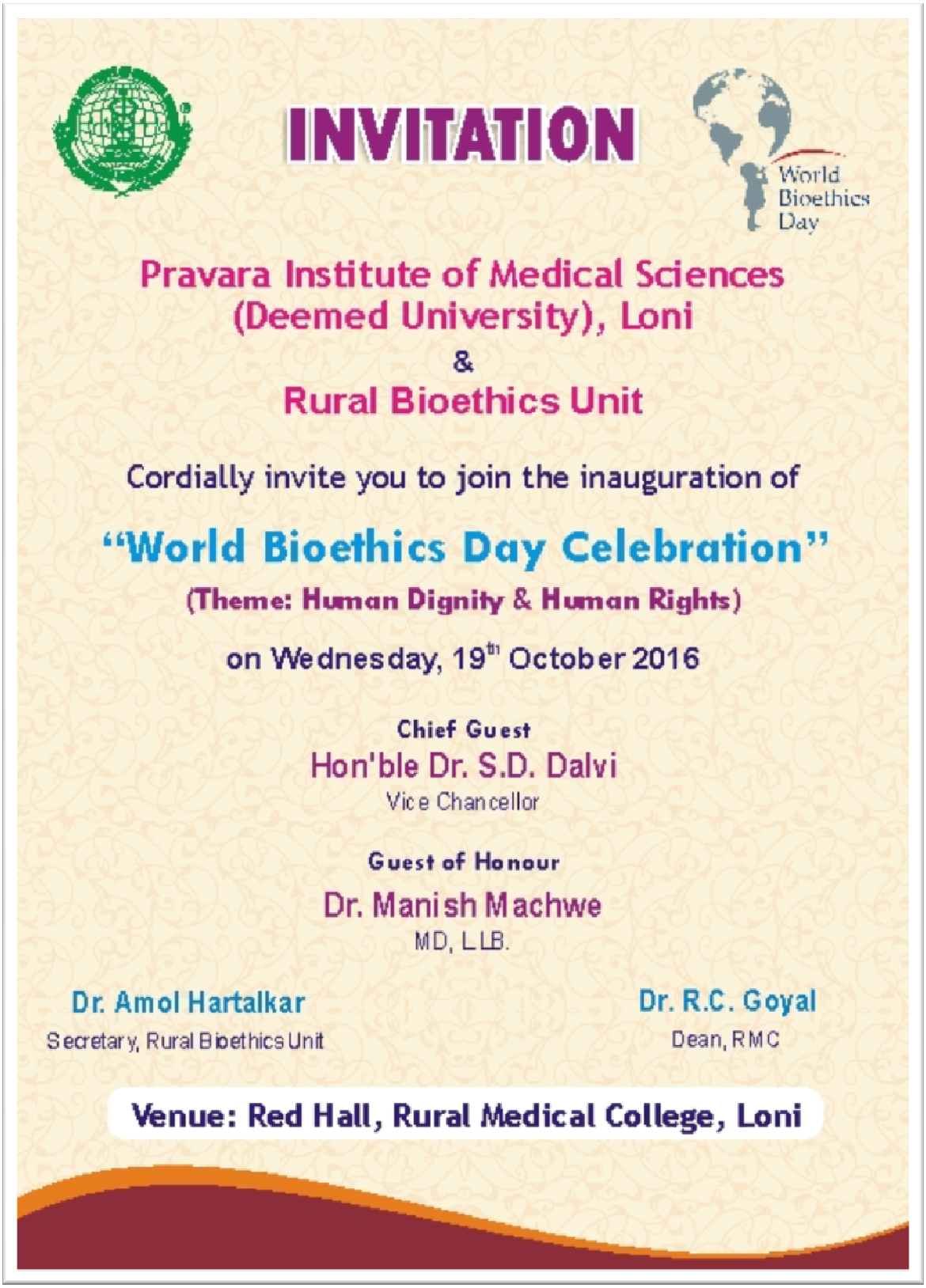
*Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences, Deemed University*

Several Bioethics eminent personalities will take part into the celebrations of Pravara Institute of Medical Sciences (Deemed University), Loni for the World Bioethics Day. Among these personalities, there will be Dr. Shashank D. Dalvi, Vice-chancellor, PIMS (DU) and Head of the Unit, Loni, who will hold the opening speech, followed by Dr. Rajendra Vikhe Patil, CEO, Pravara Medical Trust, Loni and Dr. (Mrs.) Payal Bansal, Professor & Head, IMETTT, Pune.




The awards for active members will be given to Dr. Amol Hartalkar, Department of Medicine and to Dr. M.C. Tayade, Department of Physiology. The guest lecture by Dr. (Mrs.) Payal Bansal, Professor & Head, IMETTT, Pune, will be about Human Dignity & Human Rights and will be followed by a panel discussion with Dr. S.D. Dalvi, Vice-chancellor, PIMS (DU), Loni; Dr. (Mrs.) Payal Bansal, Professor & Head, IMETTT, Pune; Dr. V.B. Bangal, Member, PIMS Bioethics Unit; Dr. Amol Hartalkar, Secretary, PIMS Bioethics Unit.

The poster exhibition will be held for one hour in the Corridor near RED / BLUE hall and the target audience will be the Junior staff, PG residents, UG students and Paramedics (Nursing and other supporting staff). In addition, it is foreseen the involvement of Middle school & High-school students for essay writing competition / poster exhibition.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World Bioethics Day
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&
Rural Bioethics Unit
Cordially invite you to join the inauguration of
"World Bioethics Day Celebration"
(Theme: Human Dignity & Human Rights)
on Wednesday, 19th October 2016
Chief Guest
Hon'ble Dr. S.D. Dalvi
Vice Chancellor
Guest of Honour
Dr. Manish Machwe
MD, LLB.
Dr. Amol Hartalkar
Secretary, Rural Bioethics Unit
Dr. R.C. Goyal
Dean, RMC
Venue: Red Hall, Rural Medical College, Loni

# Programme

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| 10.00 am to 11.00 am | Swarwat Vandana, Lamp Lighting & Garlanding of Padmashri's Portrait | |
| | Welcome | Dr. R. C. Goyal, Dean, RMC<br>Chairperson, RuralBioethics Unit |
| | Felicitation | |
| | Inaugural Address | Dr. S. D. Dalvi, Vice Chancellor, PIMS (DU)<br>Head, Rural Bioethics Unit |
| | Annual report Presentation | Dr. Amol Hartalkar, Dept. of Medicine<br>Secretary, Rural Bioethics Unit |
| 11.00 am to 12.00 noon | Doctor Patient Communication | Dr. Manish Machwe, Pune |
| 12.00 noon to 1.00 pm | Short Film Presentation on Bioethics & Debate | Students Wing – Rural Bioethics Unit |
| 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm | LUNCH | |
| 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm | Symposium on Principles of Bioethics | **Dr. M. C. Tayde,** Dept. of Physiology<br>**Dr. J. M. Farooqui,** Dept. of FMT<br>**Dr. Rajeev Desai,** Dept. of Anatomy<br>**Dr. V. B. Bangal,** Dept. of Ob-Gyn |
| 3.00 pm to 3.30 pm | Skit on Organ Trafficking | Students Wing – Rural Bioethics Unit |
| 3.30 pm to 3.45 pm | Open Forum | Faculty and Students |
| 3.45 pm to 4.00 pm | Certificate / Prize Distribution | |
| 4.00 pm to 4.15 pm | Concluding Remarks and Vote of Thanks | Dr. Vidyasagar Mopagar<br>Dept. of Pedodontics, RDC |

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| 10.00 am to 11.00 am | Program began with Swarwati Vandana , Lamp Lighting & Garlanding of founder - Padmashri Dr. V. Vikhe's Portrait | |
| | Welcome address by Dr. R. C. Goyal, [Dean, Rural Medical College] Chairperson, Rural Bioethics Unit<br>He explained the idea behind World Bioethics Day celebration and concept of WBD-2016 theme | |
| | Felicitation of the faculty | |
| | Inaugural Address by Dr. S. D. Dalvi, [Vice Chancellor, PIMS (DU)] Head, Rural Bioethics Unit<br>He explained the basic principles of bioethics in lucid language, the need of Bioethics unit in each medical institute | |
| | Annual report was presented by Dr. Amol Hartalkar, [Dept. of Medicine] Secretary, Rural Bioethics Unit<br>He enumerated major activities conducted by / under Rural Bioethics Unit , since its inception | |
| 11.00 am to 12.00 noon | Guest lecture on "Doctor Patient Communication" by Dr. Manish Machave, Gynecologist & medico-legal expert from Pune.<br>He explained the key principles by sharing real life experiences with help of interesting A-V clips | |
| 12.00 noon to 1 .00 pm | Two Short Film presentations on Euthanasia and Violence against Doctors, followed by a thought provoking Debate by UG students from Medical , Dental & Physiotherapy streams, conducted under Student's Wing of Rural Bioethics Unit | |
| 1.00 pm to 2.00 pm | Lunch break | |
| 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm | Symposium on 4 Principles of Bioethics,<br>Especially to orient UG students from Medical , Dental & Physiotherapy, along with teachers | Autonomy - by Dr. M. C. Tayde, [Dept. of Physiology]<br>Justice - by Dr. J. M. Farooqui, [Dept. of FMT]<br>Nonmaleficence - by Dr. Rajeev Desai, [Dept. of Anatomy]<br>Beneficence - by Dr. V. B. Bangal, [Dept. of Ob-Gyn] |
| 3.00 pm to 3.30 pm | UG medical students presented a Skit on "Organ Trafficking" conducted under Student's Wing of Rural Bioethics Unit | |
| 3.30 pm to 3.45 pm | Open Forum invoked active participation from Faculty and Students, discussing common queries regarding practice of Bioethics in study & real practice | |
| 3.45 pm to 4.00 pm | Certificates / Prizes were distributed by Hon. VC and the Dean, RMC to the faculty and the participants | |
| 4.00 pm to 4.15 pm | Concluding Remarks and Vote of Thanks presented by Dr. Vidyasagar Mopagar [Dept. of Pedodontics, Rural Dental College] | |
| *Photographs of each of these activities are enclosed alongwith* | | |
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Dr. MC .Tayade-Autonomy.JPG



Dr. Farooqui-Justice.JPG



Dr. R .Desai-Nonmaleficence.JPG



Audience



Chief guest address



Organizing team

## INDIA - LUCKNOW UNIT
### *Central India, King George's Medical* University

The Central India Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa at the King George's Medical University, Lucknow, has started the celebrations with the Welcome address by Dr. Shally Awasthi, Head of the Unit and Prof. Ravi Kant, Vice Chancellor and Head of Institution.

The event has seen a guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics, a brief Presentations on Patients' Rights and responsibilities, a panel discussion and a role Play/Skits on Patients' Rights and responsibilities moderated by Prof. Rakesh Dixit. Finally, there has been a press conference under chairmanship of Prof. Ravi Kant, Vice Chancellor (30 minutes), coordinated by Prof. Shally Awasthi and Dr. Samir Misra.

## INDIA - MANGALORE UNIT
### *Kasturba Medical College, Manipal University*

The Mangalore Unit at Kasturba Medical College, Mangalore, Manipal University, India under the supervision of its Unit Head, Dr. Animesh Jain has organized many activities dedicated to the celebration of the First World Bioethics Day, as the guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics, who has been Dr. G G. Laxman Prabhu who has talked about the fundamental bioethical issue of "Doctors, patient care and human dignity".

## INDIA - MANGALORE SOUTH INDIA UNIT

Under the supervision of Dr. Pricy Louis Palatty, Head, the South India unit at Father Muller Medical College, Mangalore India, has celebrated the World Bioethics Day as follows:

Invocation song (2 – 2.30 p.m.)
Welcome address – Dean FMMC
Lighting of lamp chief guest and dignitaries
Introduction of speaker
Presidential address – director FMCI

The opening speech has been given by Dr. Nagesh K R, Prof & Head, Forensic Medicine who has talked about 'Law and rights', the local representative has been Rev Fr Rudolf Ravi D Sa, Administrator FMMCm with his speak on 'Rights in the health care industry'. As representative of UNESCO Chair has talked Dr. Princy Louis Palatty on 'The need and evolution of WBD'. The award for active member has been given to Dr. Prema D Cunha, Prof & Head, OBG: it consists in the Ethical challenges in OBG prize for the incorporation of bioethics in OBG for UG, PG, staff.

The guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics has been cured by Mr Taranath, Human Right Activist who has talked on People rights'.

The Panel Discussion on patient rights, chaired by Dr. Smitha Bhat, has been composed by:

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| Name: Dr. Varadaraj Shenoy | Title: Paediatrics |
| Name: Dr. Sanjeev Rai | Title: Paediatrics |
| Name: Dr. Nandakishor | Title: Dermatology |
| Name: Dr. Adiga | Title: Orthopaedics |

After the discussion, there has been the debate Competition for medical, nursing, homeopathy, allied sciences for all colleges outside DM hall, and the poster exhibition outside DM hall. In OPD space. Competitions – medical, nursing, homeo, allied sciences for a target audience made of general public, HCP.

The ceremony has then gone on with felicitation judges, Vote of thanks, Institutional anthem and High tea. Finally, the Unit planned a walkathone 'Run for yours Rights' at 11 am at Kankanady bus stand by FMCON students. Duration of the walkathone: 10 minutes, held in Mangalore.








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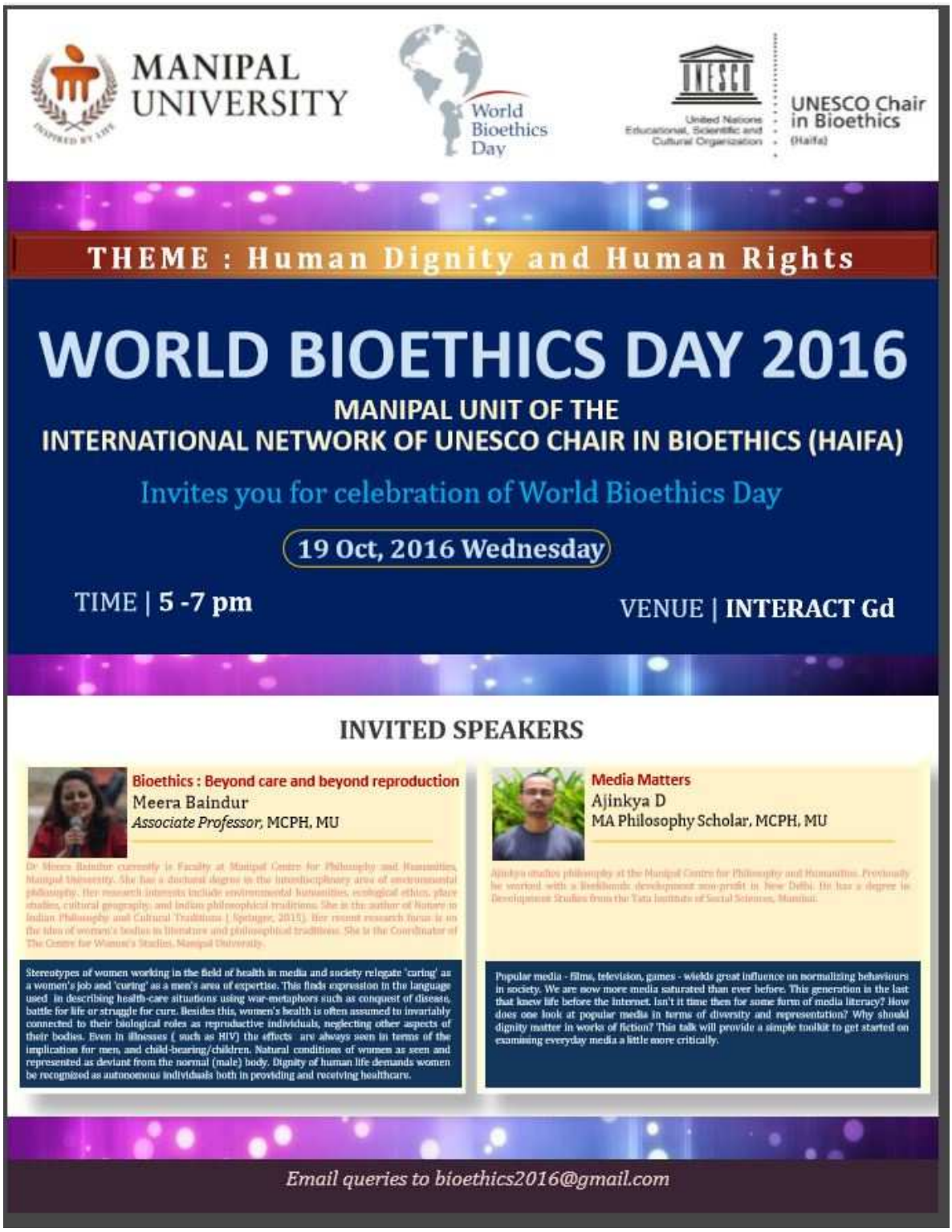
World Bioethics Day

## INDIA - MANIPAL KARAWATKA UNIT

Under the supervision of the Head of the chair, Dr. Mary Mathew at Kasturba Medical College, Manipal University, Manipal, Karnataka, India, the Manipal Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) has presented the following program:






The Manipal Unit started the month long celebration in October with various competitions for both staff and faculty of Manipal University which included Essay writing, Poetry and Collage competitions.

The esteemed guest for this year's celebration on the 19th of October was Dr. Meera Baindur, Head, Centre for Women's Studies from Manipal Centre for Philosophy and Humanities, Manipal University. This day was dedicated to 'Dignity of Women in Media'. Her enlightening talk on the role of women in health care profession was thought provoking and eliciated a heated debate from the audience.

Ajinkya D, Phd Scholar in Philosophy was the special guest for the evening and enthralled the students with his talk on 'Media Matters' and the portrayal of women in India especially in the media.

Certificates of appreciation were handed over to the speakers, students and guest faculty who were actively involved in the unit's activity for the year 2016. The winners of the competitions were awarded certificates of appreciation.

The new committee members of the Student Wing were inducted and the ex-heads were lauded and awarded a certificate of appreciation for their commitment and success of the Unit.

The culmination of the celebration was the Poster Competition organised by the Department of Anatomy in conjunction with Manipal unit on dignity of cadavers themed "Phoenix – Risen from the ashes and now in visual & writing', with the theme – Cadaver a dignified service to humanity which had 250 students participating in the competition.




E- Display of the World Bioethics Day Celebrations outside Manipal University Building

## Manipal unit won the 3rd Prize for Scientific Poster WBD Celebrations

MANIPAL UNIVERSITY

World Bioethics Day

UNESCO United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)

# WORLD BIOETHICS DAY

# OCTOBER 19, 2016

**Venue: KMC, Interact Gd**

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| 5.00PM - 5.05PM | Welcome Address | Shraddha Pande |
| 5.05PM - 5.15PM | Introduction to Manipal Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) & Introduction of the Chief Guest | Dr. Mary Mathew |
| 5.15PM - 5.30PM | Guest Lecture by Chief Guest | Dr. Meera Baindur |
| 5.30PM - 5.35PM | Introduction of Guest Speaker | Dr. Vikram Palimar |
| 5.35PM - 5.50PM | Guest Talk | Ajinkya D |
| 5.50PM - 5.55PM | Introduction of Student Wing & Co-Chairs | Dr. Swati Sharma |
| 5.55PM - 6.05PM | Presentation of Activities of Student Wing | Sharan Mirchandhani |
| 6.05PM - 6.45PM | Handover Ceremony & Certificate distribution | Parul Malik |
| 6.45PM -7.00PM | Vote of Thanks | Priyanka |



**Collage Competition**

**Theme:** *Faces of Human Dignity & Human Rights*



**Winner of Collage Competition -** *Faces of Human Dignity & Human Rights*

*Tenzin Phakdon – School of Allied Health*

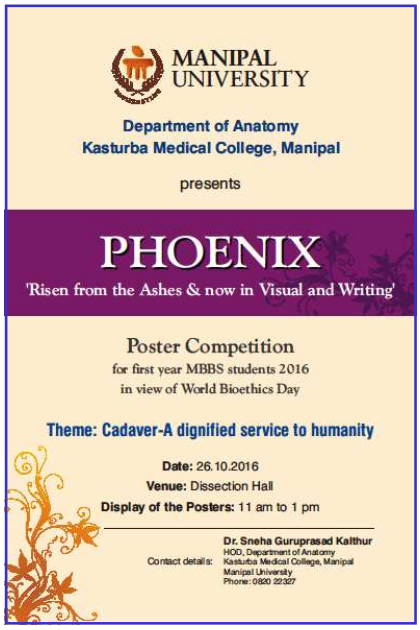
**Winner of Poetry Competition –** *Musings through my Aged Eyes*

*Tenzin Phakdon – School of Allied Health*

**Winner of Essay Competition –** *The Neglected Silver generation of India*

*Vinayaka Jain – Kasturba Medical College, Manipal*

**Poster Competition organized by the Department of Anatomy for WBD Celebrations**



**Induction of new Committee members of the Student Wing**



**President –** *Shraddha Pande*
**Vice President –** *Priyanka*
**Finance Head –** *Priya Pai*
**Joint Secretaries –** *Shushrut & Varshini*
**Editorial Board Heads –** *Jessica, Deeksha, Shivani*
**Batch representatives/PR/ Staff Coordinators –** *Hannah, Priyadarshini, Moneshwar*

## INDIA – MGUMST UNIT

At the Mahatma Gandhi University of Medical Sciences & Technology, Jaipur, the MGUMST Bioethics Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) under the supervision of its Head Professor Dr. Siddharth P. Dubhashi, the programs for the celebration of the or World Bioethics Day (19th October 2016) are the following:

The part 1 consists in the inaugural ceremony, lamp lighting, felicitations, preamble by Unit Head, Speech by Pro-President, MGUMST, speech by President, MGUMST, address by Prof. Dr. M.L. Swarankar Hon'ble Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi University of Medical Sciences & Technology, Jaipur.

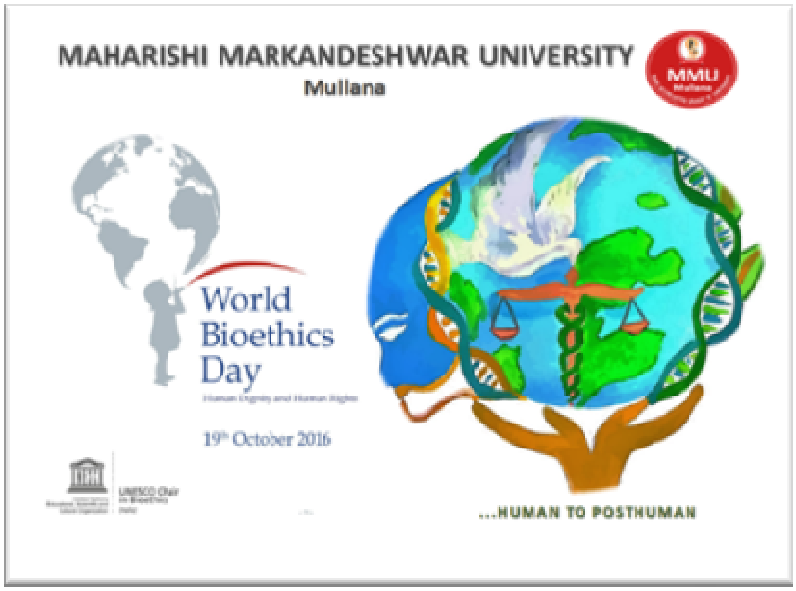
From 10.30 AM to 10.45 AM there has been the speech by representative of UNESCO Chair, followed by the inaugural address by chief guest (Hon'ble Health Minister, Government of Rajasthan). Then there has been the award presentation bot for an active member and for best essay

In the PART 2 of the event, there has been a guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics followed by PART 3, a panel discussion. PART 4 has consisted in a debate competition for Undergraduate Students and PART 5 in a Poster competition for Undergraduate and Postgraduate Students.

The Essay competition for undergraduate students has been held one week prior to the World Bioethics Day. It was also organized a poster exhibition from 2 PM onwards. Part 6 has been the valedictory function (Award for Debate & Poster competitions)

## INDIA – MULLANA UNIT

*Maharishi Markandeswar University*



World Bioethics Day was celebrated by the unit and they had organized the program for two days i.e. 18th and 19th October, 2016. They also had the "Cadaveric Oath" ceremony on 20th October, 2016 for the new MBBS students.

On 18th October a workshop was organized for the postgraduates as per the following schedule. The workshops ran parallel at six places in the Institutes of the medical wing of our university i.e. Medical , Dental, Nursing, Physiotherapy, and Pharmacy.

The schedule was modified/customized as per the suitability to the different courses. The faculty participants of the 3T-IBHSc responded and took up the challenge and agreed to hold workshops in all the constituent colleges.

As a whole total 136 postgraduates from all the institutes were sensitized (using case based discussion and role plays) with various issues related to Bioethics (mentioned below). The workshops have been received very well by the postgraduates.

| TIME | TOPIC |
|---|---|
| 8.30-9.00 AM | Inauguration and Opening Remarks |
| 9.00-9.30 AM | General Principles, History and evolution of codes & Guidelines of Ethics (Codes of Medical Ethics Nuremberg code, Universal declaration of human rights, MCI Code, Helsinki declaration, Tuskegee syphilis trial, Belmont report, CIOMS, Indian Council of Medical Research Guidelines etc.) |
| 9.30-11.00 A.M. | Case based Discussion on Autonomy, Benefit vs. Harm, Privacy and Confidentiality |
| 11.15-12.00 A.M. | Human Dignity and Human Rights (The role of “human dignity” in bioethics; beginning of life/end of life issues) |
| 12.00-12.45 P.M. | Ethics and Research, Vulnerable population, Informed Consent |
| 12.45-1.15 P.M. | Closing Remarks & Valedictory |

In addition, Department of Biotechnology organized an expert talk on 18.10.2016 by Dr. Shet Masih, Director & Sr. Scientist Molecular Diagnostics & Research Laboratories (MDRL) Pvt. Ltd., Chandigarh. Dr. Masih is an expert in the area of Molecular Diagnostics and completed his Ph.D from PGIMER, Chandigarh and Postdoctoral studies from prestigious Harvard University, Bostan USA and IHVR-Drexel University Philadelphia, USA. The topic of the talk was Molecular Diagnostics and Bioethics.

Dr. Masih emphasized on the need of bioethics in research particularly in diagnostics. Various faculty members and around 400 students of the department participated in the event. Students were benefitted from the talk as the topic of the talk coincides with their curriculum.

The department has already introduced the subject of Bioethics and Bio-safety into the curricula of various streams of Biotechnology.

The program on 19th October, 2016 was organized in the Committee Hall of the Maharishi Markandeshwar University. The program was attended by the various faculty members of all the constituent institutes of the medical wing.

Inaugurated of the program was done by the lamp lighting ceremony and the opening speech by Dr. Patnaik V.V. Gopichand, Head, Unit of Bioethics. The program was furthered by a brief session on Ethics and Clinical Practice by Prof. & Head, Medicine and Member Secretary, Institutional Ethics Committee, where he underpinned the importance of upholding the human dignity in the clinical practice.

The session progressed with the words of wisdom from Prof. Nageshwar Iyer, Principal, MM College of Dental Sciences & Research, Mullana in which he highlighted the need and current scenario of Ethics in Dental Practice.

The program was electrified by the enlightening talk on the topic "Ethics: Misconduct and Fraud in Research" by Prof. C.S. Gautam, Deptt. of Pharmacology, Govt. Medical College & Hospital, Chandigarh, in which he brought out the issues related to authorship, plagiarism, salami publications and whistle blowing. He also emphasized the value of indulging in meaningful research and also mentioned that ethics are moral values in action. The guest session was perceived very well by the audience.

The program concluded with the vote of thanks by Dr Manoj Goyal, Secretary Bioethics Unit. The winners of the banner making competition were also given certificates on this day.

In addition, "Cadaveric Oath" ceremony was held on 20th October, 2016 in the dissection hall of the department of Anatomy in our institute in the presence of Prof. Patnaik V.V. Gopichand, Principal and Head of the Bioethics Unit, MMU, Mullana, Dr Nidhi Puri, Prof. & Head Anatomy, Dr Manoj Goyal, Professor, Pharmacology and Secretary, Bioethics Unit, MMU, Mullana and other faculty members of the department.





**Successful participants of workshops**

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Participants of Guest lecture



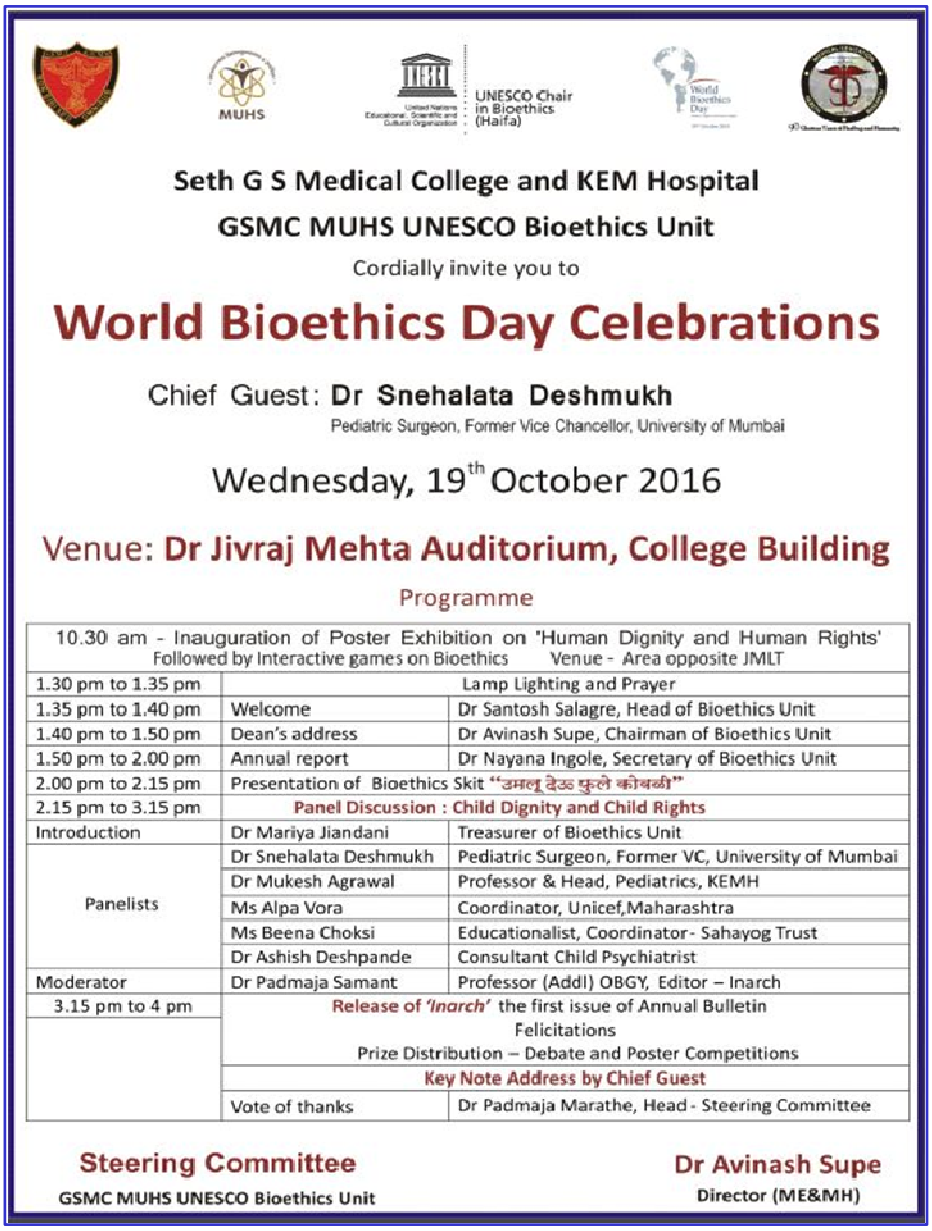
Guest speaker- Prof. C.S. Gautam



## INDIA – MUMBAI GSMC MUHS UNIT

*Seth G S Medical College & K E M Hospital*

At JMLT, Ground floor, Seth G S Medical College, Mumbai, on the 19 October 2016, under the supervision of its Head, Dr. Santosh Salagre the GSMC MUHS UNESCO Bioethics Unit, Seth G S Medical College & K E M Hospital, Mumbai, India has organized a series of events as a part of Celebrations for WBD like a poster Making Competition on Human Dignity & Human Rights, an Ebate - Debate on Ethical Issues on 16th September (12 teams of Undergraduate students participating) and a Guest lecture on "Doctors Without Borders- MSF" on 19th September.



**Seth G S Medical College and KEM Hospital**

**GSMC MUHS UNESCO Bioethics Unit**

Cordially invite you to

# World Bioethics Day Celebrations

Chief Guest: **Dr Snehalata Deshmukh**

Pediatric Surgeon, Former Vice Chancellor, University of Mumbai

Wednesday, 19th October 2016

Venue: **Dr Jivraj Mehta Auditorium, College Building**

Programme

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|---|---|---|
| 10.30 am - Inauguration of Poster Exhibition on 'Human Dignity and Human Rights' Followed by Interactive games on Bioethics Venue - Area opposite JMLT | | |
| 1.30 pm to 1.35 pm | | Lamp Lighting and Prayer |
| 1.35 pm to 1.40 pm | Welcome | Dr Santosh Salagre, Head of Bioethics Unit |
| 1.40 pm to 1.50 pm | Dean's address | Dr Avinash Supe, Chairman of Bioethics Unit |
| 1.50 pm to 2.00 pm | Annual report | Dr Nayana Ingole, Secretary of Bioethics Unit |
| 2.00 pm to 2.15 pm | Presentation of Bioethics Skit "उमलू देऊ फुले कोवळी" | |
| 2.15 pm to 3.15 pm | Panel Discussion : Child Dignity and Child Rights | |
| Introduction | Dr Mariya Jiandani | Treasurer of Bioethics Unit |
| Panelists | Dr Snehalata Deshmukh | Pediatric Surgeon, Former VC, University of Mumbai |
| | Dr Mukesh Agrawal | Professor & Head, Pediatrics, KEMH |
| | Ms Alpa Vora | Coordinator, Unicef,Maharashtra |
| | Ms Beena Choksi | Educationalist, Coordinator- Sahayog Trust |
| | Dr Ashish Deshpande | Consultant Child Psychiatrist |
| Moderator | Dr Padmaja Samant | Professor (Addl) OBGY, Editor – Inarch |
| 3.15 pm to 4 pm | Release of *'Inarch'* the first issue of Annual Bulletin<br>Felicitations<br>Prize Distribution – Debate and Poster Competitions | |
| | Key Note Address by Chief Guest | |
| | Vote of thanks | Dr Padmaja Marathe, Head - Steering Committee |

**Steering Committee**

**GSMC MUHS UNESCO Bioethics Unit**

**Dr Avinash Supe**

**Director (ME&MH)**

This is the flyer for the student debate competition:



**GSMC-MUHS-UNESCO Bioethics Unit**

SETH GS MEDICAL COLLEGE & KEM HOSPITAL, PAREL, MUMBAI-400012

As a part of World Bioethics Day - 2016 Celebrations Students' Wing of Bioethics Unit invites you all for

**Ebate - *the ethical debate***

Don't raise your voice, improve your argument

(Medium - English)

**Friday, 16th September**

1 pm to 4 pm

Venue - JMLT, Ground floor,
Seth G S Medical College

*Winners will be felicitated on 19th October - World Bioethics Day*

Be there one & all for this epic clash of students over the ethics of medicine!
Join us to cheer your friends, as they take a stand in the world of ethical dilemmas for what they believe in !!

*Volunteering with MSF- A medical humanitarian organization in resource - limited conditions*

Awareness Raising Session by MEDECINS SANS FRONTIERES DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS

Speaker: Dr. Bharat Kelkar (Orthopedic Surgeon & MSF Volunteer)

**Monday, 19th September**

2 pm to 4 pm

Who can attend ? UGs, PGs, Interns and Faculty

Venue: JMLT, Ground floor, Seth G S Medical College

Médecins Sans Frontières/Doctors Without Borders (MSF) is an international humanitarian medical organization working in more than 70 countries worldwide. MSF is neutral, impartial, independent, and not linked to any political party or governmental body. It provides emergency medical assistance to people in need, irrespective of their nationality, race or religion. In 1999, MSF was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

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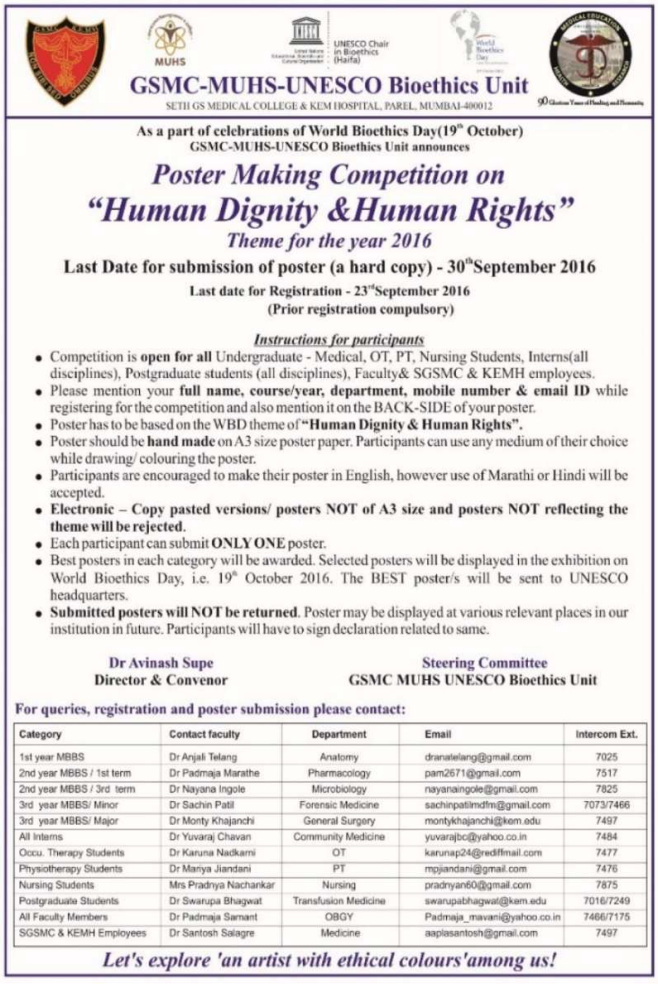
And this is the flyer for the poster competition:



**GSMC-MUHS-UNESCO Bioethics Unit**

SETH GS MEDICAL COLLEGE & KEM HOSPITAL, PAREL, MUMBAI-400012

As a part of celebrations of World Bioethics Day(19th October)
GSMC-MUHS-UNESCO Bioethics Unit announces

***Poster Making Competition on***

***"Human Dignity &Human Rights"***

*Theme for the year 2016*

**Last Date for submission of poster (a hard copy) - 30thSeptember 2016**

**Last date for Registration - 23rdSeptember 2016**
**(Prior registration compulsory)**

***Instructions for participants***

- Competition is **open for all** Undergraduate - Medical, OT, PT, Nursing Students, Interns(all disciplines), Postgraduate students (all disciplines), Faculty& SGSMC & KEMH employees.
- Please mention your **full name, course/year, department, mobile number & email ID** while registering for the competition and also mention it on the BACK-SIDE of your poster.
- Poster has to be based on the WBD theme of **"Human Dignity & Human Rights".**
- Poster should be **hand made** on A3 size poster paper. Participants can use any medium of their choice while drawing/ colouring the poster.
- Participants are encouraged to make their poster in English, however use of Marathi or Hindi will be accepted.
- **Electronic – Copy pasted versions/ posters NOT of A3 size and posters NOT reflecting the theme will be rejected.**
- Each participant can submit **ONLY ONE** poster.
- Best posters in each category will be awarded. Selected posters will be displayed in the exhibition on World Bioethics Day, i.e. 19th October 2016. The BEST poster/s will be sent to UNESCO headquarters.
- **Submitted posters will NOT be returned**. Poster may be displayed at various relevant places in our institution in future. Participants will have to sign declaration related to same.

**Dr Avinash Supe**
**Director & Convenor**

**Steering Committee**
**GSMC MUHS UNESCO Bioethics Unit**

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***Let's explore 'an artist with ethical colours'among us!***

GSMC MUHS, Seth G S Medical College & K E M Hospital Unit program is the following:



**GSMC-MUHS-UNESCO Bioethics Unit**

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# World Bioethics Day Celebrations

## 19th October 2016

**Venue – JMLT, Ground floor, Seth G S Medical College, Mumbai**

**10 am - Inauguration of Poster Exhibition on 'Human Dignity and Human Rights'**

**2.00 pm to 2. 05 pm** - Welcome: Dr Santosh Salagre, Head of Bioethics Unit

**2.05 pm to 2.15 pm** - Opening speech: Dr Avinash Supe, Dean & Director (ME& MH MCGM)

**2.15 pm to 2.30 pm** – Bioethics Skit by Student Wing Members

**2.30 pm to 3.30 pm**

**Panel Discussion:**

***Bioethical Issues in Children related to Human Dignity & Human Rights***

***Introduction of Panelists - Dr Mariya Jiandani***

**Moderator** – Dr Padmaja Samant, Professor (Addl) OBGY, SGSMC & KEMH

**3.30 pm to 4.15 pm**

***World Bioethics Day Celebrations – Felicitations & Awards***

**Introduction & Welcome** - Dr Padmaja Marathe – Head, Steering Committee

- **Release of 'INARCH' – The first issue of Annual Bulletin of GSMC MUHS UNESCO Bioethics Unit and felicitation of contributors**
- **Prize distribution – Poster competition & "Ebate" competition**
- **Address by Chief Guest**
- **Vote of Thanks – Dr Nayana Ingole- Secretary, Bioethics Unit**




Let's play bioethics - interactive games with Dr. Avinash Supe – Chairman



Poster exhibition - human dignity & human rights




Panel Discussion - Child Dignity & Child Rights



Release of Inarch - Unit bulletin



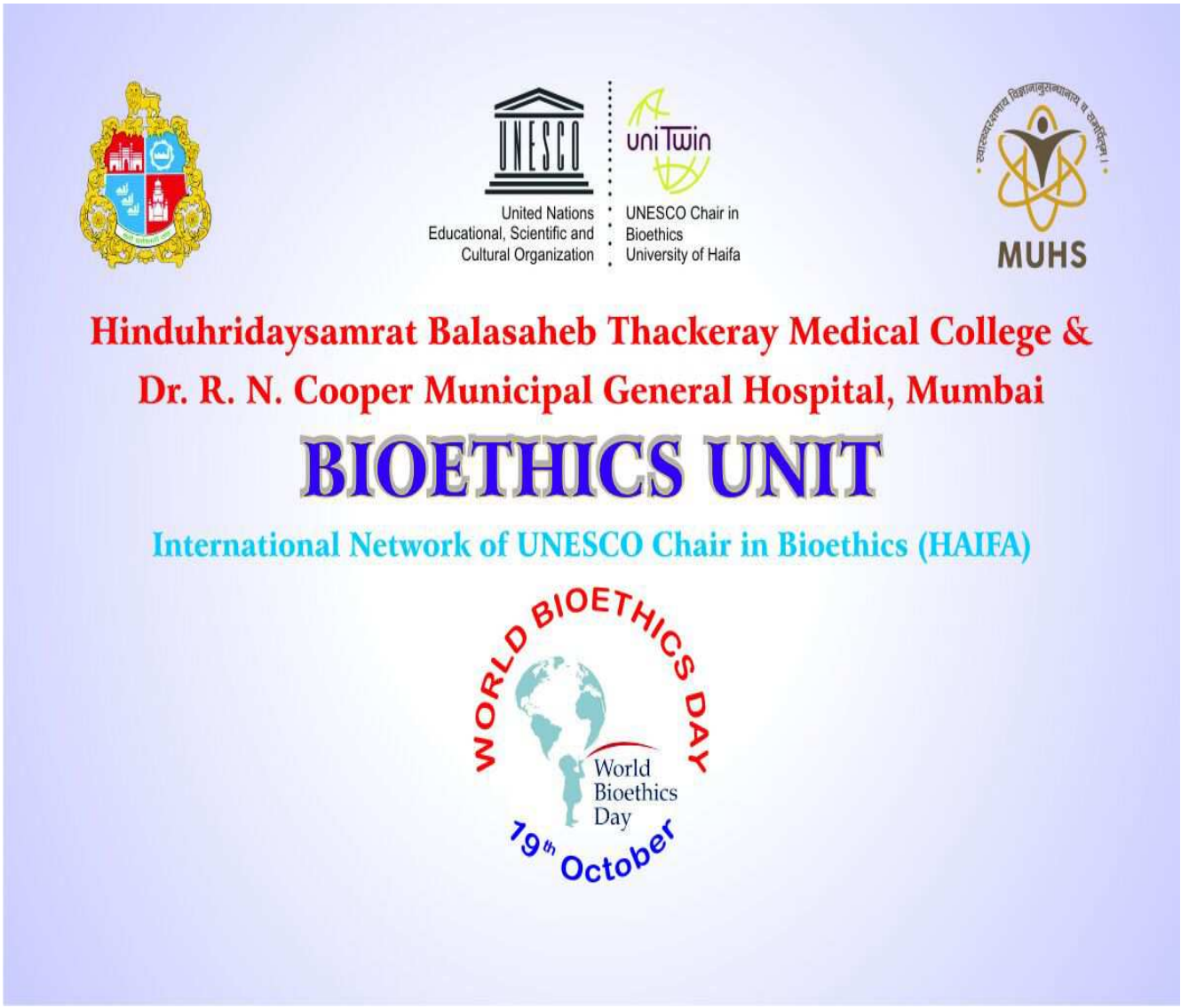
Steering Committee



Students' wing

INDIA - MUMBAI HBTMC & Dr. RNCH UNIT

*H.B.T. Medical College & Dr. R. N. Cooper Municipal General Hospital*




The world Bioethics Day celebration programme was organized by the Bioethics Unit of HBTMC & Dr RN Cooper Mun. Gen. Hospital on 19th Oct 2016 from 9.30 am – 1.45pm.

This programme was attended by members of the steering committee, Bioethics unit, faculty at HBTMC & DR RNCH, and 1st as well as 2nd year MBBS students.




At the outset Dr Sophia welcomed all the dignitaries, faculty and students present. Dr Pandit who is the Head, Bioethics Unit, at HBTMC & RNCH briefed the audience about the aims of Bioethics and how the importance of bioethics can be taught to their medical students in their routine teaching activities. He then elaborated on the theme of this year's bioethics programme ie. Human Dignity and Human Rights and its relevance in the present times. Dr. Ganesh Shinde, Chairman, Bioethics Unit and Dean, HBTMC & RNCH then Congratulated Dr. Pandit for organizing the programme. He emphasized the importance of respecting the patient's rights and dignity in clinical practice. He also stated that organizing such activities from time to time would definitely sensitize our students to ethical practices in future.

Dr. Sagar Mundada, Assisstant Professor, Dept. Psychiatry , Seth GSMC & KEMH , gave a talk on "The Journey of Human Rights in Mental Health". He spoke on the evolution of guidelines related to psychiatric treatments and various amendments that happened over past few years related to the rights of patients with mental illness. His talk was very informative, instructional and illuminating with regards to the rights and dignity of mentally ill patients.

This session was followed by the talk on "Protecting the Rights and Dignity of Research Participants" by Dr. Vikram Londhe, Associate professor, Dept. of Medicine, HBTMC & RNCH. He gave a comprehensive talk on how the rights of research participants are being protected when they are participating in any clinical trial. His talk included four main principles of research ethics, responsibilities of Institutional Ethics committee, informed consent – a process, and essential elements of informed consent.

Followed by this. Dr. Medhinee Kulkarni, Asst. Professor, Dept of Pharmacology, HBTMC & RNCH spoke on the topic “Religion and Healthcare: A Crosstalk”.




She spoke on how various religious practices and food habits of patients from different religion needs to be respected and also it should always respect patient’s beliefs while treating. After this there was a session on” Emphasis on soft skills In Doctor Patient Dialogue ”by Mrs. Vidula Patil, Counselor, Dept. of PSM, HBTMC & RNCH. Her talk was very thought provoking and grasped the attention of everyone as she gave few examples where the poor communication between the doctor and patients has an impact on the doctor patient relationship. She stated the importance of having an eye contact with patient, and listening to them. She said that listening, learning and mentoring is something that will help in improving the doctor –patient communication.

This was followed by the students activity wherein they had arranged a debate on two cases which had issues related to patient’s rights. Two groups of students (4 Each) were given the task of speaking for and against the question asked. Two students acted as moderators and moderated the session. It was planned very well. Students and faculty too enjoyed and appreciated this activity.



The programme ended with vote of thanks given by Dr Kiran Bhave, Professor, Dept. of Pharmacology, HBTMC & RNCH. All those present were given the working lunch with tea and coffee.








## INDIA – MUMBAI MUHS UNIT

*K. J. Somaiya Medical College Hospital and Research Centre*

The World Bioethics Day 2016 Program of the K. J. Somaiya Medical College Hospital and Research Centre, K J Somaiya – MUHS – UNESCO Bioethics Unit, under the supervision of its Head Dr Geeta Niyogi, has opened the celebrations with the opening speech by Dr Geeta Niyogi, who has talked about "Human Right and Human Dignity", then the local representative: Dr Sunil Kadam has given a speech on "Negligence in Medical Practice".

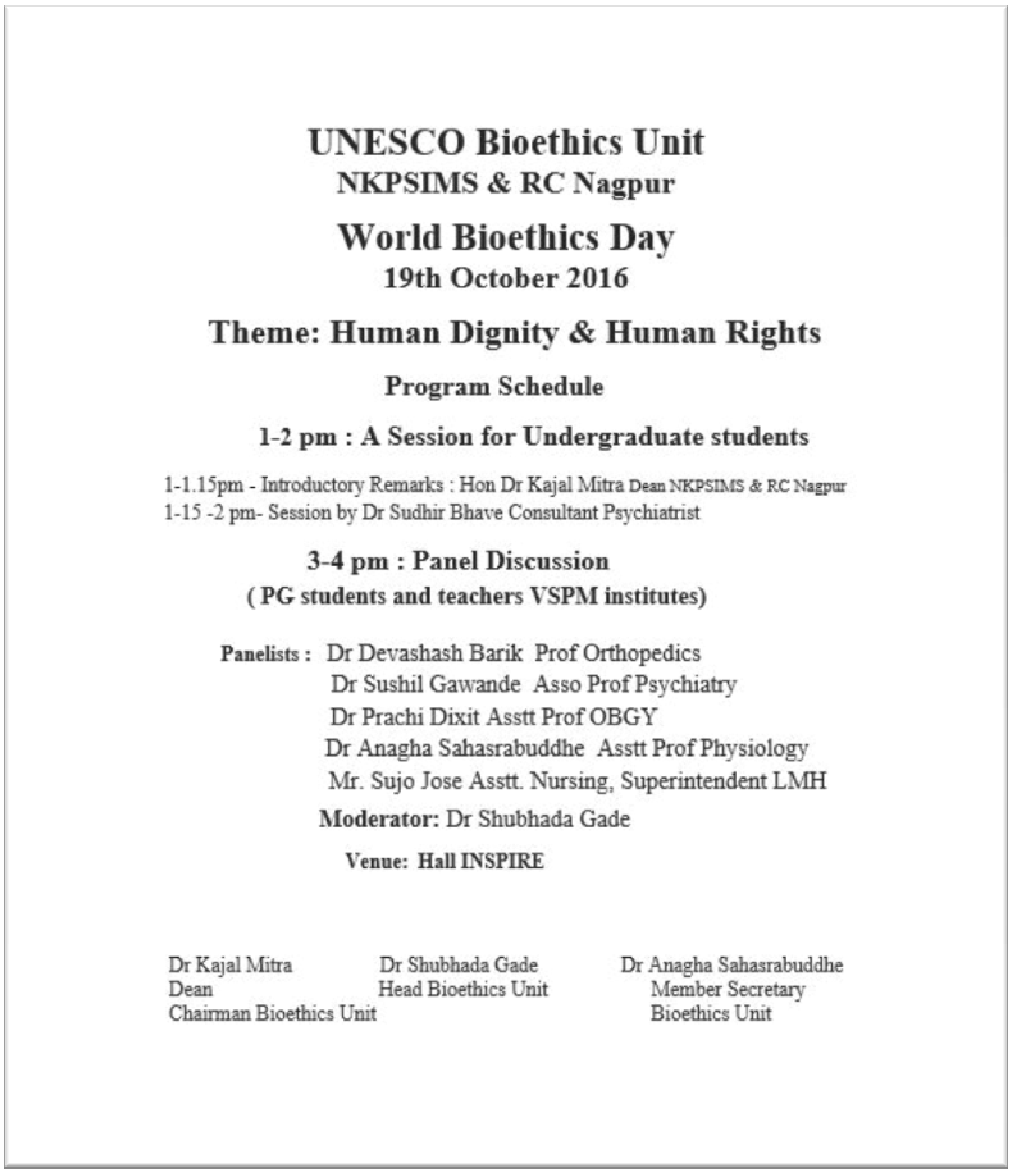
The guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics has been cured by Dr Yeolekar, on the theme "Doctor Patient Relationship".

For 2 hours at the K J Somaiya Medical College Hospital and Research Centre Conference Hall, dedicated to an audience of MBBS Students, Faculty, Junior staff, PG residents, UG students and Paramedics (Nursing and other supporting staff) and other stakeholders, it has been organized a poster exhibition on the following topics: 1) Autonomy 2) Do No Harm 3) Informed Consent 4) Doctor Patient Communication.



## INDIA – NKPSIMS & RC, NAGPUR UNIT

The Unit under the supervision of its Head, Dr. Shubhada Gade has opened the celebration of the world bioethics day with the speech of Dr. Kajal Mitra, Dean, NKPSIMS & RC, Nagpur, followed by the guest lecture of Dr. Sushil Gawande, consultant psychiatrist. In addition, there has been a panel discussion with Dr. Devashash Barik, Prof. Ortopedist; Dr. Sushil Gawande, Ass Prof. Psychiatry; Dr. Prachi Dixit, Assisit. Prof. OBGY; dr. Anagha Sashasrabuddhe, Assis. Prof. Psychology; Mr. Sujo Jose, Assist. Nursing Superintendent LMH, with the moderation of Shibhada Gade.



**UNESCO Bioethics Unit**
**NKPSIMS & RC Nagpur**

**World Bioethics Day**
**19th October 2016**

**Theme: Human Dignity & Human Rights**

**Program Schedule**

**1-2 pm : A Session for Undergraduate students**

1-1.15pm - Introductory Remarks : Hon Dr Kajal Mitra Dean NKPSIMS & RC Nagpur
1-15 -2 pm- Session by Dr Sudhir Bhave Consultant Psychiatrist

**3-4 pm : Panel Discussion**
**( PG students and teachers VSPM institutes)**

**Panelists :** Dr Devashash Barik Prof Orthopedics
Dr Sushil Gawande Asso Prof Psychiatry
Dr Prachi Dixit Asstt Prof OBGY
Dr Anagha Sahasrabuddhe Asstt Prof Physiology
Mr. Sujo Jose Asstt. Nursing, Superintendent LMH

**Moderator:** Dr Shubhada Gade

**Venue: Hall INSPIRE**

Dr Kajal Mitra
Dean
Chairman Bioethics Unit

Dr Shubhada Gade
Head Bioethics Unit

Dr Anagha Sahasrabuddhe
Member Secretary
Bioethics Unit

## INDIA – VPMCRCH NASHIK UNIT

This Bioethics Unit with its Medical college Dean, and Chairman, Bioethics Unit, Dr. Mrunal Patil along with Dr. Parikshit Muley, (Secretary, Bioethics Unit) and Dr. Pradip Barde, (Unit Head) Dr. VPMCHRC, NASHIK, have got very enthusiastic response from students as well as faculty with more than 100 entries in essay competition and more than 50 entries in poster competition on occasion of WBD-2016 Celebrations.



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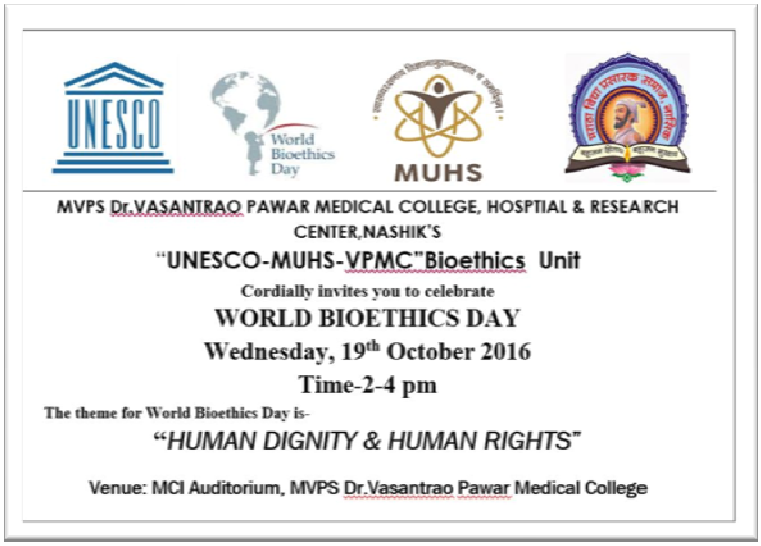
"UNESCO-MUHS-VPMC" BIOETHICS UNIT

Schedule of celebration of World Bioethics Day-2016

Human Dignity and Human Rights

| Time | | Programme | By |
|---|---|---|---|
| 10:30 am | | Inauguration of Poster exhibition | Dean Dr. Mrs. Mrunal Patil, Chairman, Bioethics Unit |
| 1:30 pm | | Lamp Lighting ceremony | Dr. Neeta Gangurde, Member of Bioethics Unit |
| 1:40 pm | 1:50 pm | Welcome address | Dr. P. B. Barde, Head, Bioethics Unit |
| 1:50 pm | 2:10 pm | Dean's Address | Dr. Mrs. Mrunal Patil, Chairman, Bioethics Unit |
| 2:10 pm | 2:20 pm | Annual Report | Dr. P. A. Muley, Secretary, Bioethics Unit |
| 2:20 pm | 3:20 pm | "Doctor Who?" competition AND Panel Discussion | Students wing, Bioethics Unit |
| 3:20 pm | 3:50 pm | Address of chief guest (Human Dignity and Human Rights: Current Scenario in Health Care System in India) | Chief Guest |
| 3:50 pm | 4:00 pm | Prize distribution- essay & poster | |
| 4:00 pm | 4:05 pm | Vote of thanks | Dr. Vrushali Surgikar Member of Bioethics Unit |

2nd year MBBS students undergone training for Bioethics last year: after introduction of Bioethics last year, they all have shown great zeal and given intelligent inputs for the human dignity and human rights during Panel discussion held on 15th October 2016 by Department of community medicine along with our Unit.



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"UNESCO-MUHS-VPMC"Bioethics Unit

Cordially invites you to celebrate

WORLD BIOETHICS DAY

Wednesday, 19th October 2016

Time-2-4 pm

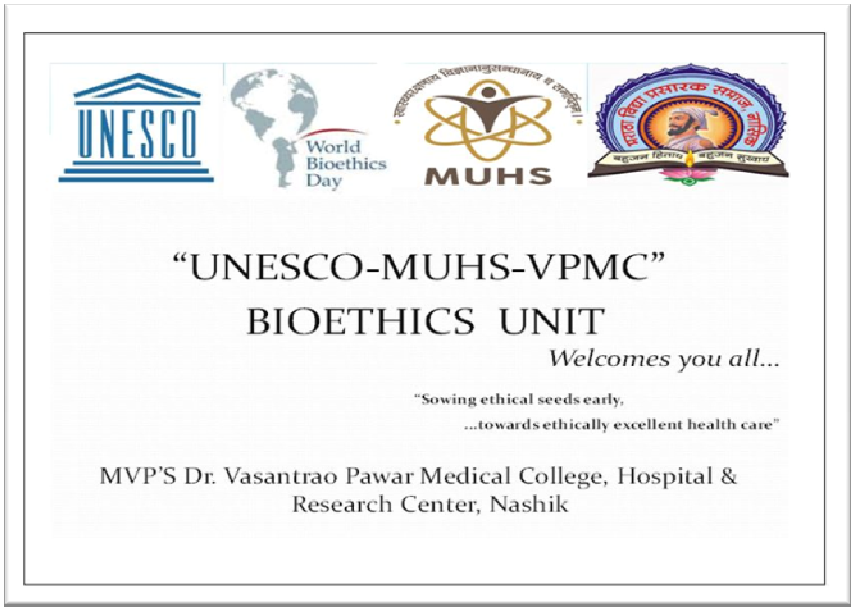
The theme for World Bioethics Day is-

*"HUMAN DIGNITY & HUMAN RIGHTS"*

Venue: MCI Auditorium, MVPS Dr.Vasantrao Pawar Medical College

Professors have been deeply impressed and motivated to teach students next level this year based on their thought provoking inputs keeping all the UNESCO principles of Bioethics at center stage of their thought process. Professors feel privileged to be part of this momentum started by

their great and devoted guide Dr. Russell D'souza with all team, who steering the Indian programme flawlessly which abled us to reach this stage of awareness for Bioethics in India and kept us all going and going on this altruistic path.




## INDIA – NATIONAL BOARD EXAMINATIONS UNIT

Under the supervision of Prof. (dr.) Bipin Batra of the National Board of Examinations Unit, the world bioethics day celebration has hosted many guests like Dr. Abhijat Sheth, President, NBE; Dr. Smita Deshpande, Professor and Head; Dr. Bhabatosh Biswas, Vice Chancellor, Dr. O P Kalra, Vice Chancellor.

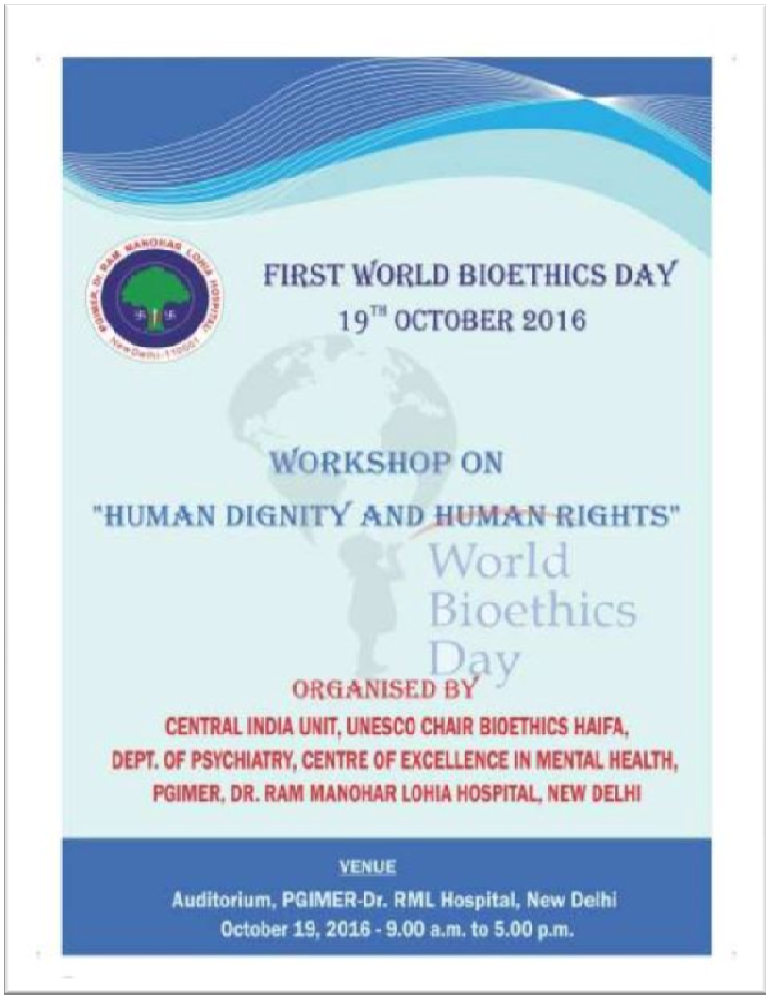
The panel discussion has been as following: Dr Subodh Gupta, Chairman, Ethics Committee of DMC; Dr. Girish Tyagi , Secy, DMC; Dr Anupam Sachdev ; Director, Academics, SGRH; Dr. A K Agarwal, Advisor Education – Apollo Foundation.

After the discussion there has been a debate competition on the "current regulations for professional ethics – Reasonable or scope for review?" The poster exhibition will last three days at the NBE office Ansari Nagar for a target audience of PG Students.

## INDIA - NEW DELHI UNIT

*Post Graduate Institute MED, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, Central India*

UNESCO New Delhi Unit has organized a Workshop on Human Dignity and Human Rights, by the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics of Haifa, Israel, to mark the adoption by UNESCO of the Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights on 19 October 2005. The Central India Unit of the Chair is based at the Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research – Dr Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital in Delhi – where the event has taken place.




Following an article by Dr. Smita N. Deshpande, Head of the Unit and Professor & Head, Department of Psychiatry & De-addiction Services; Centre of Excellence in Mental Health, PGIMER, Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia Hospital, New Delhi, and member of Council for National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences.

“Rapid strides in medical technology with an artificial human being almost in sight, designer babies, organ and gene replacements, are all creating an explosion of ethical dilemmas in medicine. Where should technology stop? The world is becoming more ‘anthropocentric’, to the extent that entire species of other animals are disappearing. On the clinical level, conflict between medical practitioners and their patients is becoming more and more common today. At least

partly, this is due to failure to recognize each other as individuals and human beings, each with their own rights.

The need of the day is to adopt 'global ethics' (a term coined by the American biochemist Van Rensellaer Potter) to indicate ethical science devoted to protecting the environment and our own future species. Named 'bioethics', these are ethical principles based on sound transcultural understanding. The UNESCO Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights, adopted on 19 October 2005 codifies these principles.

Among them, the first principle is that of Human Dignity and Human Rights: (Article 3): 1. Human dignity, human rights and fundamental freedoms are to be fully respected. 2. The interests and welfare of the individual should have priority over the sole interest of science or society (see http://www.unesco.org/new/en/social-and-human-sciences/themes/bioethics/ bioethics-and-human-rights/). Based on this principle, more than 114 Units across the world will mark the First World Bioethics Day with a uniform program on topics around human dignity and rights.

In 2001, the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics was established at the International Center of Health, Law and Ethics, University of Haifa. The UNECO Chair Haifa, headed by Prof. Amnon Carmi, gradually established a number of Units at medical Universities all across the world. Their aim was to form a network to 'coordinate and stimulate an International Network of Institutes for Medical Ethics Training (NIMED)'. The UNESCO Chair of Bioethics is tasked with developing a culturally sensitive yet responsive syllabus in ethics for medical schools all over the world.

Dr. Russell D'Souza, an Indian psychiatrist settled in Australia is heads the Asia Pacific region for the UNESCO Bioethics Chair, Haifa. The Indian Medical Association, Medical Council of India, National Board of Examinations, and Vice-chancellors of several health Universities in India are all Units of UNESCO Chair. Units for medical students are also being formed. Among such units, the Central India Unit is based at PGIMER-Dr. RML Hospital in Delhi. The International Forum of Teachers in Bioethics has been established for membership to medical teachers who are already trained in bioethics.

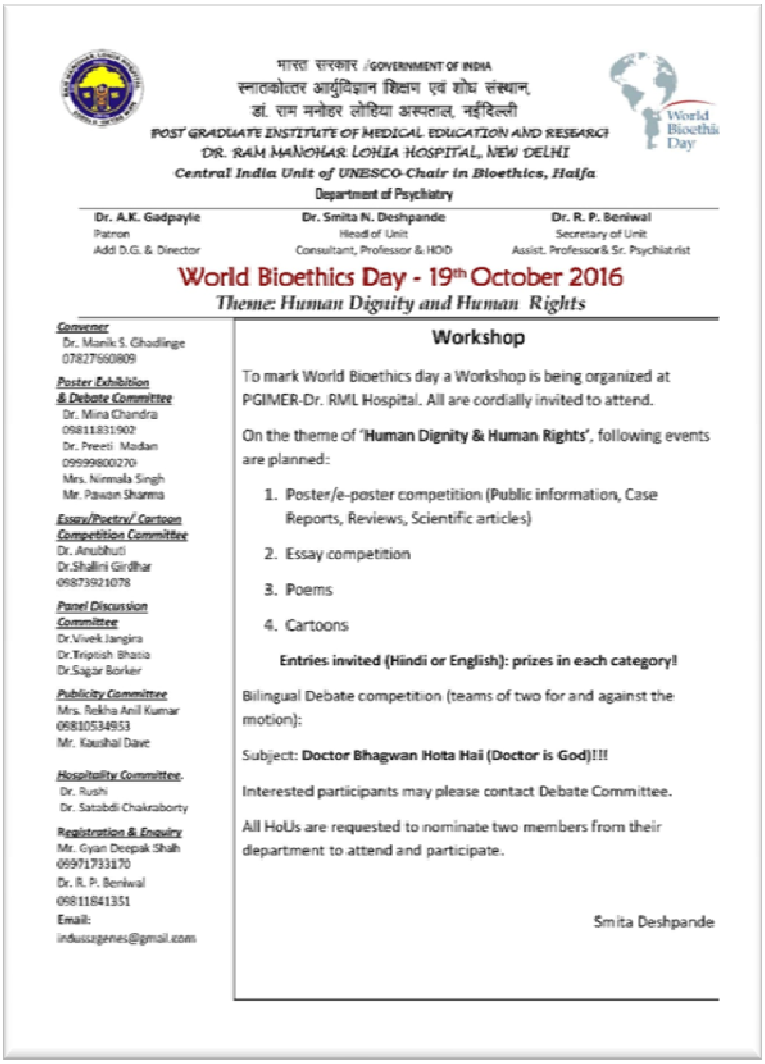
All Units meet at least once a year to discuss progress and formulate future plans. At their Annual Meeting in 2015, a decision was taken to mark the signing of the UNESCO Universal Declaration by observing a World Bioethics Day, with programs focused on the First Principle of Bioethics- Human Dignity and Human Rights.

The UNESCO bioethical principles are: Respect for human dignity and human rights (Article 3.1); Priority of the individual's interests and welfare over the sole interest of science or society (Article 3.2); Beneficence and non-maleficence (Article 4); Autonomy (Article 5); Informed consent (Article 6); Protection of persons unable to consent (Article 7); Special attention to vulnerable persons (Article 8); Privacy and confidentiality (Article 9); Equality, justice and equity (Article 10); Non-discrimination and non-stigmatization (Article 11); Respect for cultural diversity and pluralism (Article 12); Solidarity and cooperation (Article 13); Access to healthcare and essential medicines (Article 14); Benefit sharing (Article 15); Protection of future generations (Article 16); Protection of the environment, the biosphere and biodiversity (Article 17). Thus, these principles not only emphasize the imperative changes we should bring in our attitudes and behaviour to-

wards each other, but also to the environment and to other species. To improve the applicability and acceptability of these Principles among the healthcare fraternity, a novel case based approach is used. A number of 'casebooks' illustrating principles of bioethics are available free on the net (Casebook Series, Bioethics Core Curriculum http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0019/001923/192371e.pdf).

It is recognised that many ethical questions that doctors face daily- around right to care of the terminally ill, ability to make decisions for oneself, use of specific interventions without recognising religious or cultural practices; do not have any black or white answers. An informed yet culturally sensitive and humanitarian approach is needed to deal with such complex issues which have multifaceted dimensions and have no easy answers. These case dilemmas aim to focus on these issues and encourage dialogue and discussion.

As the Bioethics Movement widens, it is hoped that not only will health care improve, but also mutual respect and recognition between patients and their healthcare providers will enter a more informed and respectful phase".



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World Bioethics Day - 19th October 2016
*Theme: Human Dignity and Human Rights*

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## Workshop

To mark World Bioethics day a Workshop is being organized at PGIMER-Dr. RML Hospital. All are cordially invited to attend.

On the theme of '**Human Dignity & Human Rights**', following events are planned:

1. Poster/e-poster competition (Public information, Case Reports, Reviews, Scientific articles)
2. Essay competition
3. Poems
4. Cartoons

**Entries invited (Hindi or English): prizes in each category!**

Bilingual Debate competition (teams of two for and against the motion):

Subject: **Doctor Bhagwan Hota Hai (Doctor is God)!!!**

Interested participants may please contact Debate Committee.

All HoUs are requested to nominate two members from their department to attend and participate.

Smita Deshpande

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Lighting the lamp- from left: Smita N. Deshpande Head Central India UNESCO Bioethics Haifa Unit, Dr. R. Sood, Dean PGIMER-RMLH, Dr. Soumya Swaminathan Secretary Dept. of Health Research & DG, ICMR, Dr. A.K. Gadpayle, Addl. DG, Director & Medical Superintendent PGIMER-RMLH, Shri J.S. Kochar National Human Rights Commission, Poonam Natarajan Ex-Chief, National Trust for Persons with for the Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy, Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities, Dimpy Mahajan, & Dr. Satabdi Chakraborty Asso. Prof, Psychiatric Social Work.





Shri J.S. Kochar National Human Rights Commission, spoke about initiatives by NHRC in health sector to enforce human dignity

Chief Guest Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, Secretary Dept. of Health Research, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. Of India informed about the proposed revised ICMR Guidelines for Research in Human Subjects







Thoughtful Judges (Debate): L-R- Drs. Vijay Jain, Om Sai, Poonam Yadav, Nikhil Khattar, Vijay Jain

Winners-debate





Participant-debate







Intense audience involvement in debate



Talk by Prof. R.K.Sharma, Forensic Expert of Influence of Social Media on Human Rights, Chaired by Drs. V.K. Gupta (Head, Dept. of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery) and Neeraj Pandit (Head, Cardiology), PGIMER-Dr. RMLH

## INDIA – NODAL AMRITA UNIT
*SARRC Region*

The Nodal SARRC region at Amrita unit, under the supervision of its Head, Dr. D. Dineshan has celebrated the World Bioethics Day 2016 at AIMS on 19th October 2016 with the following program:



UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)

**UNESCO Bioethics Chair at AIMS**
**Nodal Centre for SAARC region**

**PROGRAMME**
**WORLD BIOETHICS DAY celebration**
**19th October 2016**

10 :00 – 10:05 **PRAYER**

10:05 -10:10 **WELCOME ADDRESS**
Prof Dr.Dineshan
UNESCO BIOETHICS CHAIR at AMRITA

10:10 -10:15 **OBJECTIVES AND FUTURE PLANS**
Prof Dr.Chandrasekar Janakiram
Secretary UNESCO BIOETHICS CHAIR at AMRITA

10:15 -10:20 **SPECIAL ADDRESS**
Dr.Prem Nair
Medical Director AIMS

10:20 -11:15 **INAUGRATION** of **WORLD BIOETHICS DAY celebration** by Lamp Lighting and **GUEST ORATION** By Padmashree Dr.Madhava Menon
TOPIC – **"Health as a fundamental right"**

**AWARD CEREMONY** - POSTER and ESSAY Competition Winners

**FELICITATION**

11:15 – 11:20 Dr.Prathapan Nair, Principal at AMRITA School of Medicine

11:20 – 11:25 Dr.Balagopal Varma, - Principal at AMRITA School of Dentistry

11:25- 11:30 K.T.Molly, Dean at AMRITA School of Nursing

11:30-11:35 **VOTE OF THANKS** by Dr.Girish Kumar, HOD Emergency Medicine

11:45–01:15 **PANEL DISCUSSION "How Bioethics Is Important For Health Care Provider"**

01:15-02:00 **LUNCH**

02:15 – 3:30 **DEBATE COMPETITION "Patients Rights Vs Doctors Rights"**

The debate competition title was "Doctors rights Versus Patients' rights; they have been five entries for and against of the topic. The debate was opened to all and the duration for each participant was 8 minutes. The Essay Writing Competition was on "Human Dignity and Research participants": it was open to all undergraduate and postgraduate students in Amrita Campus.

## MIMER Medical College, Talegaon, Pune .

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) has announced the First celebration of "WORLD BIOETHICS DAY" globally on 19th Oct.2016. The theme for this years celebration is 'Human dignity and Human Rights.'

At MIMER , the celebrations began with Debate Competition & Essay competition for UG students—On 3rd October we had Debate competition on : "*Is it ethical for doctors to go on a strike*?" & 5th October 2016,Essay Competition on : "*Human Dignity & Surrogacy motherhood*" Students gave overwhelming response to these competitions. Best Team & Best Speakers took away the Prizes.

On 13thOctober, a Workshop on Medical Ethics was arranged for around 40 teachers and PG residents. Very Important topics like '*Professionalism & principles of Bioethics'* by Dr. Santosh Salagre, '*Organ donation ethics'* By Dr. Mahesh Asalkar, '*Health Laws'* by Dr. Praveen Arora, &'*Publication Ethics'* by Dr. Amitav Banerjee were covered in this workshop. Felicitation for the dignitaries were done.

The world's very first Bioethics day was celebrated with much fervor and gaiety at the MIMER Medical College, Talegaon Dabhade on 19th Oct 2016 by the MIMER Unit of the UNESCO chair of the Bioethics Haifa.

The function was inaugurated by the Ex-VC of MUHS Dr. Arun Jamkar, Principal of MIMER Medical College Dr. Alka Sontakke, Vice-Principal Dr. Swati Belsare and the Medical Superintendent Dr. More.

Dr. Aastha Pandey conducted the ceremony for the day. Dr. Vaishali Korde, Prof OBGY, opened the session by delivering an introductory address about the importance and significance of the day and highlighting key Bioethical principals.

The winners of the debate competition Manalee Das and Satyajeet Rakh were thereafter invited to present their views for 10 min each. This was followed by a small talk by Aishwarya Dalvi ,the winner of the essay writing competition on the ethics of surrogate motherhood.

Dr. Harshal Sabane introduced Dr. Jamkar to the audience and thereafter Dr. Jamkar delivered his keynote address on "*Bioethics in Medical Education*". He deliberated on Bioethics from the context of ancient Indian cultural practices to modern day ethical interventions. He elaborated on the numerous interventions that he has been taking in this field which were galvanized during his tenure as the VC.

The Principal felicitated Dr. Jamkar and shared her thoughts with the gathering. The vote of

thanks was proposed by Dr. Harshal followed up by the customary playing of the Pasayadan. The function was attended by over 200 participants consisting of undergraduate medical students, interns, faculty members and support staff of the institution. The organization of the event successfully achieved its objective of sensitizing the medical students and the fraternity about the ever increasing need to taking bioethics in the day-to-day practice of the healthcare professional.



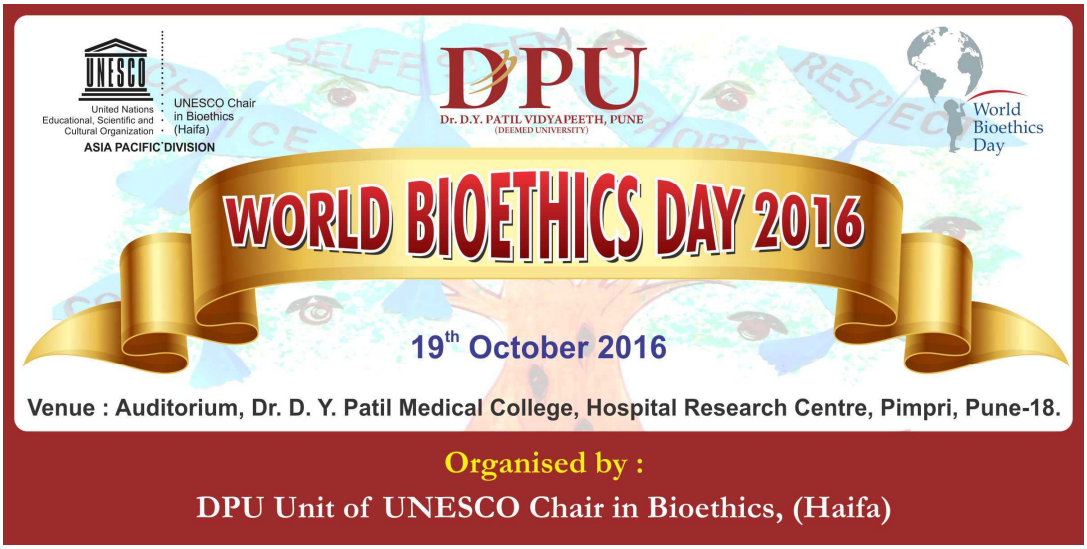







## INDIA - PUNE UNIT

*Maharashtra State, DPU*




DPU Unit has started celebrations on 29th August with pre-World Bioethics Day events that have been followed by the great celebrations on the 19th October 2016.

After lamp lighting and felicitations of Guests, the Unit inaugurated the event with Bioethics Video Song" Articolo 3", which was sent by Hon'ble Chair's office. It made the beginning very impressive, specially due the fact that students' had prepared that video.

It was followed by opening speech by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Dr. P. N. Razdan, Institutional representative Dr. A. L. Kakrani and Dr. P. Vatsalaswamy as representative of UNESCO Chair. This followed by Vote of thanks by Head of DPU Unit Dr. Praveen Arora.

Dr. Anant Bhan an eminent figure in Bioethics, a bioethicist and researcher by profession delivered guest lecture on "Human Dignity and Human Rights". Lecture was very well appreciated by the audience, most of whom were students.

Lecture was followed by Panel Discussion on "Ethical Considerations in Surrogacy Regulation Bill -2016", the panelist were Dr. (Brig.) Amarjit Singh, Dr. P. Vatsalaswamy, Dr. Amol (Surrogacy expert), Dr. Anant Bhan (Bioethicist), Adv. Rigved (legal expert). Panel discussion was much appreciated by faculty members and students alike.



Post—lunch session began with "Hidden Genes", the movie sent by Hon'ble Chair and discussion of bioethical issues in the same. A very touching movie, very prominently depicting medical and social bioethical issues.



Students debate on "Is our Social environment conducive for ethical practices?" observed overwhelming participation and response from students.



The function ended with the display of posters of "Poster making competition" and prize distribution ceremony.

Prize distribution ceremony




Street Play team of Medical College Students




Street Play team of Nursing College Students




Student Deepali Yadav receiving UNESCO Chair in Bioethics certificate of First Prize in International Poster Competition

United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)
ASIA PACIFIC DIVISION

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World Bioethics Day

# WORLD BIOETHICS DAY 2016 PROGRAMS

## *Pre-World Bioethics Day Events*

**29th August 2016**

Poster Exhibition: (Theme: Human Dignity and Human Rights) **MET Hall, 3rd Floor, DYPMC**

**1st - 15th September 2016**

Essay Writing Competition **(Topic : Death with Dignity)**

**17th October 2016**

**Time : 11:30 am – 12:15 pm** Nukkad Natak by Students of Nursing College near OPD Complex

**18th October 2016**

**Time : 11:30 am – 12:15 pm** Street play by Students of Medical College near OPD Complex

## 19th October 2016 (World Bioethics Day)

**Venue : Auditorium Dr. D. Y. Patil Medical College, Hospital Research Centre, Pimpri, Pune-18.**

**Part I.** Inauguration: 9:30 am

a. **9:30-9:35 am : Opening with Bioethics Video Song (Articolo 3)**
b. **9:35-9:45 am : Opening speech** Dr. P. N. Razdan, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of DPU
c. **9:45-9:55 am : Local representative** Dr. A. L. Kakrani, Dean, Faculty of Medicine, DPU
d. **9:55-10:30 am : Representative of UNESCO Chair**
e. **10:30-10:40 am : Award for active member**

Tea Break: **10:40-11:00 am**

**Part 2. 11:00-11:45 am : Guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics**
**Dr. Anant Bhan,** Researcher, Bioethicist & Global Health, Adjunct Visiting Professor Yenepoya University, Mangalore, Karnataka, India
**Part 3. 11:45 am - 12:45 pm : Panel Discussion**
**Topic : Ethical consideration of surrogacy(regulation) bill - 2016**

Lunch Break: **12:45-1:30 pm**

**Part 4: 1:30-2:30 pm : Bioethics Movie (Hidden Genes) and discussion:**
**Part 5. 2:30-3:30 pm : Student's Debate Competition**
**Topic: Is our social environment conducive for ethical practices?**

Tea Break: **3:30-3:45 pm**

**Part 6. 3:45–4:00 pm : Poster Exhibition:** (Theme: Human Dignity and Human Rights)
Display of soft copies of exhibited posters: **19th October 2016;**
**Part 7. 4:00–4:30 pm : Valedictory Function**

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**Organised by :**

**DPU Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, (Haifa)**

The World Bioethics Day plan by Medical Students' Association of India (MSAI) has consisted in celebrating the World Bioethics Day pan India through their network of students in various medical Colleges across India: the students involved their colleagues through International and National students' bodies and associations like, IFMSA, African Students' Bioethics program and later MSAI.

They have planned lot of activities and promoting the day through facebook and instagram campaign. They have intelligently planned most of the activities online (essay competitions, debates, webinar, poster competition). They have also prepared a Mascot to promote the day.




The Head wanted to sincerely thank Prof. Russell d'Souza sir, for his vision and involving MSAI in Indian Program of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa without which this development would not have been possible.

The World Bioethics Day at MSAI has been conducted under the guidance of Dr. Khalid Ahmad and Hansel Misquitta. This has been the schedule of the events:

- Essay writing Competition: online essay writing competition with the last day of submission being 16 October 11.59 PM IST results announced on the 19th October

- Online Debate contest: first screening round and semifinal round has been on an online portal in a written form, selected teams then have had a final rebuttal round on Skype on 19th October

- Banner competition: Last date of submission is 16 October and the winning banner has been choosed as the official banner for the 19th WBD day events at MSAI

- Online campaign: including hashtags, selfies also mascot created by the illustration team, case studies, memes on Facebook and Instagram depicting Human Rights and Human Dignity

- Seminar: Few colleges in Maharashtra have conducted at introduction to Bioethics for the first year students to introduce them and encourage them to learn more about the subject. Interactive seminar on 19th October at SKNMC, Pune

- Human rights awareness campaign: Skits and role plays at the hospital or public area to spread awareness about their human rights.

## INDIA - PUNJAB UNIT

*Baba Farid University of Health Sciences, Faridkot*

The Punjab State Nodal Bioethics Centre Unit, under the supervision of the Head of the Unit Prof. Rajeev Manhas has celebrated the World Bioethics Day with an event opened by Prof. Raj Bahadur, Vice Chancellor, BFUHS, Faridkot, Punjab, who has talked about “Ethics in medical profession”, followed by the guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics like Professor Emeritus R.C. Mahajan, PGIMER, Chandigarh (Chairman University Ethics Committee).

The Chair has also organized an essay writing competition and a debate competition in the month of September 2016 and winners have been awarded on the 19th of October.

## INDIA - SANTOSH UNIVERSITY UNIT

Under the supervision of its Head, Dr. B.R. Sharma, at Santosh University Unit it will be organized an entire week of celebrations, the "BIOETHICS WEEK" from 6th September—9th September 2016.

Following events were organized:
POSTER PRESENTATION: Date: 6th Sep 2016 at 2 pm onwards; Venue: Maharaja Hall; TOPIC: "Bioethics in Clinical Practice". No. of posters presented were four. A hard copy of the poster was displayed followed by E-poster presentation. A team of judges evaluated each poster based on guidelines given.

Judges for the event were: Dr Jyoti Batra, Vice Dean Research &Prof Biochemistry, Chairperson; Dr. Anshu Sharma, Prof and HOD Ophthalmology Member; Dr. S. V. Singh, Prof and HOD Prosthodontics, Member; Dr. Nisha Kaul, Prof Anatomy, Member. After evaluation the prizes were given to the winners:
First prize: Ms. Khusboo Aggarwal
Second Prize: Ms. Neha Jha
Third Prize: Ms. Srishty




GUEST LECTURE: Date: 7th Sep 2016 at 2 pm onwards, Venue: Maharaja Hall. The speakers were: Dr O.P Murty, Professor and HOD, Forensic Medicine and Toxicology, AIIMS, New Delhi delivered a lecture on the topic: "Ethics in Research and Publication", followed by Panel Discussion on the topic: "BIOETHICS: Who calls the shots?" The panel members were: Guest Speaker Prof O. P. Murty, AIIMS; Dr. Binita Srivastava, Prof and HOD, Paedodontics; Dr. Rani Srivastava, Prof. & HOD Psychiatry; Dr. Virender Chokker Prof. Forensic Medicine. The Session was moderated by Dr. Alpana Agarwal, Prof. Gyanaecology




DEBATE COMPETITION: Date: 8th September 2016 at 2 pm onwards. Venue: Maharaja Hall. The topic of debate was "Advertising in Medical Practice":Is It Ethical? There were six participants for the motion and six against the motion. A team of judges evaluated each poster based on guidelines given. Judges for the event were: Dr Rajiv Ahluwalia, Vice Dean Dental, Prof. and HOD Orthodontics, Chairperson; Dr. Varun Malhotra, Prof and HOD Physiology, Member; Dr. M.Itagappa, Prof and HOD Biochemistry, Member; Dr. Gajendra Gupta, Prof. SPM, Member. Each participant was given 5 minutes to speak for / against the topic.

After the session winners were declared:
First Prize: Ms. Sabana Anjum Bora, For the motion
Ms. Vidushi Bhardwaj, Against the motion
Second Prize: Ms Annanya Mitra, For the motion
Ms. Khushboo Aggarwal, Against the motion
Third Prize: Ms. Neha Saini, For the motion Ms. Zuha Ahmed, Against the motion



ESSAY WRITING COMPETITION :
Date: 9th September 2016 at 10 am onwards. Venue: Maharaja Hall. Each participant was given 30 minutes. A team of judges evaluated each work based on guidelines given. Judges for the event were: Dr. Dakshina Bisht, Vice Dean, Prof. and HOD of Microbiology, Chairperson; Dr. R. K. Sehgal; Prof. PSM, Member; Dr Manish Gupta, Prof. and HOD, OMR, Member; Dr. Reema Sharma, Member. After the session winners were declared.

There was a tie for third prize.
First Prize: Ms. Aditi Mathur
Second Prize: Ms. Shivani Gupta
Third Prize: Ms. Urvi - MS Pooja

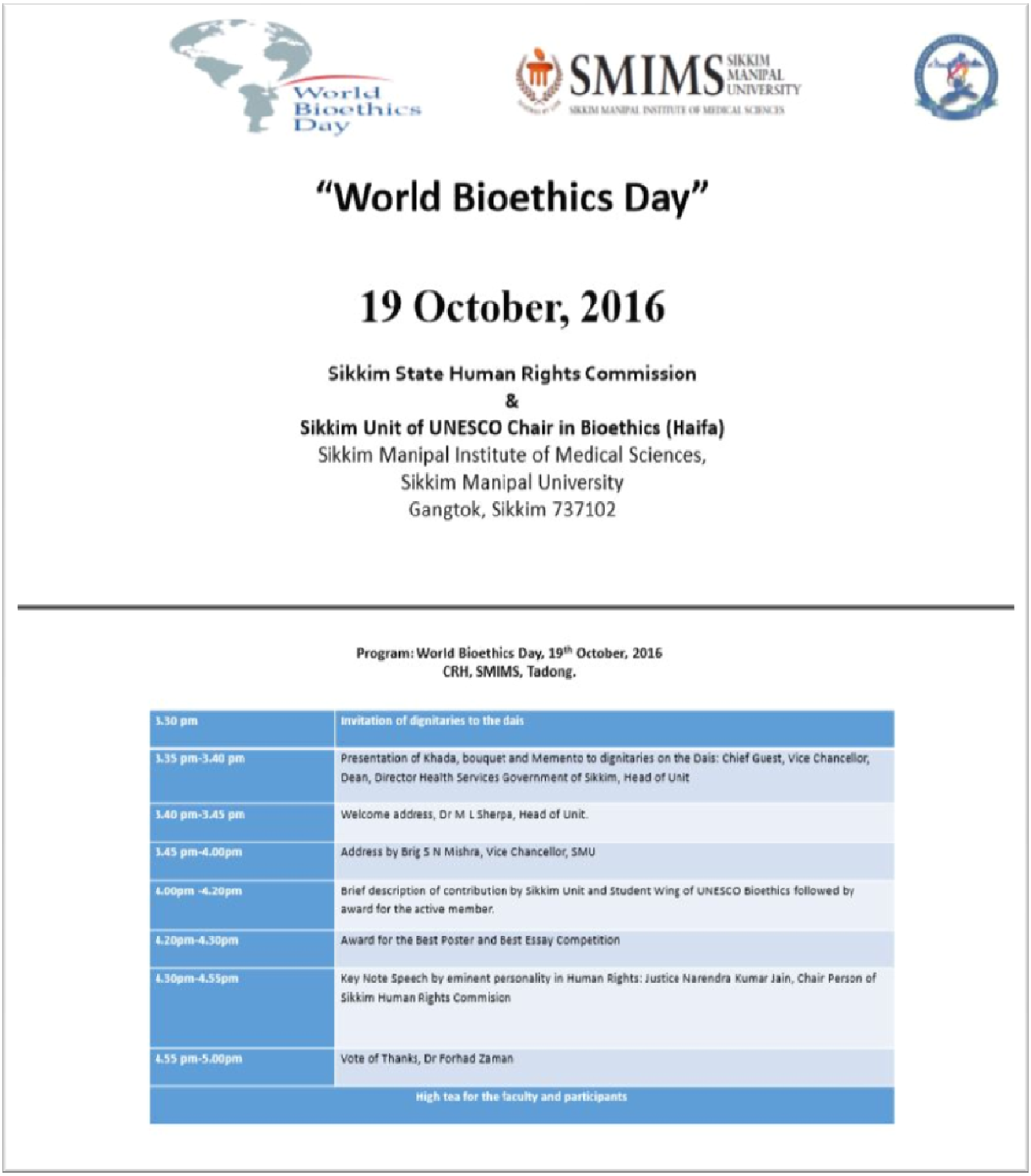



All sessions were attended by faculty members and students. Participation Certificates were given to all students.

## INDIA – SIKKIM UNIT

*Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences, Gangtok*

At the Sikkim Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences, Gangtok, the Sikkim Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa, under the supervision of the Unit Head Dr. Mingma Lhamu Sherpa, has celebrated the World Bioethics Day as follows:



"World Bioethics Day"

19 October, 2016

Sikkim State Human Rights Commission
&
Sikkim Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)
Sikkim Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences,
Sikkim Manipal University
Gangtok, Sikkim 737102

Program: World Bioethics Day, 19th October, 2016
CRH, SMIMS, Tadong.

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| 3.30 pm | Invitation of dignitaries to the dais |
| 3.35 pm-3.40 pm | Presentation of Khada, bouquet and Memento to dignitaries on the Dais: Chief Guest, Vice Chancellor, Dean, Director Health Services Government of Sikkim, Head of Unit |
| 3.40 pm-3.45 pm | Welcome address, Dr M L Sherpa, Head of Unit. |
| 3.45 pm-4.00pm | Address by Brig S N Mishra, Vice Chancellor, SMU |
| 4.00pm -4.20pm | Brief description of contribution by Sikkim Unit and Student Wing of UNESCO Bioethics followed by award for the active member. |
| 4.20pm-4.30pm | Award for the Best Poster and Best Essay Competition |
| 4.30pm-4.55pm | Key Note Speech by eminent personality in Human Rights: Justice Narendra Kumar Jain, Chair Person of Sikkim Human Rights Commision |
| 4.55 pm-5.00pm | Vote of Thanks, Dr Forhad Zaman |
| High tea for the faculty and participants | |

The award for active member has been given to Prerna Gogoi, Head of Student Wing for steering of the Student Committee.

The guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics has been given by Professor Jyoti Tamang, Dean, School of Life Sciences.

The debate competition has been conducted on Work Ethics Day on 28th of April, 2016 while the poster exhibition has been on 19th October 2016 for a target audience made of Post graduate faculty and students.



www.newspapers.com/indian/english/sikkim-express/

In case candidates are unable to download the hall ticket, they can contact the regional centre and obtain the information of examination centre allocated and report to the examination centre with a proof of submission of entrance test application form along with recent passport size photograph, the release mentions.

## DMC slams Dawa Sangpo over real Karmapa remark

SE Report

**GANGTOK, October 20:** Denjong Monasteries Chogchen (DMC) has criticised Rinpoche Dawa Sangpo Dorjee for raking up the issue of recognition of the real 17th Karmapa recently.

In a press release, DMC said the statement was not appropriate at a time when the dharma fraternity is mourning the passing away of the Yangthang Rinpoche. "Such act shall only further increase pain to the already mourning dharma community. It is not appropriate to use dharma to use for one's selfish interests.

SE Report

**GANGTOK, October 20:** Sikkim Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences (SMIMS) hosted the inaugural World Bioethics Day celebration of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) on October 19. The programme was themed "Human Dignity and Human Rights".

Sikkim Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) headed by Prof (Dr) Mingma Lhama Sherpa was formed at SMIMS on June 1, 2015. Since then, this unit along with its student's wing headed by Prof (Dr) Forhad Akhtar Zaman has been carrying out various activities in Sikkim on the issue of Bioethics.

Former Sikkim High Court Chief Justice and Sikkim State Human Rights Commission chairperson Justice Narendra Kumar Jain was the chief guest and key note speaker of the event.

Addressing the gathering of more than 80 people consisting of doctors and students, the chief guest stressed upon the importance of human rights and human dignity which was also the theme of the World Bioethics Day 2016.

The other dignitaries present on the occasion were Sikkim Manipal University vice-chancellor Brig. S.N. Mishra (Retd), SMIMS dean Air Marshal G.S. Joneja (Retd) and State Health director Dr. Uttam Pradhan.

Awards were given to the most active members of the unit and the winners of the best poster and best essay competition held on the occasion.

The president of the student's wing, Prerna Gogoi gave a brief description of contributions till date by the Sikkim unit and by the students' wing of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa).


**ASHIANA PROPERTIES**

**Two storied General Building:** for sale at Sunlik, Marchak (backside), area 42 x 42 sq.ft.

**Tribal land for sale:** in Arithang (backside). Area 30 x 30 sq.ft. expected price Rs. 15 lakhs/ negotiable.

**Office space for rent:** 9000 sq.ft with 8 rooms at Gairi Gaon, Tadong (roadside) with parking.


## INFORMATION

With Regret Inner Wheel Club of Gangtok informs that due to unavoidable circumstances its programme "BOLLYWOOD DANCE NIGHT" which was scheduled to be held on 22nd October, 2016 has been postponed to 8th November, 2016

SE Report

**GANGTOK, October 20:** State BJP president D.B. Chauhan has accused the State government of appointing over 300 individuals in different government departments without holding recruitment interviews.

Chauhan, citing a RTI reply, claimed that the persons were appointed on regular basis in defiance of established norms and demanded that such practice be stopped immediately. "Ruling SDF party loyalists and people close to the Chief Minister have been employed without any recruitment notification or interviews," he added in a press release.

The BJP president further maintained that the party wouldn't tolerate such nepotism in blatant misuse of public office.

**Rey Valley International School student's celebrated the school's fourth anniversary recently. Board of director member P.K. Pradhan also announced that the best student of the year will be awarded with a trophy and cash prize of Rs.5000.**


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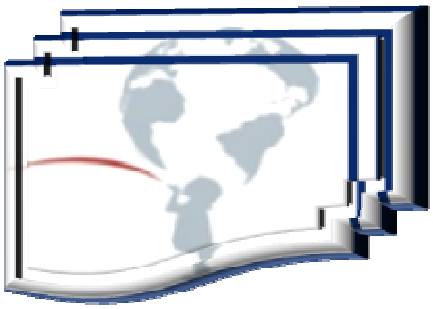
## INDIA - SRINAGAR KASHMIR NORTH INDIA UNIT

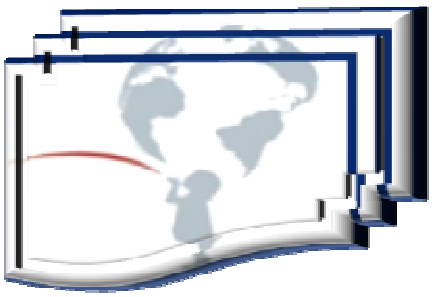
*Government Medical College, Srinagar, J&K*

The North India Unit of International Network of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics under the supervision of its Head, DR. S. MUHAMMAD SALIM KHAN, has seen the participation of Prof. Kaiser Ahmad, Principal/ Dean and other guests.

The debate competition among MBBS students has lasted 1 Hour, as the poster exhibition that has been organized at Government Medical College, Srinagar auditorium lobby b for a target audience made by faculty, resident and students of GMC Srinagar. Finally, the essay writing competition has started on the 2nd week of October 2016.



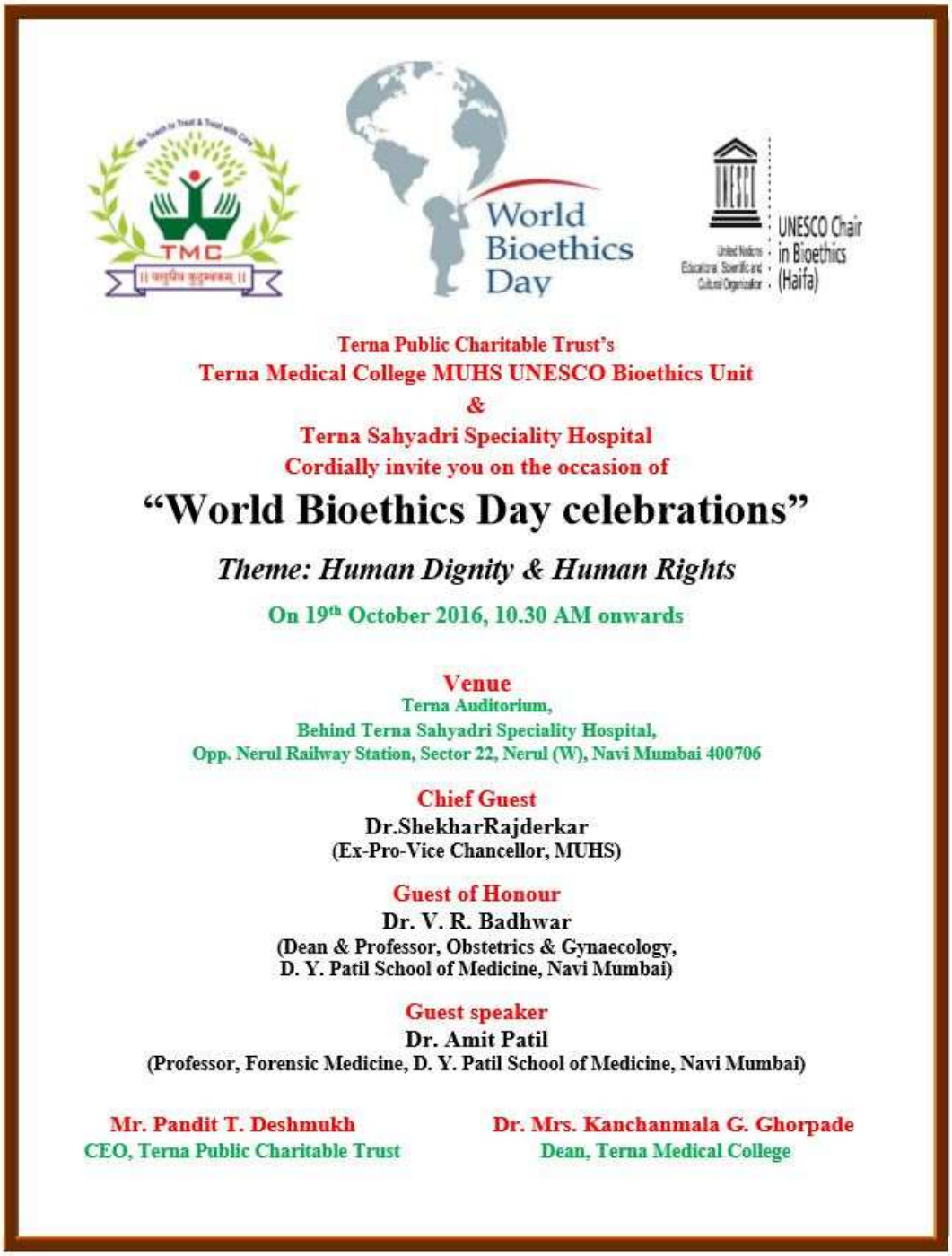




## INDIA – TERNA MUHS UNIT

*Medical College*

The Terna Medical College MUHS UNESCO Bioethics Unit, under the supervision of its Head, Dr. Kanchanmala G. Ghorpade has celebrated the World Bioethics Day as per the following program:



# PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS

**10.30-11.15AM**

- **Welcome , Lamp Lighting Ceremony &Prayer**
- **Opening Address By Dean, Terna Medical College**
- **Updates of Bioethics Unit Activities**
- **Presidents address**
- **Chief Guest Address**

**11.15AM-12.00PM**

- **Guest Lecture: Patients Rights & Dignity**

**12.00PM-1.00PM**

- **Panel Discussion: Caring for Women's Health & Dignity**

**1.00PM-2.00PM**

- **LUNCH**

**2.00PM-3.00 PM**

- **Debate Competition: Pros & Cons of Assisted Reproductive Technologies**

**3.00 PM- 3.10 PM**

- **Vote of Thanks**



Annual Report-Secretary of Unit Dr. Sangita Sukumaran



Chief Guest Address Dr. Shekhar Rajderkar



Dean &Head of Units Address Dr. K.G.Gohrpade










Guest Lecture Dr. Amit Patil

# HUMAN DIGNITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

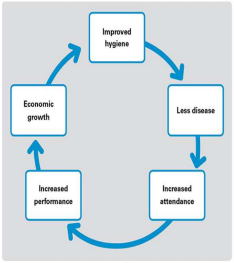
## HYGIENE - A MISSION TO ACCOMPLISH!

Institute : Topiwala National Medical College and B.Y.L. Nair Ch. Hospital, Mumbai, India.
Participants : Saloni Kaul and Ankit Dama

*"When we deny the poor and the vulnerable their own human dignity and capacity for freedom and choice, it becomes self denial. It becomes a denial of both our collective and individual dignity, at all levels of society."*

### INTRODUCTION

- **Rights** are "moral principles or norms to which a person is inherently entitled".
- **Dignity** is "an individual or group's sense of self respect and self worth, physical and psychological integrity and empowerment".
- According to codes of civilised and dignified living and by the term of physical existence, **water and sanitation are the fundamental rights.**




**To achieve this, UNICEF has started the programme of WASH.**

### CURRENT SCENARIO

**Violation of Human Dignity and Human Rights**



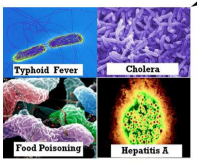
Lack of sanitation in schools is a major cause of absenteeism of girls affecting their education.



Women defecating in open - violates dignity and jeopardise their security.



Defecation contaminates the soil or the water source, leading to water borne diseases like cholera, typhoid, Hepatitis A.






### A STEP TOWARDS BETTER INDIA...

The Government of India has launched it's flagship programme - "**SWACHCCH BHARAT MISSION**"*(Clean India with better sanitation facilities) in collaboration with **UNICEF'S WASH programme**.(Water, Sanitation and Hygiene)






WATER
SANITATION
HYGIENE



**I. FIRST STEP TOWARDS HYGIENE ⟶ HAND WASH**






**II. CLEAN TOILETS (Infrastructure and Maintenance)**








Winners Debate Competition

## INDIA - THANE WESTERN UNIT
*Rajiv Gandhi Medical College*

At the Rajiv Gandhi Medical College, Thane, INDIA the Western India Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa under the supervision of its Head, Prof. Dr. Anu Kant Mital, has organized an event at the Rajiv Gandhi Medical College Kalwa Thane.



After the welcome address by the Head of Unit, there has been the opening speech by the Head of Institution, Dr. C. Moitra, Dean, on the importance of Biomedical Ethics in Today's World.



Then there have been the speeches by Dr. Korde, Medical Superintendent, who has talked about the importance of informed consent and by Dr. Anu Kant Mital representative of UNESCO Chair. At the St. Pious College for Bioethics, Goregaon, Mumbai INDIA, the guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics has been given by Fr. Stephen Fernandes, Director of the St Pious College of Bioethics and Member of the Steering Committee.



At the S.N.D.T. Women's University, Mumbai, there has been a panel discussion to which have taken part Dr. Anuradha Soveni, Professor & Head, Dept. of Psychology and Vandana Chatterji, Pro-Vice Chancellor, S.N.D.T Women's University.



There has also been a debate competition at the Rajiv Gandhi Medical College and also at the S.N.D.T Women's University, with the participation of two teams in the finals who have discussed about these themes: A. Surrogacy - a boon and B. Prolongation of Life in Permanent Vegetative States. Posters painted by students of Psychology and Nursing at the S.N.D.T Women's University has been shown during the poster exhibition.



Finally, it has been organized an essay writing competition, to be conducted for the alumni of the St. Pious College of Bioethics. The winners have been awarded on the World Bioethics Day.

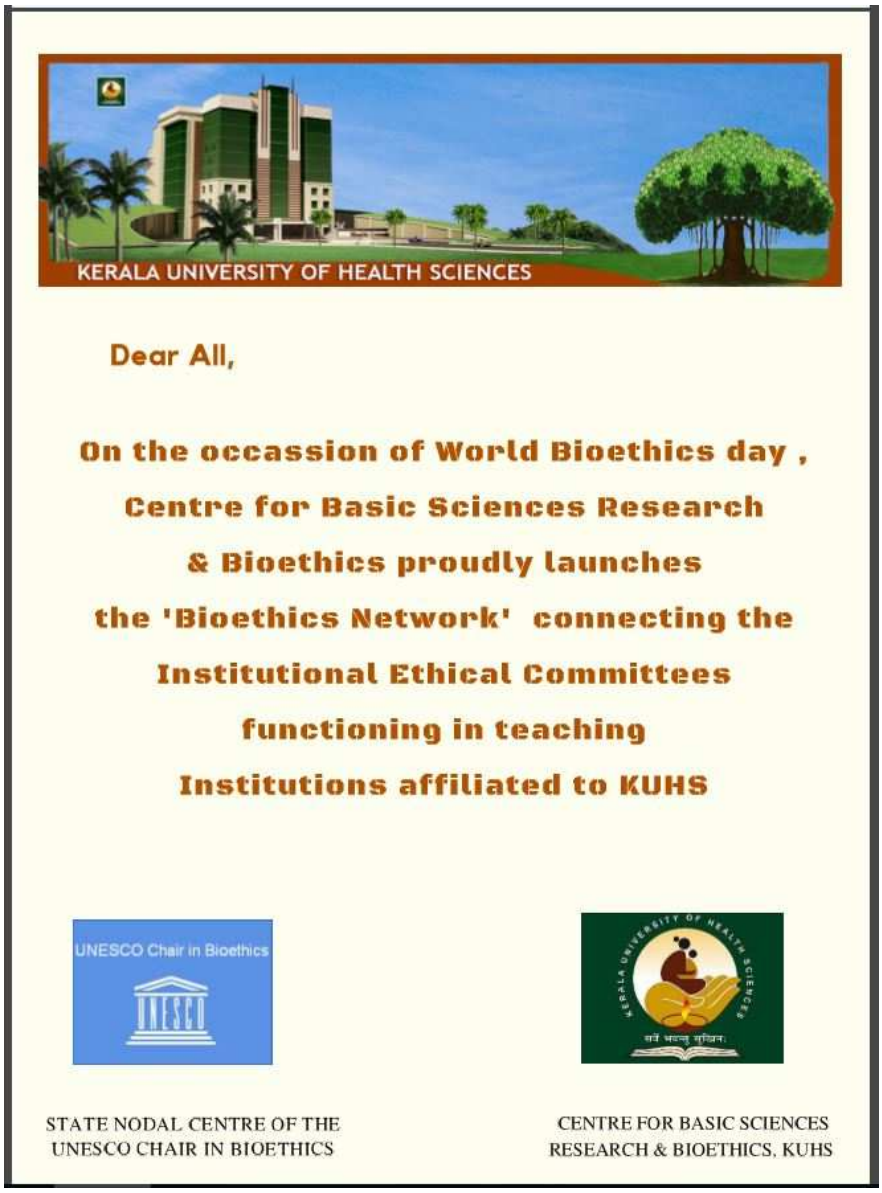
## INDIA - TRISSUR UNIT

*Kerala University of Health Sciences Medical College*

Under the supervision of its Head, Dr. Ajithkumar K, Dean (Research), the Kerala University of Health Sciences Medical College PO Thrissur Unit, on the occasion of the World Bioethics Day, October 19, has announced the launch of 'Bioethics Network" of KUHS.




This is a network of Independent ethics Committees of the Institutions affiliated to it. This will be an activity of the STATE NODAL CENTRE OF THE UNESCO CHAIR IN BIOETHICS and the CENTRE FOR BASIC SCIENCES & BIOETHICS, Kerala University of health sciences. This network is expected to be a voluntary association of the IECs. The membership is voluntary but is encouraged by the University .




The member secretary/ a representative nominated by him/her will represent the IEC in the network activities. The network will not any way affect the independence of the IECs. This network mechanism will be used for academic communication between Ethics Committees; training and capacity building of the Ethics Committee members; academic exchange of ideas between the Ethics Committees and members of Ethics Committees; sharing of experience and knowledge; organising meeting/seminars/conferences/workshops etc.; any other activity proposed by the University/network member and accepted by the appropriate bodies of the University.

## INDONESIA UNIT

Under the supervision of its Unit Head, Prof. Siti Pariani, Unit Indonesia-of the UNESCO Chairs in Bioethics, Faculty of Medicine, Universitas Airlangga, Surabaya, Indonesia held two events to celebrating World Bioethics Day 2016 which are a seminar on 19th October, 2016 and a workshop on 20th October 2016. The motto of the seminar is "Human Dignity and Human Rights", developing bioethics education in not only health science, but also in life science and social science in Indonesia; while the workshop focus on Bioethics Education in Universitas Airlangga.

The goal of these events is to socialized the important of bioethics education in solving humanities problems which is related with bioethics including bioethics education to every curriculum development in all faculties in Universitas Airlangga, for the specific, and all university in Indonesia, for the general. Therefore, the theme of the events is enhancing the bioethics spiritualism in humanism and professionalism for reaching human dignity and right in forming excellent and morally human resource.



## ISRAEL UNIT

*University of Haifa, Faculty of Law*

Under the supervision of its Head, Prof. Shay Linn, the World Bioethics Day has been celebrated on the 26.10.16 at the International Center for Health, Law & Ethics and has been opened by the greetings of Prof. Eliezer Rivlin, Supreme Court Judge (retired), Prof. Gad Barzilai, Dean of Law Faculty, Haifa University and Prof. Amnon Carmi, Head, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa).

Then there has been the opening speech by Prof. Jonathan Halevy, Director General of "Shaare Zedek" Medical Center, Jerusalem followed by a panel discussion on "Ethical Dilemmas of Teenagers' and Adults' Eating Disorders" chaired by Prof. Arnon Afek, Head of Medical Division, Ministry of Health.

To the discussion many personalities have taken part, as Dr. Jacob Poliakov, Director of "Male Hacrmel" Mental Health Hospital, Dr. Elana Cramer, Director of "Mazor" Mental Health Hospital, Acco, Adv. Talia Agmon, judicial bureau, Ministry of Health and A Family Member.

After a break, there has been the projection of the Movie: - "Hidden Genes", Directed by Prof. Ariel Revel followed by a panel discussion chaired by Prof. Ariel Revel, - Head of Ovum donation and preservation program, Dept. of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Ein-Karem, Hadassah Hospital Jerusalem, Gynecology and obstetrics Union.

To the discussion there have been the speeches by Rabbi Yoav Andi, Head of Hinton College, Prof. Eithan Blumental, Rambam Medical Center, Haifa, Prof. Frieda Simonshtien, Emek Yizrael Academic College.

Another panel discussion, chaired by Prof. Nili Tabak, Head of Medical Professions School Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University, Head of Nurses Unit at the International Center for Health, Law and Ethics, Haifa University has discussed the theme "Restraining Patients". Prof. Avraham Peled has talked about the Breaking of Physical, Mechanical and Chemical restraint; Prof. I. Straus has discussed the theme “Is Patient Restraint Care or Punishment?”.

RN Isar Atamana has talked about “Decision Taking of Patient Restraint by Personnel – Is it really done according to protocol?”; Dr. Oren Asman has talked about “Ethical and Judicial Aspects Of Patient Restraint” and finally Dor Bar Noy has discussed on The Care Taker Perception of Restraint – Jailer or healthcare agents. The event has been followed by an intervention of a patient, to appreciate the patient’s perspective.



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# International Bioethics Day 26.10.16

Congress Center - Haifa

Program

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| 09.00 – 09.30 | Welcome Gathering |
| 09.30 – 10.15 | Greetings: **Prof. Eliezer Rivlin**, Supreme Court Judge (retired)<br>**Prof. Gad Barzilai**, Dean of Law Faculty, Haifa University<br>**Prof. Amnon Carmi**, Head, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) |
| 10.15 – 10.45 | Opening Speech – **Prof. Jonathan Halevy,**<br>Director General of "Shaare Zedek" Medical Center, Jerusalem |
| 10.45 – 12.15 | Panel: - **"Ethical Dilemmas of Teenagers' and Adults' Eating Disorders"**<br>Chairman: **Prof. Arnon Afek**,-Head of Medical Division, Ministry of Health<br>Participants:<br>o **Dr. Jacob Poliakov**, Director of "Male Hacrmel" Mental Health Hospital<br>o **Dr. Elana Cramer**, Director of "Mazor" Mental Health Hospital, Acco<br>o **Adv. Talia Agmon**, judicial bureau, Ministry of Health<br>o A Family Member |
| 12.15 – 13.00 | Lunch Break |

13.00 – 14.30 Movie: - **"Hidden Genes"**, Directed by Prof. Ariel Revel

Panel – Chairman - **Prof. Ariel Revel**, - Head of Ovum donation and preservation program, Dept. of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Ein-Karem, Hadassah Hospital Jerusalem Gynecology and Obstetrics Union.

Participants:

- **Rabbi Yoav Andi**, Head of Hinton College
- **Prof. Eithan Blumental**, Rambam Medical Center, Haifa
- **Prof. Frieda Simonshtien**, Emek Yizrael Academic College

14.30 – 16.00 Panel – **"Tying Mental Patients In Psychiatric Hospitals "**

Chairman: **Prof. Nili Tabak**, Head of Nursing Department. Faculty of Medicine, Tel Aviv University, Head of Nurses Unit at the International Center for Health, Law and Ethics, Haifa University.

Participants:

- **Prof. Avraham Peled** - The Breaking of Physical, Mechanical and Chemical Tying.
- **Prof. I. Straus** – Is the tying of patients Care or Punishment?
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- **RN Isar Atamana** – Decision Making of tying patient by Nursing or Medical Personnel – Is it really done according to protocol?
- **Dr. Oren Asman** – Ethical and Judicial Aspects of Patient's Tying.
- **Dor Bar Noy** – The Nurse's Perception of Patient's Tying – Jailer or Healthcare Agent.
- A Patient's Perspective

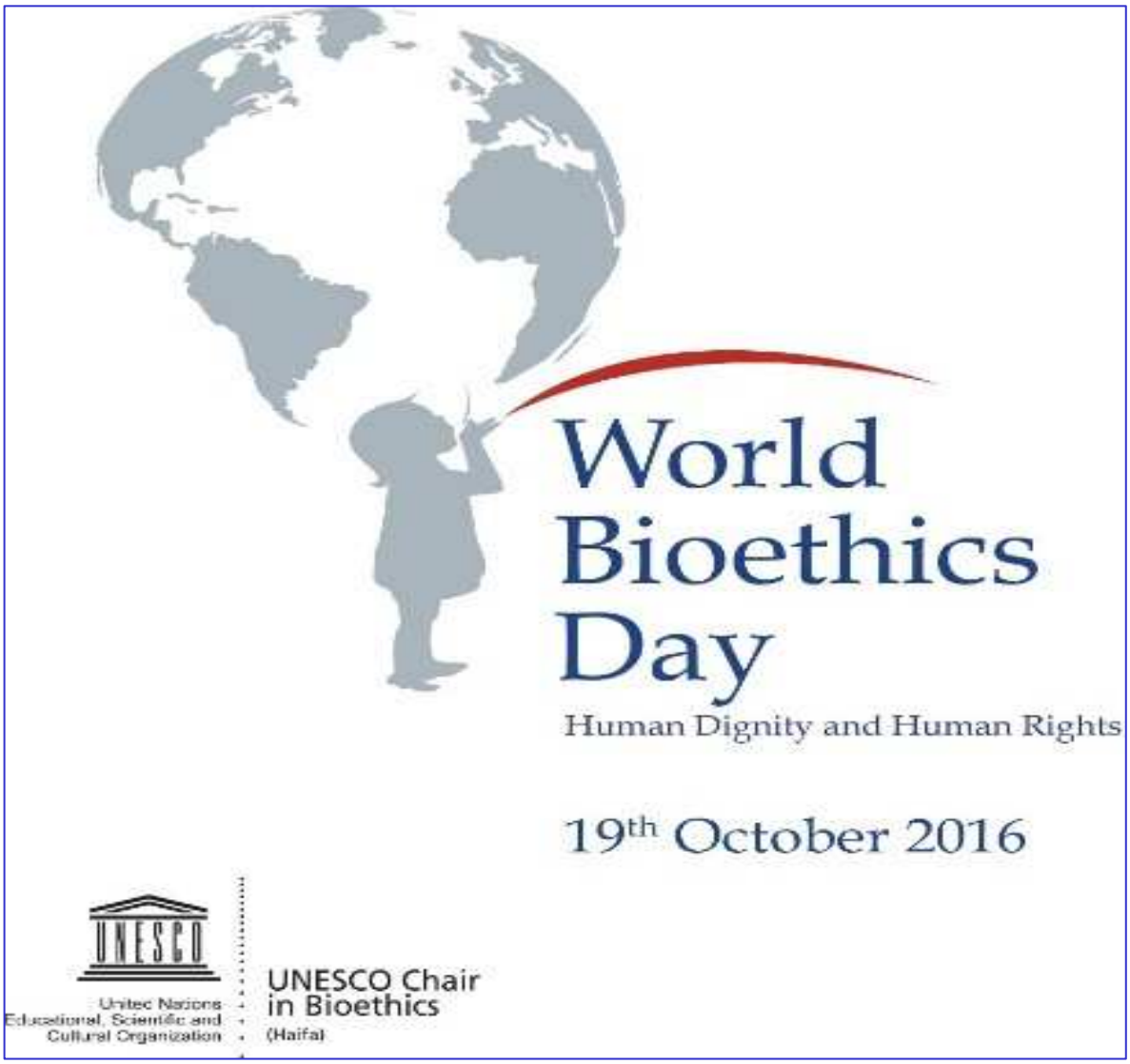
Discussion and Closing **Summation**

View of Haifa Bay from the Campus of Haifa University



## ITALY UNIT

European Centre for Bioethics and Quality of Life




celebrated in Italy by:

European Centre for Bioethics and Quality of Life, Aosta Valley Autonomous Region, University of Milan, Pavia Salvatore Maugeri Foundation, University of Ferrara, Genova University, Federico II University in Naples, Pegaso University in Naples, Siena University,

Under the supervision of its Head, dr. Miroslava Vasinova, World Bioethics Day Celebration on Italian national field has been proposed by the European Centre for Bioethics and Quality of Life – UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Italian Unit to all its institutional headquarters and other Institutions potentially interested in the event.

The participation to celebrations has involved Salvatore Maugeri Foundation in Pavia; University of Genoa, both from Cardiovascular Surgery Department guided by Prof. Domenico Palombo and Genoa, School of Humanities guided by Prof. Franco Manti; Forensic Medicine Departments headed by Prof. Francesco Maria Avato, University of Ferrara; Ethics Committee "Carlo Romano" of University of Naples Federico II headed by Prof. Claudio Buccelli and the Long Life Learning Department of University PEGASO headed by Prof. Luigia Melillo; University of Siena and CNR, Rome; University "la Statale" of Milan headed by Prof. Riccardo Zoja.

At the headquarter of the European Centre for Bioethics and Quality of Life have participated to the celebrations the Ministry of Health and Social Policies of the Autonomous Region of Aoste Valley and together they have realized the Week of celebrations of the World Bioethics Day 2016 from 13 to 22 October: the first day has been dedicated to the rights and dignity of elders, the second day has been dedicated to rights and dignity of women, the third day to youngsters, the forth to citizen and society. The event ended with a day dedicated to the rights and dignity of sportsmen both able and disabled.

During the celebrations, they have been awarded for their efforts the following members and experts of the Italian Unit: Claudio Buccelli for bioethics in research; Emanuela Buccelli, author of World Bioethics Day official logo, for communication in Bioethics; Isotta Burlin for World Bioethics Day 2016 endorsement; Marilinda Mineccia for ethics in justice; Alessandra Pentone and Giacomo Sado for communication in bioethics; Claudio Todesco, Carlo Pasetti. Stefano Ghidoni, Antonella Migliore, Ornella Salvetti & Gianni Nuti for research in bioethics education; Fulvia Dematteis and Patrizia Scaglia for bioethics and immigration.

In Italy there have been many different events both in Aoste Valley Autonomous Region and other regions: Italian Institute of Bioethics in the schools for instance has realized many activities for WBD.

In occasion of the WBD celebrations it was also resented the First Syllabus for Youth Bioethics Education translation in French realized by Prof. Cecile Tudor.

At Aoste it has been produced a Declaration of Intents by the Institution for Ethics in Sports, referred to dignity and rights for sportsmen and sportswomen both able and disabled.





World Bioethics Day

19th October 2016

European Centre for Bioethics and Quality of Life -
**UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Italian Unit**

# Aosta Valley Region Bioethics Week

**18 - 23 October 2016**

**13 October,** Aosta, Ministry of Health of Aosta Valley Autonomous Region
PRESS CONFERENCE

**18 October**, Aosta, Regional Palace
EACH AGE HAS ITS OWN LIFE
Open dialogue with Gianni Nuti, Carlo Pasetti, Giacomo Sado

**19 October**, Aosta, Regional Palace
WOMEN, DIGNITY and CULTURES OF PEACE
Open dialogue with Marilinda Mineccia, Giacomo Sado, Patrizia Scaglia

**20 October**, Aosta, Youth City
THE RIGHTS OF AN UNCERTAIN AGE:
FRAGILE BALANCE BETWEEN AN ADOLESCENT AND THE WORLD
Open dialogue with Fulvia Dematteis, Gianni Nuti, Claudio Todesco

**20 October**, Pont-Saint-Martin, Library
THOUGHTS FOR A GOOD AND SUPPORTIVE SOCIETY
Open dialogue with Chiara Bosonim, Patrizia Scaglia, Ornella Salvetti

**21 October,** Saint-Vincent, ISILT Binel Viglino Tourism and Culture section
DIGNITY AND RIGHTS WITH ADOLESCENTS' EYES
Open dialogue with Fulvia Dematteis, Ornella Salvetti,Claudio Todesco

STUDENTS' VIDEO-POSTERS AND DRAWINGS ON THE THEME "HUMAN DIGNITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS"

**22 October,** Aosta, Regional Palace
FOR A EUROPE OF RIGHTS IN THE SPORT
Open dialogue with Egidio Marchese, Antonella Marco, Stefano Ghidoni

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All the Italian headquarters involved in the celebration of the World Bioethics Day have proposed many successful events. Following some examples:

**Aoste Valley Autonomous Region**

In Aoste Valley Autonomous Region, in the headquarter of the European Centre, there has been an entire week dedicated to Bioethics, that will start with a press conference on 13 October at the Ministry of Health and Social Policies of Aoste Valley Autonomous Region.




On the 18 October at the Regional Palace in Aoste, there has been the event dedicated to theme "EACH AGE HAS ITS OWN LIFE", an open dialogue with Gianni Nuti (Regional Director of the department of the Ministry of Health and Social policies), Carlo Pasetti (Director of the Ethics Committee of the Salvatore Maugeri Foundation, Pavia), Giacomo Sado (journalist and Director of Bioethical Voices Newsletter), expressly conceived for an audience of elder people.

On the 19 October at the Regional Palace in Aoste, Marilinda Mineccia (Attorney of the Italian Republic in Aoste), Giacomo Sado, Patrizia Scaglia (Director of the Department of Youth and Family Health of the Regional Ministry of Health and Social Policies, Aoste Valley Region) have conducted an open dialogue on the theme "WOMEN, DIGNITY and CULTURES OF PEACE", dedicated to women issues.

At the Regional Palace in Aoste, on the 20 October, with an audience composed by youngsters, there were discussed some movie scenes on the theme "THE RIGHTS OF AN UNCERTAIN AGE: FRAGILE BALANCE BETWEEN AN ADOLESCENT AND THE WORLD", with the participation of Fulvia Dematteis (Psychopedagogist), Gianni Nuti and Claudio Todesco (Technical Advisor for Youth Bioethics Education project and former school Dean).

The same day, at the Pont-Saint-Martin Library opened to the public, it has been organized the event on the theme "THOUGHTS FOR A GOOD AND SUPPORTIVE SOCIETY". The event had the Patronage of Aoste Valley Region, Department of Health and Social Policies, Point Saint Martin

City and its Library. The speakers were Fulvia Dematteris, researcher in the field of educational relations of the European Center of Bioethics and Quality of Life; Alessandra Migliore, first childhood expert of the international project on bioethics education of UNESCO and Ornella Salvetti, expert teacher of the European Center of Bioethics and Quality of life UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Italian unit. Moderator was the President of the Library Chiara Bosonin.

After an initial presentation of UNESCO and its activities it has been talked about human dignity and human rights and their relation with the UNESCO Universal Declaration. During the evening it has been projected some works produced by students of high school about their vision on Human Rights and Human Dignity that have also been displayed at the Touristic School of Saint Vincent. Another event was the re-opening of the exposition in Saint Martin related to the project presented against violence on women, to which have worked the students of human science of Verrès. The event ended with the projection of a video of an Italian girl that showed the concept expressed during the World Bioethics Day that has been displayed in all Countries in the five continents who celebrated the World Bioethics Day.



On the 21 October at Saint-Vincent, High School ISILT Binel Viglino Tourism and Culture section, an open dialogue with Fulvia Dematteis, Ornella Salvetti and Claudio Todesco has been dedicated to the theme DIGNITY AND RIGHTS WITH ADOLESCENTS' EYES. In addition, the students have present the video-posters and drawings they produced on the theme "Human Dignity and Human Rights". The students of first and second classes coordinated by Prof. Salvetti Ornella, have presented drawings, posters, reports and video on rights students think as fundamental in life.

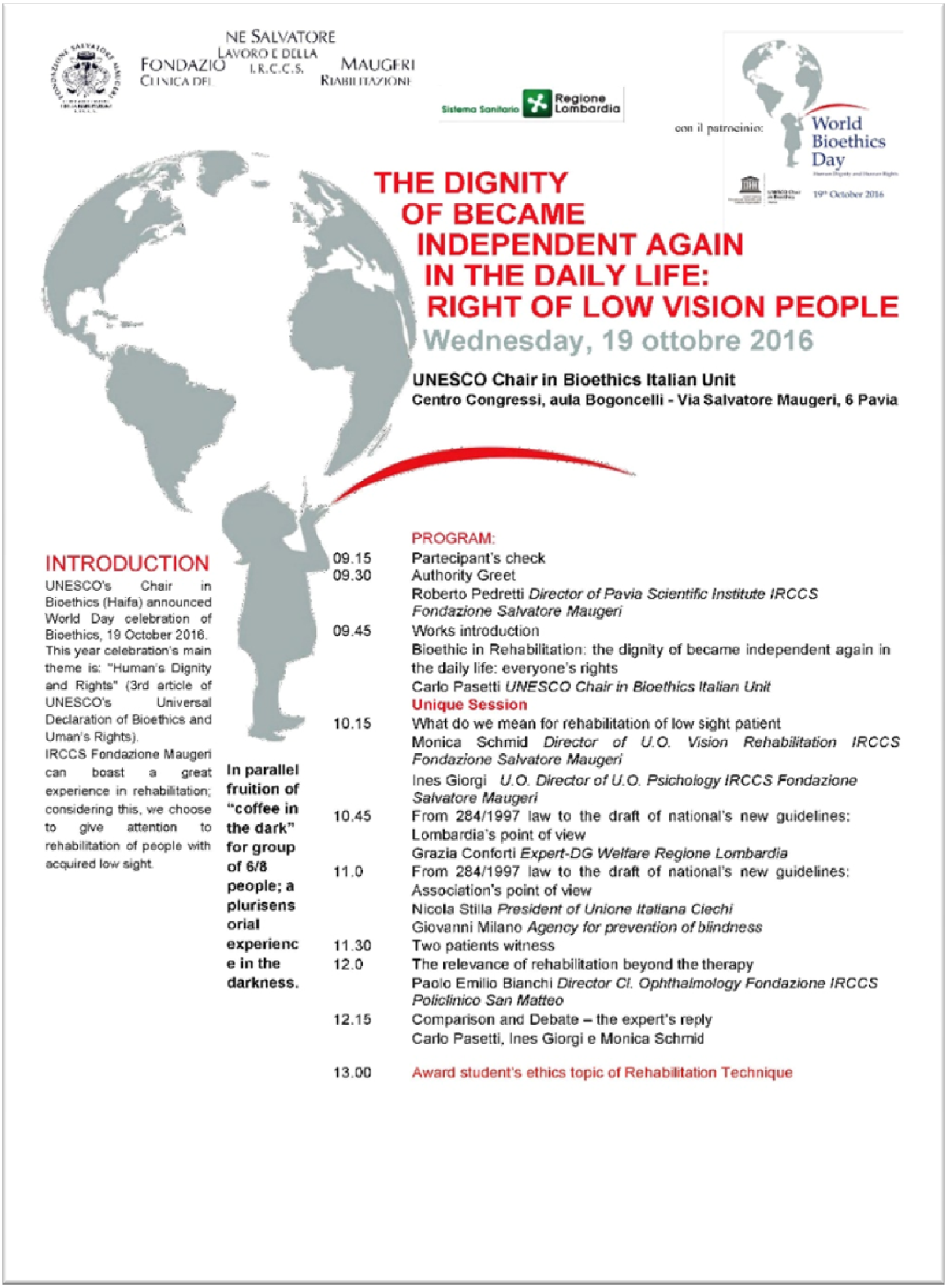
To the event there were also Dr. M. Vasinova, Head of Italian Unit of the Chair, Prof. Buscaglione, Head of ISILT Sez. Tourism and Culture Saint Vincent and prof. A. Carmi, Head of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, who gave an award to Monticone Sophie and Cappelletti Wendy, for their video judged by the UNESCO Commission as representative of the art. 3 of the UNESCO Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights and to be published in 130 Countries of the Chair.

Last but not least, on the 22 October at the Regional Palace in Aoste, the open dialogue among Egidio Marchese (President of Dis-val – Disabled Athletes in Aoste Valley), Antonella Marcoz (CSV skiing guide for blind and visually impaired people and technical operator in equestrian rehabilitation of the Avres Centre, Nus), Stefano Ghidoni (psychologist) was dedicated to the theme "TALENT RESEARCH AND RESPECT FOR ETHICS IN SPORT", dedicated to the rights of sportsmen (disabled and not), opened with the greetings of the Head of Italian Unit, Dr. Miroslava Vasinova and prof. Amnon CARMI, Head of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics.

**Salvatore Maugeri Foundation Pavia**

At Salvatore Maugeri Foundation Pavia, Congress Centre, aula Bogoncelli on 19 October there was the event called: THE DIGNITY OF BECAMING INDEPENDENT AGAIN IN THE DAILY LIFE:

RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WITH LOW VISION. In parallel fruition of “coffee in the dark”: a plurisensorial experience in the darkness. The congress started with the authorities greetings by Roberto Pedretti, Director of Pavia Scientific Institute IRCCS Salvatore Maugeri Foundation. Carlo Pasetti,



Director of the Ethics Committee of the Salvatore Maugeri Foundation, talked about “Bioethics in Rehabilitation: the dignity of being independent again in the daily life as everyone’s right”.

Monica Schmid, Director of U.O. Vision Rehabilitation IRCCS Salvatore Maugeri Foundation and Ines Giorgi U.O. Director of U.O. Psichology IRCCS Salvatore Maugeri Foundation, discussed the question: “What do we mean for rehabilitation of low sight patient?”

Grazia Conforti, Expert-DG Welfare Regione Lombardia, gave a speech titled “From 284/1997 law to the draft of national’s new guidelines: Lombardia’s point of view”, followed by the Associations’ point of view on the same topic, introduced by Nicola Stilla, President of Blind People Italian Union and Giovanni Milano, Agency for prevention of blindness. In order to involve the audience, there have been invited two patients who have given their witnesses to the audience.

Paolo Emilio Bianchi, Director of Cl. Ophthalmology IRCCS Policlinico San Matteo Foundation, talked on “The relevance of rehabilitation beyond the therapy”.

After the speeches, it was organized the award ceremony dedicated to the student’s ethics topic of Rehabilitation Technique. To involve the audience with an original method, it has been proposed a special experience, the “coffee in the dark” for group of 6/8 people; a plurisensorial experience in the darkness, to put people in the shoes of blind people’s experiences of the world.

The World Bioethics Day was preceded by a Training Course on "Bioethics and Cinema" that was held at the Maugeri Foundation in Pavia, Italy, between September and November 2016. This was a training course in an innovative way to address the bioethical issues through the movies and the methods of narrative medicine. How the scientific literature suggests, movies provide a systematic framework to foster the development of critical thinking skills and the connections between theory and practice in ethical decisions. The movie telling has the opportunity not only to illustrate the bioethical issues vividly, but also to explore thesis and topics in the disease and in treatment decisions. It allows the construction of the different perspectives of the patient, family members and care givers.

The course includes a series of 5 days lasting three hours each in which will be addressed by speakers the following bioethical topics:
1) The health worker / patient –caregiver relationship
2) Disability and dignity
3) The end of life, euthanasia
4) The technique and the sick body
5) Genetics.

After the scientific reports, every day, was shown a picture movie as facilitator for reflection on the subject, treated by the speakers. Subsequently they were formed discussion groups of different professional operators. The group was an important moment for the discussion of "ethical dilemmas" emerged.

The following movies were screened: Dear Diary by Nanni Moretti, 1993; Sea Inside (Mar adentro) of Aljandro Amenàba, 2004; Million Dollar Baby Clint Eastwood, 2004; The belly of the archi-

tect Peter Greenaway 1987; Blade Runner by Ridley Scott in 1982.

Promoters and managers of the course are Dr. Francesco Cupella (Departmental Unit of Gastroenterology and Digestive Endoscopy of Maugeri and Dr. Ines Giorgi (Psychology of Maugeri Service). The speakers of the Maugeri Foundation (doctors and psychologists) was joined by renowned experts such as Dr. Carlo Pasetti, President of the Ethics Committee of the Maugeri Foundation, Prof. Paul Danesino, for its expertise in Forensic and Professor Cesare Danesino, for his skills of Genetics and a lawyer Alessandra De Gasperi.




The course is intended for physicians, nurses, rehabilitation therapists, psychologists, professionals of the juridical sciences and medical students of Pavia University.

**Milan "La Statale" University of Studies**

On19 October in Milan at the University of Studies, Sala Napoleonica, it was organized the event called CONVERSATIONS ON HUMAN DIGNITY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS. The event was amply promoted on the website homepage of the University and on the homepage of the "Dipartimento di Scienze Giuridiche Cesare Beccaria". It was also promoted by Università Vita-Salute San Raffaele, by Centro per la Ricerca e la Formazione in Politica ed Etica -

POLITEIA and by Fondazione Giannino Bassetti, which has been working for twenty years on the theme of responsability in the field of innovation.



The copious flow of people and the dynamic participation made possible that at every report has followed a debate between the audience, the speakers and the moderators. Both the Centro Politeia and the Fondazione Giannino Bassetti wanted to leave an imprint of the Day on their Facebook page. At 20th October an article with the title “Bioethics in search of shared roots” written by the journalist Enrico Negrotti and regarding the World Bioethics Day was published in the daily newspaper Avenire, in which are made references to the conference organised by the Statale.



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# World Bioethics Day

Human Dignity and Human Rights

**19 Ottobre 2016**

Sala Napoleonica
Università degli Studi di Milano
Via Sant'Antonio, 12 - Milano

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## *Conversations on human dignity, human rights and fundamental freedoms.*

*Dignità umana, consenso e partecipazione*

Saluti iniziali

09.45 G.L. Vago - Rettore Università degli Studi di Milano
10.00 A. Carmi - UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa

**I SESSIONE** – presiede F. Poggi

10.15 Introduzione generale F. Poggi
10.30 P. Borsellino - *Mantenere la dignità nel fine vita*
11.00 Discussione
11.15 C. Del Bò - *Dignità umana e il diritto di disporre del proprio corpo*
11.45 Discussione
12.00 F.G. Pizzetti - *Il testamento biologico tra dignità umana e consenso informato: percorsi giurisprudenziali e iniziative legislative*
12.30 Discussione

12.45 PRANZO

**II SESSIONE** – presiede A. Piga

14.00 M. Reichlin - *Autonomia e/o Dignità? Il caso della malattia neurodegenerativa*
14.30 Discussione
14.45 M. Tallacchini, A. Biggeri - *ICT, geni ed epidemiologia collaborativa: strumenti di empowerment per la salute dei cittadini*
15.15 Discussione

15.30 COFFEE BREAK

**III SESSIONE** – presiede R. Sala

16.00 V. Sanchini - *Bioetica e deliberazione: un caso studio sulle scelte riproduttive*
16.30 Discussione
16.45 S. Pollo - *Naturalizzare la dignità. Esperienza, biologia e relazioni*
17.15 Discussione
17.30 Discussione generale
17.45 Chiusura dei lavori P. Di Fiore

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**Genoa University, School of Specialization in Humanistic Sciences**

On the 19 October at Genoa University, School of Specialization in Humanistic Sciences, in occasion of the celebrations for the first World Bioethics Day it has been organized a congress on the theme DIGNITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS BETWEEN BIOETHICS AND BIO-POLITICS by Prof. Franco Manti, University of Genoa.



The congress has been opened by the greetings of Prof. Paolo Comanducci (Dean of University of Genoa), Prof. Michele Marsonet (Head of the School of Specialization in Humanistic Sciences), Prof. Guido Amoretti (Director of DISFOR) and Prof. Franco Montanari (Director of DAFIST). Then Prof. Luisella Battaglia (University of Genoa, Italian National Bioethics Committee) has opened the event together with Prof. Lorenzo D'Avack (University of Rome 3, President of the Italian National Bioethics Committee).

During the event – which has seen the presence of many people, with entire classes of students from many Italian high-schools, University students, bioethics experts, journalists etc. who have been involved in the conversation with their questions – there have been organized some round tables followed by debates.

The first has been on the theme "dignity and rights overcoming species divisions. A systemic approach" whose speakers where Prof. Evandro Agazzi (Panamerican University of Mexico City – Italian Institute of Bioethics); Dr. Eleonora Colombo (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Dr. Natasha Cola (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Prof. Maria Antonietta La Torre, (Naples, Suor Orsola Benincasa University, Italian Institute of Bioethics), Prof. Susanna Penco (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics).

The second round table has been on the theme "care and rights: a possible pair", and the speakers where Dr. Ivana Carpanelli (Italian Institute of Bioethics); Prof. Rosagemma Ciliberti (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Dr. Alessandra Fabbri (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Prof. Isabel Fanlo Cortes (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Prof. Marianna Gensabella (University of Messina; Italian National Bioethics Committee); Prof. Ida Li Vigni (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics).



World Bioethics Day

*Dignità e diritti umani tra bioetica e biopolitica*

**Mercoledì 19 Ottobre 2016**

Scuola di Scienze Umanistiche, Aula Magna, Via Balbi 2, Genova

**Ore 9**

***Saluti delle Autorità***

**Saluto** del Prof. Paolo Comanducci (Magnifico Rettore - Università di Genova)
**Saluto** del Prof. Michele Marsonet (Preside della Scuola di Scienze Umanistiche)
**Saluto** del Prof. Guido Amoretti (Direttore del DISFOR)
**Saluto** del Prof. Franco Montanari (Direttore del DAFIST)

**Ore 9.30**

***Introduzione ai lavori***

Prof.ssa Luisella Battaglia (Università di Genova – Comitato Nazionale per la Bioetica)
Prof. Lorenzo D'Avack (Università Roma 3 – Presidente del Comitato Nazionale per la Bioetica)

**Ore 10.30**

**Tavola Rotonda**

***Dignità e diritti oltre le divisioni di specie. Un approccio sistemico***

Prof. Evandro Agazzi, Università Panamericana di Città del Messico -Istituto Italiano di Bioetica; Dott.ssa Natasha Cola (Università di Genova; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Dott.ssa Eleonora Colombo (Università di Genova; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Prof.ssa Maria Antonietta La Torre (Università Suor Orsola Benincasa – Napoli; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Prof.ssa Susanna Penco (Università di Genova – Istituto italiano di Bioetica)

**Tavola Rotonda**

***I diritti e la cura: un binomio possibile***

Dott.ssa Ivana Carpanelli (Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Prof.ssa Rosagemma Ciliberti (Università di Genova - Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Dott.ssa Alessandra Fabbri (Università di Genova; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Prof.ssa Isabel Faolo Cortes (Università di Genova; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Prof.ssa Marianna Gensabella (Università di Messina; Comitato Nazionale per la Bioetica); Prof.ssa Ida Li Vigni (Università di Genova; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica)

**Dibattito**

**Ore 14.30**

**Tavola Rotonda**

***Le nuove frontiere della ricerca scientifica: verso una nuova visione della dignità e dei diritti?***

Prof.ssa Gloria Bardi (Università di Genova - Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Dott.ssa Isotta Burlin (Istituto Italiano di Bioetica);
Prof.ssa Sandra Morano (Università di Genova; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Prof. Paolo Aldo Rossi (Università di Genova; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica); Prof.ssa Monica Toraldo di Francia (Università di Firenze; Comitato Nazionale per la Bioetica)

**Tavola Rotonda**

***Dignità delle persone e diritti umani nell'età della globalizzazione. Implicazioni biopolitiche***

Prof. Carlo Casonato (Università di Trento, Comitato Nazionale per la Bioetica); Prof. Sebastiano Maffettone (Università LUISS Roma); Prof. Franco Manti (Università di Genova; Istituto Italiano di Bioetica)

**Dibattito**

***Comitato scientifico - organizzativo***

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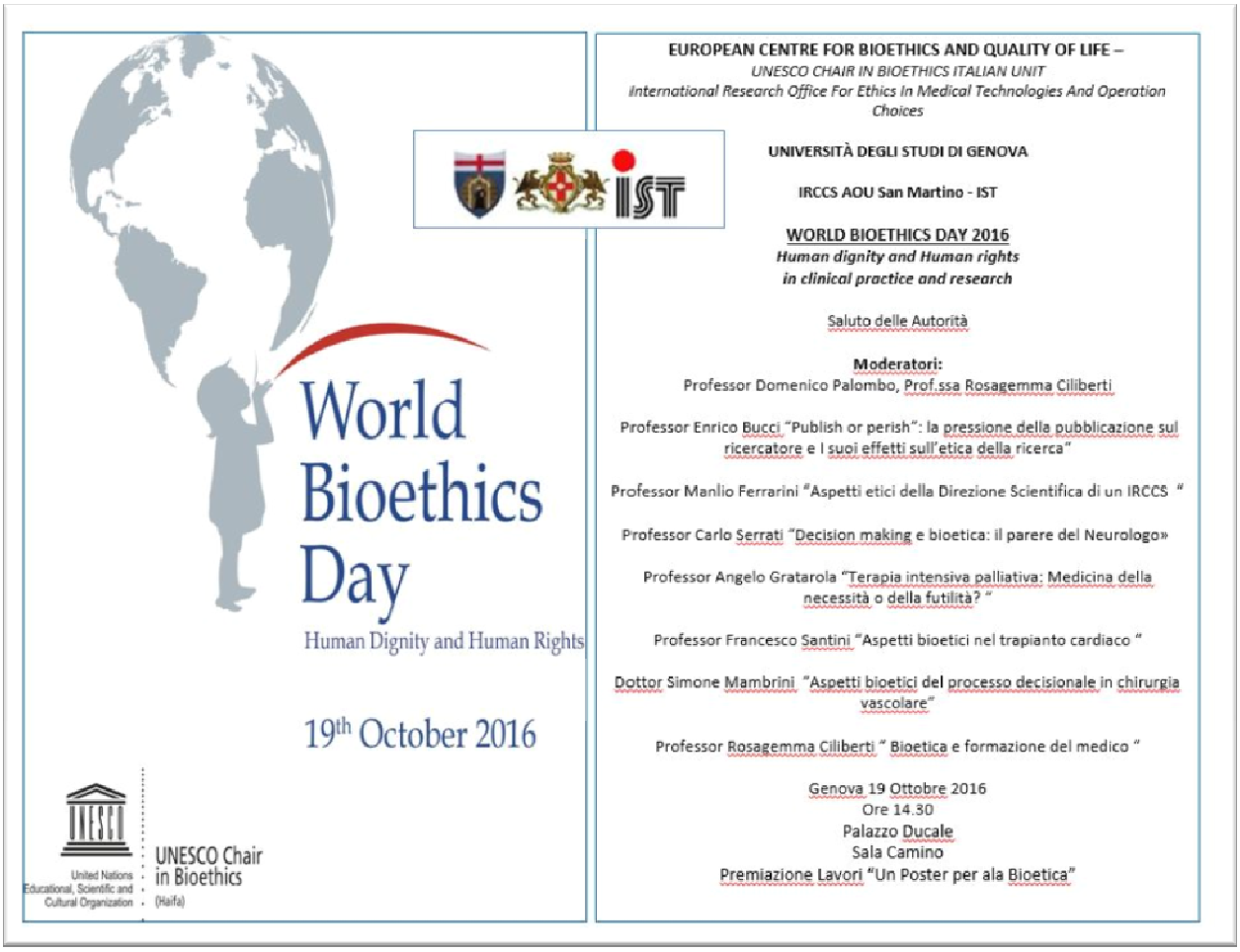
The third round table has been on the theme "new boundaries of scientific research: toward a new vision of dignity and rights?" and has seen the participation of Prof. Gloria Bardi (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Dr. Isotta Burlin (Italian Institute of Bioethics and Delegate of the European Centre for Bioethics and Quality of Life - UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Italian Unit); Prof. Sandra Morano (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Prof. Paolo Aldo Rossi (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics) and Prof. Monica Toraldo di Francia (University of Florence, Italian National Bioethics Committee).

The last round table has been on the theme "people's dignity and human rights in the globalization era: biopolitics implications", with the participation of Prof. Sebastiano Maffettone (University LUISS Rome), Prof. Luisella Battaglia (University of Genoa, Italian National Bioethics Committee) and Prof. Cinzia Piciocchi (University of Trento).

The Scientific Committee of the event was composed by Prof. Luisella Battaglia (University of Genoa, Italian National Bioethics Committee), Dr. Isotta Burlin (Italian Institute of Bioethics and Delegate of the European Centre for Bioethics and Quality of Life - UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Italian Unit), Dr. Natasha Cola (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Dott. Eleonora Colombo (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics); Dr. Alessandra Fabbri (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics) and Prof. Franco Manti (University of Genoa, Italian Institute of Bioethics).

**Genoa University (Vascular Surgery Department)**

At the Genoa University (Vascular Surgery Department), the celebrations for the World Bioethics Day included a conference on "*To publish or to perish: falsification and plagiarism in scientific research*" by Prof. E Bucci, the award ceremony for the best poster on "Human Dignity and Human Rights" and a discussion on clinical cases related to bioethics issues, Human Dignity and Human Rights.




In the European Society for Cardiovascular and Endovascular Surgery (ESCVS) Congress 2016 it has been established the ESCVS Bioethics Committee, with the Patronage of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics which includes UE-member countries as Germany, UK, France, Czech Republic, Greece and extra-UE countries as Serbia. The Committee promoted the WBD celebrations and the education in bioethics field in the Countries where ESCVS operates, in their Countries members and in the Universities where it is present (Salpetriere, Regensburg University, Newcastle on Tyne (UK), Genoa University, Pilsen (Rep Ceca), Prague, Belgrade, Lion).

Under the initiative of Prof. Domenico Palombo, past president of the ESCVS, the institution produced a book aimed at presenting clinical cases on bioethics dilemmas and issues to respect human dignity and human rights in vascular and cardiac surgery.

The book is cured by Professor Lazar Davidovic , Clinic for Vascular and Endovascular Surgery, Serbian Clinical Center, Belgrade, Serbia; Professor Stephan Schueler, Newcastle upon Tyne Freeman Hospital, Department for Cardiothoracic Surgery, Newcastle upon Tyne United Kingdom; Professor Francesco Snider, Vascular and Endovascular Surgery Unit Policlinico Gemelli, Cattolica del Sacro Cuore Rome University; Professor Domenico Palombo, Vascular and Endovascular Surgery Unit IRCCS AOU San Martino – IST Genoa University Hospital Genoa Italy; Professor Oztekin Oto, President of the ESCVS Department of Cardiovascular Surgery Dokuz Eylul University Hospital, Balcova, İzmir /Turkey .

**University of Naples "Federico II"**

Under the supervision of its Director Prof. Claudio Buccelli, the International Office for Bioethics Research will organize a congress, whose theme has been "BIOETHICS AND FORENSIC MEDICINE EXAMINATION OF THE SCIENCES OF LIFE. MIND, CONSCIENCE AND BRAIN BETWEEN NEUROLOGY, PSYCHIATRY AND NEURO-PSYCHOLOGY: BIOETHICS PERSPECTIVES", that was held in Naples, on 24 and 25 November, together with the CIRB, the Inter-university Center for Bioethics Research.

To the event taked part also the Major of Naples, Luigi de Magistris who complimented with Prof. Buccelli, Head of the Institution, on this important congress who talked about neurosciences under different points of view (biomedical, philosophical, theological, juridical and economical).









The discussed themes have been different, in fact they were given two *lectio magistralis*, on Neurosciences: state of the art and another on Brain Death and human conscience. There was also organized some Bio-medical, Theological and Philosophical sessions, to examine the complex and variegated aspects related to this topic, like the scientific knowledge in the neurological, psychiatric and neuro-psychiatric field; the human intelligence vs the artificial intelligence; mind and conscience from a theological point of view; freedom and determinism as seen by neuro-sciences; moral problems on the neuro-ethics paradigm.

Other two sessions were dedicated to legal, economics and forensic aspects, like the problems with the experiments on the states of minds; the communication with psychiatric vulnerable people; and the neurosciences and cognitive enhancement.

Other themes that were analysed by the eminent personalities, experts and professionals that took part into the event are: forensic medicine in forensic dynamics; thorny aspects in biomedical experimentation; forensic medicine and ethical-deontological principles and the new endeavours in forensic medicine. During the Congress there was also the ceremony of the giving-award to a member particularly active in the Bioethics progress and a students' poster session on the theme "*Human Dignity and Human Rights*"

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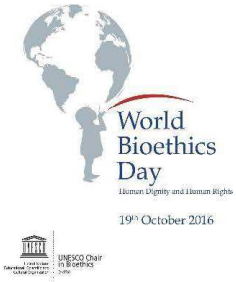






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**Congress of the Ethics Committee "Carlo Romano", Naples University Federico II**

**World Bioethics Day 2016**

Human Dignity and Human Rights

# BIOETHICS AND FORENSIC MEDICINE EXAMINATION OF THE SCIENCES OF LIFE

Naples, **24 - 25 November 2016**

MIND, CONSCIENCE AND BRAIN BETWEEN NEUROLOGY,
PSYCHIATRY AND NEURO-PSYCHOLOGY: BIOETHICS PERSPECTIVES

*Themes*

Lectio Magistralis: Human Dignity and Human Rights (UNESCO)

**AWARD FOR GREAT CONTRIBUTION TO BIOETHICS PROGRESS**

Lectio Magistralis on Neurosciences: state of the art; Bio-medical, Theological and Philosophical sessions

Lectio Magistralis on Brain Death and human conscience; legal, economics and forensic medicine session

Forensic Medicine in forensic dynamics; thorny aspects in bio-medical experimentation;

forensic medicine and ethical-deontological principles; new endeavours in forensic medicine

**STUDENTS' POSTER SESSION ON THE THEME "HUMAN DIGNITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS"**

**PEGASO Telematic University, Naples**

A conference entitled "Right to Happy and Healthy Ageing " was held in Naples at the 'Pegaso Telematic University, on 19 October, for the first World Day of Bioethics proclaimed by UNESCO Chair in Bioethics about the 3th principle of the Universal Declaration - Unesco human dignity, human rights. The event was organized by the Research Office for Lifelong Learning Bioethics Education of the European Centre for Bioethics and Quality of Life - UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Italian Unit- incardinated at the Euro-Mediterranean Centre of Lifelong Learning, both directed by Professor Luigia Melillo.



*Dr. Miroslava Vasinova, President of the European Center for Bioethics and Quality of life, established the International Research Office for Lifelong Learning Bioethics Education of the Italian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, conferring to professor Melillo the title of Director (2014, Nov. 17)*

The greeting of Pegaso University was led by the Director General Elio Pariota and the one of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics was sent by Dr. Miroslava Vasinova, President of the European Center for Bioethics and quality of life. She recalled that the 3th article of the Universal Declaration sanctions that human dignity, human rights and all fundamental freedoms must be fully respected.

Introduction of Professor Melillo: <<*We declined the celebration of the World Bioethics Day in Naples with the rights of the elders to a healthy and happy life. Why did we choose the elders? Because we believe that this age group in society represents a great structural change, both in terms of quantity, so as to prefigure a society dominated by the elders in the next years, both in terms of Welfare. Today, this age group, is submitted to marginalization, exclusion, and also to a lack of care. The reason: an ontological conception of life of the elder like a person not protagonist and not productive*.




Professor Melillo's introduction

*The culture of our days doesn't offer a good image of old age: it suggests the idea of eternal youth. The messages that are sent to us by some scientific research environments aim to convince us that aging can be counteracted, making us hope that it doesn't exist or that it only affects others, the ones that we see as elders. For this reason, it's necessary a reflection that, in addition to showing that old age involves us all directly, invites us to discover its content and the ways to understand the aging of the others and to accept ours*.



The audience



Luigi de Magistris, Mayor of Naples

The Mayor of Naples, Luigi de Magistris, talking to young people, in his long and passionate

greeting / intervention, so concluded << *Naples is a city of free thought, is a vibrant city, is a lively city, volcanic, not only because there's the Vesuvius but because we are all full of energy. Be proud of your birth in this land.*



*The only way to compensate the privilege of being born in Naples is to love your city, to love people, especially people in difficult conditions, and often, among those, there are many elders, people most vulnerable, the children, the homeless, people in difficulty for physical, psychological or economic conditions. Let's help them, we must help people because if we give more love and solidarity, we'll create a community of well-being. Wellness means well - being, stay together doesn't mean having a lot of money. I thank the Professor Melillo for her invitation, I congratulate UNESCO for this initiative about dignity and rights, which holds together children and elders. This is the best way to live, to live the present and look to the future optimistically because, despite all the problems, life is so beautiful that mustn't be wasted: it must be lived especially helping people in difficulty. >>*

***"Changes in the social image of elderly people"*** is the title of Melillo's speech whose focus is: <<*Promoting the protection of the dignity in old age in its dimensions of material fragility requires of course a cooperation between bioethics, medical science and social politics, but taking seriously the gap among generations is an assignment that is up to education as measure of civilization and to bioethics as ethic of life.*



*The assignment of the bioethics reflection is to denounce all the types of violence, mostly underhand and indirect which the elders are exposed to, underlining the lacking respect of the rights that protect their vulnerability. The primary need is a welfare that puts in the middle the person with his individuality and uniqueness, with his request of support but also with his capability to contribute to the well-being of the others and to the growth of new generations in a mutual support relationship.*

*A community welfare allows to pass the stereotyped vision of the modernity, of the elder as an unproductive and weak person, bringing back their social protagonism teached by the ancients. In this sense, then, lifelong learning politics become the main tool and an emerging right. A person that continues to learn, continues to live, continues to feel vital. Apart from the question above the social politics that need to be reviewed by our governance at a national level and even at a world level, I think that must be a cooperation between school, family and bioethics. I refer to the gap, the physiological contrast between the generation growing up and the one descending.*

*For this reason we want to celebrate this day with schools and during the implementation of the works, all the schools that participated to the contest "Relationship among generations" will be rewarded. This initiative is inserted in a larger discourse that has the objective to spread the teaching of bioethics within schools of every order and degree. It is a commitment in which in the last years I am in the front line as university professor of Intercultural Bioethics. For this reason the Research Office for Lifelong Learning Bioethics Education has already drown up a Memorandum of Understanding with a network of Schools from all over Campania.*




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| 6 | L.C. Jacopo Sannazaro |
| 7 | L.C. Quinto Orazio Flacco |
| 8 | I.C. L.P.Caravita |
| 9 | I.A. Ippolito Cavalcanti |
| 10 | I.C. Aldo Moro |

All the schools that belong to this network are: Liceo Statale "Don Lorenzo Milani" whose headteacher, Mrs Angela Viola, is here; Istituto Tecnico Luigi Sturzo and its headteacher Cinzia Toricco; Liceo ginnasio "Antonio Genovesi" and its headteacher Maria Filippone; Istituto superiore "Enrico De Nicola" and its headteacher Stefano Zen; as the same for Istituto Alberghiero "Ippolito Cavalcanti" and its headteacher Carmela Libertino; Liceo Sannazaro and its headteacher Laura Colantonio; Liceo "Renato Cartesio"and its headtecher Donatella Acconcia; Liceo statale "Orazio-Flacco" and its headteacher Iolanda Giovidelli; Liceo scientifico "Tito Lucrezio

Caro" and its headtecher Carmela Nunziata; Istituto comprensivo "Sarria- Monti" and its headteacher Donatella Valentino; Istituto comprensivo "Socrate-Mallardo" and its headteacher Teresa Formichella; Istituto "Ferdinando Russo" and its headteacher Ciro Raiola; Istituto Comprensivo "Aldo Moro" and its headteacher Michelangelo Riemma; Scuola secondaria "Viale delle Acacie" and its headteacher Maria Teresa Stancarone; Istituto comprensivo "Virgilio IV" and its headteacher Lucia Vollaro; Some of these young headteachers, attended our post graduated course for headteacher so we are particularly happy to find them to the top of their careers; Istituto Comprensivo "De Luca Picione Caravita" and its headteacher Maria Rosaria Stanziano; Istituto Comprensivo "Marco Polo" and its headteacher Armida Scarpa.




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| 5 | I.C. Virgilio |
| 6 | I.C. Monti |
| 7 | L.C. Cartesio |

A great supporter of the creation of this network, so he must be recognized as the best member of the Research Office for Lifelong Learning Bioethics Education, is Dr. Luciano Chiappetta, former General Manager of the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR) and now adviser to the Minister Giannini.



Prize-giving of Luciano Chiappetta, Former MIUR Director

*There's a big change with the entry of Bioethics in schools where it's necessary that the barriers are removed, both internal barriers and external.*

*I consider bioethics as a key element of knowledge and so of the school, able to affect in the daily life, as crosscutting issue that concerns the law, science, economics, human science.*

*Just look at what happens every day (on public transport, at work etc .) to understand that respect for the others there isn't. There is no respect for the opposite sex, for different culture and religion, there is no respect for the different ages. If we realize these things in the school and we create an environment in which one lives without constraints, we'll get that I once saw in a beautiful film, not a political one, where on the desks of an american school, sat boys of 14-15 years old and their grandparents, learning together. And so a school where everyone is busy, but happy is beautiful because everyone can fully develop his personality*

Professor Feng Cheng, Director of the Global Health Program, at the Research Center for Public Health of the University of Tsinghua in China, in 25th place in the world rankings QS Uni. 2015/16.

The Tsinghua University was founded in 1911 and has greatly enhanced the interaction between Chinese and Western culture, the sciences and humanities, the ancient and the modern. Currently, this has 14 schools and 56 departments with faculties of medicine, science, art, education and other to provide a high education to the students.



The Tsinghua University now has more than 25,900 students. It's noteworthy that the current President of China Xi JP and his predecessor, President Hu JT, were Tsinghua students.

Professor Feng Cheng wanted to share with us the situation of ageing in China. Here are the essential elements of his report entitled: *"Facing the Ageing Challenge in China".*



*From the report of the United Nations 2015: In 2014, there were more than 200 million of elders over 60, in China. By 2050, they will represent the third part of China's population. Now if you look at the graph you can see how much of the elders in China will quickly be recovered with the OECD. China is the largest country in the world for the elder population. The downside is that the aging process is faster than in all other developing countries.*

*This is a serious problem. Let's come back to report on the elders' care in China. Ever fewer young people will assist the elders in the future. In 2013, the ratio is 8.2, in the next 2030 will be 4.2 and in 2050 will decline to 2.6. This is a very sensitive issue that we face seriously. The aging problem is that almost 150 million people suffer from chronic diseases and almost 40 million have disabilities. The 2nd national survey on disabled persons of 2006 show that the percentage of disability in the elders over 65 reached 24.4% and 50% in the elders over 80 years. The most common diseases among the elders, age-related, are dementia, Parkinson's disease, decrease or loss of vision and hearing and finally osteoporosis. These are the conditions faced by Chinese elders.*
*To understand how China responds to the aging challenge is necessary to draw attention to six points: the first concerns the definition and classification of needs arising from income, conditions and other social determinants. So it is essential to outline a system for the classification of elders' needs.*
*At the second point, we find the definition of the money supply and in particular the perceived pensions and insurance that we distinguish in social insurance and commercial insurance.*
*At the third point we talk about organization in the delivery of services and in this case we will consider the public and commercial welfare, and non-profit organizations. These models should be analyzed and compared with each other.*
*At number four we see how the resources are distributed by needs and age. We provide support by evaluating the different needs and ages of people.*
*At number five we see how the resources are distributed by government orders or community voting.*
*Lastly, it is important to measure the quality of services and how to monitor them.*

*The quality of services is high. We have to consider all these components: sustainability is important, costs, are basic components. The control of costs will be the big challenge for us and the big*

*question of the future for our State.*
*Now, I would like to offer you a quick comparison between China and Europe. In China there are 30 provinces, in Europe there are 27 European Nations and ten non-European Nations; in China there are 1.35 billion inhabitants, in Europe of 350 million inhabitants; in China there's a central government, in Europe there are many governments; In China the majority of the health care spending is partially borne by the Government, and the same happens in Europe; The policy of Chinese State on births in families has led to an overall fertility rate less than 2. The same is true in Europe where, however, we find a voluntary decrease of births. In China there is a problem: the migration of the population, the population shifts from rural villages to the suburbs of large cities.*

*In Europe, the problem of migration is due to wars and economic reasons. Now if we consider neonatal mortality we see how in China it varies greatly between the eastern and western parts, between Shanghai, Beijing, Hong Kong and other areas.*

*There are big differences that we find even in different nations of Europe.*

*In China there's a rapid aging and in Europe we find the same problem and it's a big challenge especially for Italy. Now if you observe China and Europe, you can see they are facing the same challenges on the aging population. So we need to work together for a better overall solution. And with your University Centre of Naples it will be a pleasure to work in person>>*.

And speaking about China, the other award, provided by the event for the author of the best essay on the theme "Ageing in comparative perspective" goes to Dr. Daniela Caruso for her article about the role of filial piety in the Chinese society, traditional values and modern laws. Consider that in China there is a law for the protection of the rights and interests of elders which from June 2013 provides sanctions for the sons who don't protect their parents, don't take care them in case they are unable to do so themselves, and they don't ensure proper respect to them. Reason: the paper highlights the moral value of this law that so becomes key of political ethics.

*<<The award, said with particular pride Prof. Melillo, director of the CELL, it is also a recognition of all the work done over the years by my side.*



Prize-giving of Dr. Daniela Caruso

Daniela Caruso's speech:
*This award – she says espressing her gratitude – is important as gratification but I believe that it is more important in this moment that research is mortified in Italy in all its shapes. I truly wish that UNESCO could make in any way others awards like this to gratify the research. To all the students I say: watch less The Big Brother and follow more your inclinations, be more determined, it is the only wish I can make to you. Be determined, go straight and never look back.*

Then Pietro Calissano, Neuroscientist and President of' European Brain Research Institute Levi Montalcini, attended with a stimulating presentation **about "*The paradox of ageing.*"**



Prof. Pietro Calissano's speech

*The cynical sentence of Hippocrates "the earth covers the mistakes of doctors " was a catch phrase and pessimistic, but the biomedicine can be traced back to the discoveries of Pasteur and Jenner (vaccination, bacteria and so on). In 1800s, the human's life expectancy was 35 years old. The life expectancy in 1900s, 100 years later, was 50-55 years; it increased by 30 years in one century; the life expectancy in 1900-1940s increased 10 years; in '70s it was 65-70 years old; Today in 2000s is about 85 years. So there's an enormous progress in the chance of survival, ensuring a better and more sustainable quality of life.*

*In parallel with aging, it starts to establish a mechanism connected with it. I don't want to remember the most frequent causes of death (today, one in every two people dies of cardio-circulatory related complications; a quarter of population dies of cancers. In Europe, it's estimated that the form of type II diabetes affects 30-35 million people). What's the paradox of aging? The paradox is that with aging there's an increased risk of neurodegenerative diseases. Unfortunately, the brain is the only organ that isn't able to regenerate itself, so it's clear that, over the years, the ageing of the population will entail more frequent occurrences of neurodegenerative disorders. We know that, aside from hereditary problems, for example in the case of Alzheimer's disease, that we study, the incidence have no riguard to the age and it's minimal (around al 3-4%). All the rest of degenerative diseases (including Alzheimer's) are multiple and sporadic forms.*
*It's clear that we hope in an improvement of the situation and the medicine is working to ensure greater survival; but, at the same time, there's a development of neurodegenerative diseases, including Alzheimer's disease.*

*I give you an estimate: at 50 years, there aren't forms of Alzheimer's dementia; at 60-65 it begins to be 10%; until 20-30% in old age. It's estimated that at the age of 90, a third of the population will contract Alzheimer's. It isn't a little problem. There are also some progress. I don't think that should be a resignation for which it was almost better not to grow old to avoid contracting diseases that affect the brain. We do a lot of research, I know many colleagues who dealing with this problem; mainly, I refer to Alzheimer's because it has higher incidence and also more social and human costs and suffering of cognitive functions. It must be a very strong commitment on which we are working hardly to our Foundation (I like to remember it for pure reason record and not for scientific narcissism) Rita Levi Montalcini rewarded for his basic research of a growth factor called "neuronal factor cross" made of growth of nerve fibers. In the last ten years, we have found that it can be a strong element of hope in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease in all cases it's caused by the lack nerve growth factor. Now, we know that this growth factor has a fundamental function in cognitive activities (for example for the memory).*

*It isn't all the brain that depend on this molecule but those small parts that depend from 'NCF: those govern the cognitive functions, are the most important and they are the first to be affected by Alzheimer's disease . So in our Foundation we try to see how we can apply this discovery to cure this disease. I would like to end remembering to young boys and teachers, the epidemiological data that tells us unequivocally that the world illiterate population has a risk of getting Alzheimer's disease 4 or 6 times higher than an intellectually grown or litered population. So it's an invitation that I do to the kids, not a rhetorical invitation: use your brain, use it. You must study and use your brain because using it, when you are older, you can prevent this terrible disease*.

Prof. Melillo comments: <<*The message of hope left by prof. Calissano for which the active brain is less prone to the disease, is a fact that has scientific foundations and this is conjugated with the mission of the Euro-Mediterranean Centre for Lifelong Learning*.

*The new century, opened by large investment that the international community, mainly the United States, has fielded for brain study, it will be marked as the century of neuroscience. The great challenges of the coming years are aimed on new frontiers, so far unexplored with the care promises for neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's or Parkinson's.*

*The enhancement of brain activity becomes one of the major goals of contemporary society, but it brings together the ghosts of medicalization on the one hand and the refusal of the fragility on the other hand. Makes to bioethics new questions that involve directly the sphere of freedom and self-determination of the person.*

*In celebrating the UNESCO World Bioethics 2016 Human Dignity Human Rights Day declined in Naples on Right to Happy and Healthy Ageing a special mention goes to Prof. Ignazio Vecchio for his work bioethical on topics such as dementia, brain death, vegetative state, coma, the SLA, the appropriate use of drugs in the elders, the quality of life.>>*

Following speech by Francesco Caruso, UNESCO delegate for Campania and ambassador.
*Dear Professor Melillo,*

*I renew my gratitude for the invitation to participate to the Conference on the 19th October, dur-*

*ing The World Bioethics Day. I would have listened with particular interest to all the speeches planned and first of all Francesco Casavola's "Lectio Magistralis" to whom I appreciate you could bring the assurance of my esteem and my memory.*



*Ambassador Francesco Caruso*

*You know that I particularly care of all the initiatives that come from UNESCO activities (and above all they are thoughts that make me feel younger!)*

*With regard to this, I remember a decision that I had to make in 2004: to the Intergovernative Committee of Bioethics, that notoriously it must represent the positions of all Governments participating, two high personalities always came from Rome as Italian specialist. Unfortunately for me, one of them always expressed with certainty a strongly laic concept, the other one with equal force supported a strongly catholic thought.*

*The synthesis that I had to do in representing Italian Government position was very hard!*
*So I decided to nominate Italy to the Board of the same Committee, in order not to be more tightly bound to express national positions but more general positions, as it is responsibility of those who are in chairing.*

*And so it was that we came into the Board of Intergovernative Committee of Bioethics of UNESCO taking from the first year the presidency.*

*So a nostalgic thinking and a truly wish for this World Bioethics Day coming and good job for the Conference.>>*

We go to the award ceremony of the schools. Headteacher Iommelli's short speech as President of the judges, composed of Dr. Di Sarno Maria and Dr. Zapparrata Antonella.



Headteacher Giuseppina Iommelli's speech

*It is appropriate to thank all the students, my collegues and teachers for participating to this event. All the works attained us are considerable and deserving an award. But as if we have to reward only three of them, we've just gave an award to the catchest ones, moving our imagination to some implicit or explicit meaning. For the rest they are all deserving an award. This in necessary because a working school is always deserving an award; into school flow all the intergenerational relationships that start from childhood to adulthood; we are all an educating community within our school, the invitation does not come from me but it is a general invitation: take charge of pedagogy of learning and of care not only as a biological practice but also as a relationship practice, because taking care of the other, the other not only different for age, but different from us, gives voice, meaning and value to whom talks with us. This is the practice that must accompany the learning*.



Exhibition of schools' works partecipating at the contest "Relationships among generations"

Going straight to the motivations, we proclaim as first winner:
1) Liceo "Flacco" di Portici
Reason: the work is characterized by highly originality of the graphic layout.




The image of the eyes that converge on knowledge is intense and physically tangible as well as the feeling of closeness to which refers the intergenerational relationship.




Poster 1° winner – Liceo "Orazio Flacco", Portici (NA)

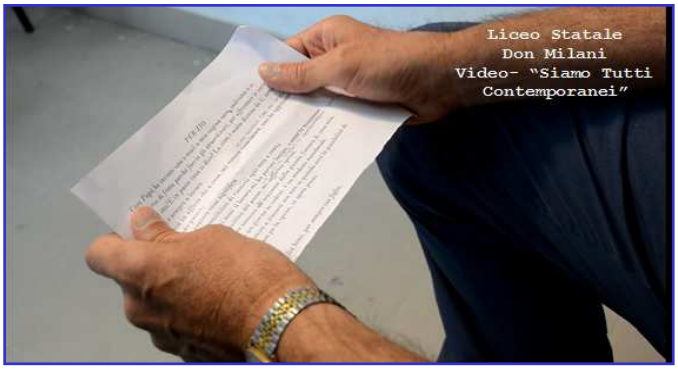
2) Istituto Comprensivo "Aldo Moro" di Casalnuovo

Reason: the work, incisive in its simplicity, fluid and clear in the representation, introduced us in the relationship between childhood and old age, by using the feelings of love, tenderness and care, requiring to reflect on increase of widespread elder's marginalization.





3) Istituto Superiore “Don Milani” di S. Giovanni a Teduccio
Short film: “We are all contemporaries”




**Reason**: the work expresses the harmony in the intergenerational relationships through the collaboration between teachers and students, parents and children, and the overcoming of loneliness and asymmetries through the use of new technologies.



Special mention to:

1) Istituto Superiore “E. De Nicola” di Napoli
Poster: for the figurative and syncretistic message




2) Istituto Tecnico “Don Luigi Sturzo” di Castellamare di Stabia
Power Point Presentation– Group 2: for the research work and teaching of exposure.






3) Istituto Comprensivo “Socrate-Mallardo” di Marano di Napoli
Video: for the effective and friendly communication.









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## JAPAN UNIT

The Japanese Unit, has celebrated the WBD on October 15, 2016 at the large classroom, conference room AB, 3rd floor, Education and Research building, Tokyo Medical University Hospital. The Ceremony has started with the greetings by Masahiko USUI, Chairman of the Board of Regents, Educational Foundation Tokyo Medical University and Mamoru SUZUKI, President, Tokyo Medical University.

The Congratulatory address has been given by Masayuki OBAYASHI, Professor, Toyo Eiwa University, Former Representative Director, Japan Association for Bioethics and Sadayoshi OHBU, Professor, Rikkyo University, Former vice-chair, medical ethics and professionalism education committee, Japan society for medical education.

The memorial lecture has been given by Kazuhiro NAGAO, vice chief director, Japanese society for dying with dignity, Medical Director of Nagao Clinic, Visiting Professor, Tokyo Medical University.

The discussed theme has been The Peaceful Death in Japanese Hospital and Home Hospice – from a viewpoint of the World Declaration of Bioethics and Human Rights, UNESCO. There has also been a Memorial Clinical Ethics Workshop with a Group discussion of clinical cases by using the 4 boxes method, devised by Jonsen et al.

The event, organized by the Japan Unit, UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa), Department of Bioethics (Medical Ethics), Tokyo Medical University has been supported by Tokyo Medical University Society for Clinical Ethics, Clinical Department of General Medicine, Tokyo Medical University Hospital, Department of Bioethics (Medical Ethics), Tokyo Medical University, Promotion Committee of Memorial Project for The 100th Anniversary of Foundation of Tokyo Medical University.



## KAZAKHSTAN UNIT

In the Republic of Kazakhstan October, 18, 2016, Almaty hosted a Round table on the topic: Human Dignity and Human Rights, on which the outcome measures were announced, dedicated to the World Bioethics Day 2016.

In 2015, on the basis of the Institute of Psychology and Psychotherapy in Almaty there was established Kazakhstan Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, which is headed by Prof. Amnon Carmi (Israel). More than 100 departments set up in different parts of the world who are actively involved in the celebration of World Bioethics Day.



Kazakhstan Unit announced Essay Writing Competition on the theme of the World Bioethics Day "Human Dignity and Human Rights".

Heads of medical universities, research institutes, academic medical centers, Scientific Centre of medicinal products, medical devices and medical equipment, members of the Central Commission on Bioethics of the Ministry of Health and Social Development of the Republic of Kazakhstan, heads of local committees of clinical databases of the Republic of Kazakhstan, heads of public and private hospitals, presidents of medical associations, representatives of the internal audit and the patient support services, medical students, residents, representatives of the mass media, as well as the head of the Bioethics Committee of the Kyrgyz Republic, Msr. Tilekeeva Y, M. and a representative of the Committee on Bioethics of the Kazan State Medical University (Russia), Mrs. M.E. Guryleva were invited to participate in the Round table.



The speakers were: "History of the bioethics development in the Republic of Kazakhstan and CIS countries" - A.B. Sadykova, President of the National Medical Association; "Perspectives of the development of the pharmaceutical industry under the EAEU" - Pak L.Y., acting chairman of the Control Committee on the medical and pharmaceutical activity of the Ministry of Health and Social Development of the RK;

"The issues of bioethics at the research in the medical institutions of higher education" - Prof. K.D. Rakhimov, president of the Association of pharmacologists and pharmacists of the Republic of Kazakhstan; "Protecting patients' rights and the role of independent expertise to improve the quality of health care" - Ukibai M.S., head of the department of the Control Committee on the medical and pharmaceutical activity of the Ministry of Health and Social Development of the RK in Almaty; "Training of members of the ethics committee as a stage prior to the accreditation of its activities" (online broadcasting) - Guryleva M.E., a member of the ethical committee on bioethics (Russia).





At the end of the Round table thankful letters were awarded to the active public and state figures who have made a great contribution to the development of ethical expertise in the Republic of Kazakhstan.



Certificates were awarded the winners of the Essay Writing Competition, Mukhit Kulmaganbetov, Kazakhstan Medical Students' Association and Aizada Urakova, student of the Kazakhstan National Medical University and they were presented with souvenirs. All participants of the Round table were presented with souvenirs with the logo of the World Bioethics Day.



## KOSOVO UNIT

Under the supervision of the Psychiatrist, Director of CIRChPI and Head of Unit Dr. Miftar Zenelaj, the University Clinical Center of Kosovo (UCCK), Kosovo Center for Integration and Rehabilitation of Chronic Psychiatric Patients (CIRCPP) and Bioethics Unit of Kosovo in UNESCO (Haifa), on the occasion of the World Bioethics Day has organized a one day conference with the motto "Human Dignity and Human Rights", in Emerald Hotel on 19 October 2016 starting at 10:00 a.m. The conference aims to address a number of bioethics issues of current interest and broad ethical-medical approach, such as respect for ethical principles and norms in mental health institutions, the role of medical ethics in public health institutions, respect for international rights of patients, etc. The main goal of bioethics is to promote ethical education of medical staff during all the stages of their training, striving to achieve primarily their development on the professional level, as a basis for strengthening the role of ethics when exercising their daily medical practice in Kosovo.

Kosovo Unit has done translating on the time of the First Syllabus in Albanian, and about 300 copy have been distributed on October 19 on the World Bioethics Day. The conference was attended by dignitaries from the field of politics, art, science, and religion, the Ombudsperson and civil society organizations for the protection of human rights. Very interesting papers related to the respect for human rights were presented by professionals of various fields during the conference, and at the end of this event conclusions were drawn.

The speech of the Head of the Bioethics Unit for Kosovo:
“Initially, I would like to thank you for participating in this conference which is organized on the occasion of the World Bioethics Day. The introduction and spreading of Bioethics has had a great impact on raising the ethical awareness in the circumstances of new civilizations, circumstances which threatened our civilization to self-destruction, when this civilization carries in itself the degradation of human beings. The modern man of today holds in his hands the power to destroy the blue planet, therefore, nowadays, the challenge of survival of the mankind calls for an urgent ethical intervention.

Many ethical dilemmas for the humanity can be solved through the mediation and intervention of different disciplines, such as: politics with its own laws, justice, theology, philosophy, sociology, medicine, ecology, etc. For this reason "bioetics" is seen as an integrating discipline covering equally all kinds of interaction perspective and dialogue for the resolution of specific issues. Bioethics has emerged as an intellectual response to the global challenges of our time, providing instructions regarding the solution of many moral and historical dilemmas imposed on us by global political developments and scientific-technological achievements. Following the Universal Declaration on Human Rights, adopted in 1948 in Geneva, in terms of medicine the most important Declaration is the one of 2006 with the adoption of the UN Convention on the rights of persons with disabilities. This convention was adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations. The Convention, in its content addresses civil and political rights with the main goal to protect the dignity and personal integrity, privacy, and recognition of equal treatment in the face of the law for people with disabilities. European Union has also played and continues to play an important role in this regard, by providing constant assistance in resolving many dilemmas related

to with medical ethics and law. Respect for the patient's dignity and his/her autonomy is one of the core values of ethics and medical law. Autonomy of the patient is protected by legal norms and is defined as a legal right. Patients in the past had been deprived of their legal freedom even if they had the mental capacity to decide in the best interest for their welfare. As a response to this, the Law on Human Rights states: "The right of every person to life is protected by law."

The development of ethical norms is affected by political, economic and social developments, ideological, cultural and religious developments, and Bioethics very often is in contradiction with these developments. Laws and norms, inevitably interfere in the moral-ethical norms. Kant said: "The right in itself does not contain anything ethical, it only provides."

Nowadays, however, the legal rights and moral rights have advanced, ethical norms have impacted on the regulation of many social relations, which means a cohesive importance for the society and for the state. Ethical rights should always precede the legal rights. And, last but not least, we can say that Bioethics is based on the belief that professional dilemmas and confusions can be resolved in a constructive way if we rely on ethical values such as: respect, honesty and reliability".




*Conclusions and recommendations from the Conference "World Bioethics Day", in Hotel Emerald, Pristina, 10 October 2016:*

Health reform is a long-term and multi-dimensional process. In this regard, ethics as an important segment in health should advance as part of this process; (Ministry of Health). To address the lack of professional capacities in health as well as general physical infrastructure; (Ministry of Health). University of Pristina is striving to change the curriculum and the professional ethics. The University will continue to cooperate and support health institutions in the advancement of the curricula.

Ethics is an essential part of medical practice: its core values: consent, confidentiality and the patient's opinion. The category of persons with mental disorders is sensitive and very specific in many aspects. Therefore, special attention should be given to this category in terms of professional ethics and general treatment. Stigmatization and social exclusion are aspects which pose a challenge to the perception and social and institutional approach to this category (KRCT).

To raise the awareness of central government institutions regarding the mental health institutions, and support the medical staff in these institutions.

The process of removing the right to act and involuntary treatment should be applied in accordance with legal requirements. Legal custody should be paid attention to in order to achieve the goal and improve the performance at work.

To implement the legal obligation to review and evaluate the removal of the right to act for persons with mental disorders. Institutional and social stigmatization for persons affected with tuberculosis continues to remain at a high level. These persons are still being kept/isolated in hospital wards.

The Ombudsperson within the frame of his constitutional mandate and promotion of humane and dignified treatment of persons deprived of liberty, pays particular attention to the aspect of ethics towards this category of people, and will address this issue in the respective reports.

The Ombudsperson recommends to set up a Padiative Unit for treatment of elderly people with chronic health problems - in their terminal stage. The role of NGOs in monitoring the treatment of human rights for persons with special needs is seen as very important in advocating for their rights and identifying the shortcomings in the system.

The process of identifying human remains by the Institute of Forensic Medicine is being challenged by the reluctance of family members of missing persons to give blood to determine the DNA; Development of psycho-social activities for the relatives of missing persons is considered necessary.



World Bioethics Day in Kosovo 19 October 2016 Program

| Program Details: Opening Ceremony: 10:00-11:10 |
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| Kosovo Unit on UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa): Dr. Miftar Zenelaj<br>President the Republic of Kosovo Parliament: Mr.Kadri Veseli<br>Minister Health the Republic of Kosovo: Dr. Imet Rrahmani<br>Director of Hospital and University Clinical Service of Kosovo: Dr. Curr Gjoci<br>Minister of the Justice: Mrs.Dhurata Hoxha<br>Chief State Prosecutor: Mr. Aleksandër Lumezi<br>Kosovo Judical Council<br>Minister of Education of Republic of Kosovo: Prof. Dr. Arsim Bajrami<br>Ministry of the Labor and Social Welfare: Mr. Arban Abrashi<br>Rector of the Public University of Prishtina: Prof. Dr. Marian Dema<br>Ombuds Person in Kosovo: Mr. Ilmi Jashari<br>Dean of the Faculty of Medicine of Kosov: Prof. Dr. Suzana Mangjuka |

| | Guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics: 11:45-13:30 |
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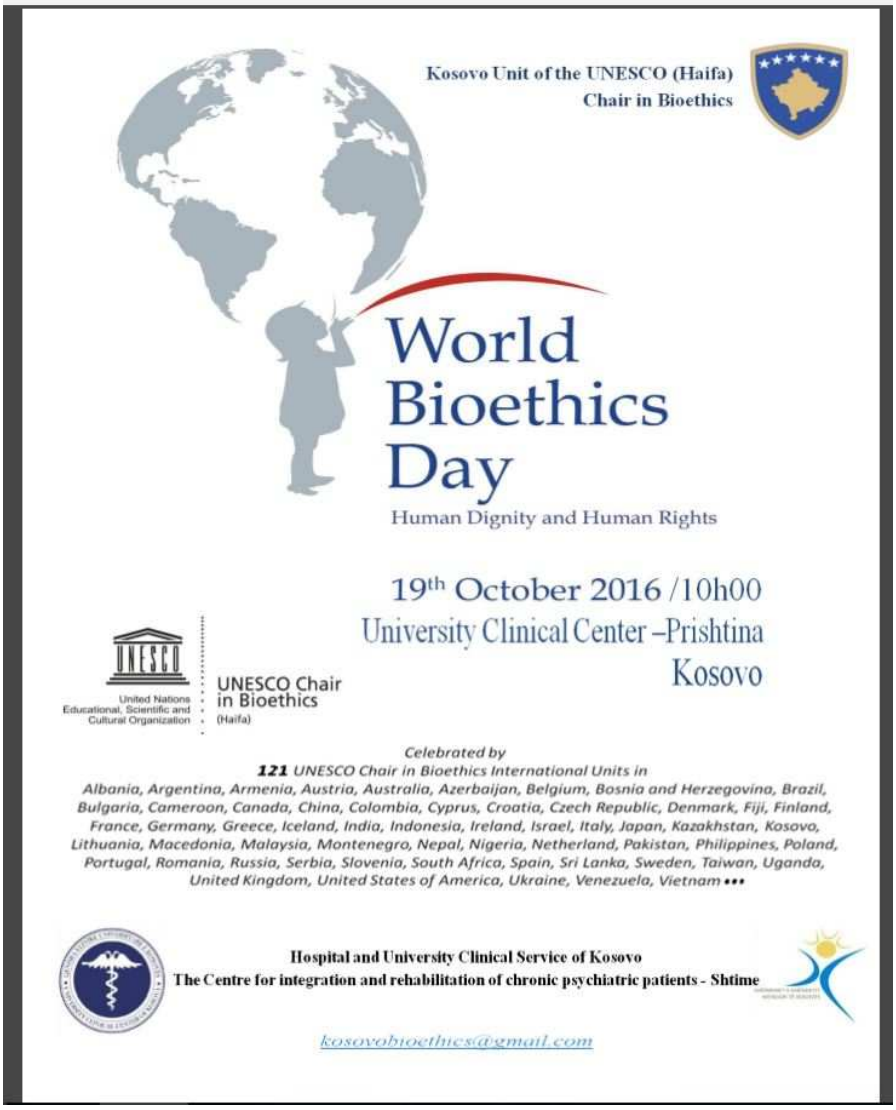
| **11:20-11:35** | **The role of medical ethics in public health institutions**:<br>Prof.dr.Naser Ramadani Ethics Lecturer of the Faculty of Medicine Prishtina Director of the National Institute of Public Health. |
| **11:35-11:45** | **Health treatment and recommendations of ombudsman.**<br>Avokati I Popullit |
| **11:45- 12:00** | **Ethical and legal basis of involuntary treatment in psychiatric health institutions of Kosovo:**<br>Dr. Feride Rushiti-director of Kosovo Rehabilation Center for Torture Victims |
| **12:00-12:15** | **Mental disorder of psychiatrists – Ethical Aspects**<br>Prof. Dr.Naim Fanaj |
| **12:15-12:25** | **Ethical issues in Tuberculosis Prevention, Care and Control**<br>Dr. Majlinda Gjocaj Coordinator for TB at Ministry of Health |
| **12:25-12:35** | **Human rights and human dignity with the main focus on the ethical aspects in EU,**<br>Prof.dr.Avni Mazreku: |
| **12:35-12:45** | **Adhering to ethical principles in mental health institutions of the Republic of Kosovo**<br>Mr.sci. Dr.MiftarZenelaj-psichiatrist Director of Center for Itegration and Rehabilitation of Chronic ill Psychiatric Patients-Shtime and<br>Mr.MA Xhemajl Dugolli Director in the Special Institute in Shtime |
| **12:45-13:10** | **Panel Discussion and Debate Competition** |
| **13:10-13:30** | **Completing** |
| **13:30-14:30** | **Lunch** |






Prof. Dr. Naser Ramadani
*Ethics lecturer in the Faculty of Medicine*
*Kosovo Health Institutions and Ethics*

In order to produce health, a conglomerate of human, financial and material resources is needed, but also honest respect for the human itself and a system that harmonizes these resources towards a greater cause - health care provision.

Unfortunately, none of these resources is controlled by doctors. In the past few months we have observed the increase of pompous mediatic accusations against doctors. Therefore, in a context like this, it is absolutely necessary that before the public "nailing" of a healthcare professional who is accused of professional misendeavour, a range of procedures be followed and gratified starting from an Ethics Council in the fore mentioned professional's place of work. Then and only then should a legal conclusion take place.

After these competences are fulfilled, the case is transferred to the Kosovo Doctors' Council and then to its Honour Court, as the highest regulative authority of the medical profession in the country. Having exhausted all these procedures, if facts about the suspect are concluded, the doctor can be legally charged. However, under no circumstances is it acceptable for the police to handcuff the professional in clinics and then parade it in front of the public eye in a spectacular manner.

With Hypocrate's Oath every healthcare professional devotes his life to the service of humankind; his profession shall be practised with full consciousness and pride, without being affected by prejudices related to faith, nationality, race and political affiliation; his profession shall be practiced with full consciousness towards his colleagues and he will behave with dignity and respect. Because of this, the professional should also be offered the same treatment from institutions and society in general.

It should be kept in mind that medicine doesn't cure all pathologies and outside of these limits not everything can be considered as a result of negligence or un responsible treatment. The evidented cases of inclusion in corruption and illegal activities should obviously be kept in a distance.

Kosovan healthcare is found between not small and easy hardships, especially considering its limited budget. The Ministry of Health as the highest medical and supervision authority of the provision of healthcare services of a secondary and tertiary level, is continually attempting to improve the volume and quality of healthcare services.

The future of the healthcare system in Kosovo is undoubtedly a huge challenge for all of us trying to solidarily solve its problems. That is why a true space of partnership between healthcare professionals is needed in order to be better conceivers of our healthcare system evolution.

The success of the reform depends entirely on the people who will implement it, therefore for the making of crucial decisions regarding the management of key healthcare institutions a Task Force in a state level is required, because no individual, no matter who they are is able to finish a national reform.





Shqipe Ibraj-Mala
*Deputy of Ombudsperson of the Republic of Kosovo*

The role of Ombudsperson in the protection of human rights in the area of bioethics

The main purpose of this short presentation is to provide you with a general overview on the role of the Ombudsperson in the protection of human rights in the area of bioethics. The expression "bioethics" in this presentation will mean the interrelation between normative principles (especially legal principles), and medical and biological issues in the citizen's life. Being here as a representative of the Ombudsperson, I will particularly focus on those legal principles deriving from human rights and fundamental freedoms, as set forth by Constitution and laws in force.

We can start with the fact that the area of bioethics is interrelated with many different rights in the Kosovo's legal system. This variety of the relevance of bioethics shows how important is this area for an institution like the Ombudsperson Institution, and as a matter of fact, for every institution dealing with human rights.

To prove the importance of bioethics in the human rights, let me give you two examples of the rights included in the area of bioethics. First, the right to privacy is explicitly recognized by the Constitution of the Republic of Kosovo, and European Convention on Human Rights. The Constitution determines that: "Everyone enjoys the right to have her/his private and family life respected, the inviolability of residence, and the confidentiality of correspondence, telecommunication and other communication". A portion of the right of private life, recognized and discussed lately by the European Court of Human Rights is the right to know the biological identity.

The first case in which this right was recognized by the Court was in *Mikulicvs. Croatia*, since 2002. In this case, the applicant presented her arguments that she had the right, under the umbrella of private life, to know who her real father was. The Court took a decision that the person suspected of being her father had ***no*** right to refuse to conduct the blood test to testify paternity. In fact, this case shows how difficult and sensitive can issues be in the area of bioethics, as in this case the Court had to make a balance on the relative importance of the applicant's right to know who her real parents were, and the right of the suspected father not to be subject to such a medical procedure without his consent. Along with the advancement of different medical and biological technologies, such dilemmas, in which opposite rights should be balanced against each other will become even more frequent.



Dr. Feride Rushiti
*Executive Director*
*Kosova Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims - KRCT*

Ethical and legal basis of involuntary treatment in psychiatric health institutions of Kosovo

A big number of people with mental and intellectual disabilities in our country, or even wider, remain often marginalized and powerless due to the fact that their rights could be easily violated.
Considering their mental abilities to reason, persons with mental disorders are not able to take care of their rights and interests; therefore, their ability to act should be removed or limited and they should be admitted to the relevant institutions as a method of protection. Certainly, in the process of decision making for removing their ability to act, there are many questions and challenges, which should be carefully treated by always keeping in mind that their basic rights should be entirely respected. Diagnosis and social functioning difficulties are not reasons enough for one's deprivation from the ability to act and remains important the assessment of one's capacity to take decisions.

Experts of law and bioethics agree that the capacity for decision making includes many aspects, which have to be considered at each case of mental capacity assessment. Therefore, decisions of courts for removing the ability to act have to be based always upon clear criteria and professional psychiatric reports. It is very crucial to be determined the psychosocial dimension of the disease or disorder and remains highly important the review of 1) who initiated the procedure and whose interests are considered upon such action (patient itself, family, society or others); and 2) which is the purpose and is it in the benefit of the patient. Therefore, the approach used in each case should be individual and based on the bioethics principles – acting for the benefit of the patient and providing the entire autonomy for decision making, and by remaining loyal, dedicated and truthful to her/him.

Removing the ability to act for adults may be partial or full, depending on the level of the ability to reason and take care of her/his rights and interests. In this regard, the right to be informed and present during the entire decision making process is basic. Meanwhile, in cases where are reviewed patients with severe condition, there should be assigned a person who reflects her/his interests and is present in the judicial process. As guaranteed by laws, this group of persons should have possibilities to access the rights for free legal assistance/aid after they are assigned to custody. However, such legal assistance should be effective and independent from the hospital or institutions where the person is admitted. Based on the daily practices of monitoring these institutions, the legal custody was not always efficient and representative in regard to the rights of patient.

In addition, it is essential for the patient to be clearly determined the decision for the time of her/his stay in the institutions where s/he is referred for treatment – in other words, they should have clear information whether is the case of temporary, permanent, partial or full removal of the ability to act. Patients who are placed involuntarily must have the right to complain against such a decision.

Revision of the mental health status in cases of improvements of the mental health condition has to be done in order to provide the opportunity for her/his placement in other environments. In addition, it is important for the residents to be informed (consent) about the health treatment they receive. Assignment to the obligatory treatment should be decided by always reviewing the interests of the party on securing her/his stay, sleep/sheets and covers, adequate clothing, good and enough food and various activities within occupational therapy and leisure time.



Prof. Dr. Avni Mazreku
*ISPE College,Prishtina-Kosovo*

Kosovo Celebrates for the First time in its History the World Bioethics Day

Kosovo seventeen years after the war struggling the process of the state building which process incorporates in itself implementation of international norms and standards concerning respect of human rights and fundamental freedoms seen as necessity for international recognition of Kosovo. One of the most prior goals for Kosovo in the process of state building remains the membership into international organizations, among those, fulfilling the criteria of the accession process to the European Unions an outmost priority of any Kosovo's government agenda, while understanding those criteria is another issue that takes knowledge and the political will. Knowing that European Union brought together in a single document (*The Charter of Fundamental Rights*), the document which contains rights and freedoms under six titles: Dignity, Freedoms, Equality, Solidarity, Citizen's Rights, and Justice, as proclaimed in 2000 the charter has become legally biding on the European Union with the entry into force of the Treaty of Lisbon, in December 2009. The Charter also sets out a series of individual rights and freedoms from a very modern codification that includes ' third generation' of fundamental rights, such as: data protection, guarantees on bioethics**,** and transparent administration, therefore the 'The First Syllabus for Youth Bioethics Education' drafted by Prof. Amnon Carmi is for an outmost importance for youth of Kosovo to get to know one of the most basic issues that is **education on bioethics** as category of fundamental rights as stipulates in the Charter of Fundamental Rights now legally biding for all the Member States of the European Union and as constitutional category of the most members of the EU and those which intending to join it.

Kosovo for the first time in its history, this year has celebrated 'World Bioethics Day' that emphasis the will and the commitment of many doctors, scholars representatives of the institutions of Kosovo and the members of the civil society to further continue their efforts in order to provide a better understanding on the Bioethics to a broader spectrum of Kosovo's society. This was made possible by organizing a scientific conference that had a great public attention. I personally believe that Kosovo being the youngest European country and having the youngest European population provides a chance and a opportunity to further promote the importance of the bioethics as curricular part of the education system.



Dr. Majlinda Gjocaj
*National Coordinator for TB Programme, Republic of Kosova; Dr.Curr Gjocaj , General Director of Hospitals and Clinical Services , Republic of Kosova;*

Ethical Dilemmas on Tuberculosis: Individual rights v/s Public rights

*In this presentation we are trying to elaborate ethical dilemmas on TB Care and Control in Kosovo. Are we faced with the same ethical dilemmas like the other part of the world?!*
Many years ago when I was 10, I heard a popular kosovar old song about TB on radio: *Ah my dear daughter Minire Ah, this "veremi"* has blackened your lungs ,is going to take your life , 20 years old is going to put in the grave. I still remember that sad voice and music mourners of the song.* You can only understand what TB is, what TB means, when you hear individual stories of illness of patients, families, health care workers and communities members, when you hear and see their courage, their hard work , their fight every day, month after month and sometimes year after year. Many people in Kosovo think of tuberculosis as a diseases of the past, but reality is different. Still we have 800 new cases each year, with the incidence 43.7/100.000 and around 62% of them between 14-45 years old. Every year we report to WHO, GF, ECDC etc with a lot of indicators, a lot of TB often is presented as a statistical problem, on the PC screens, on the daily news , on websites you see the numbers, the numbers of new cases, cases that die every day and also a lot of numbers presented for TB grants and funds globally submitted by the governments. We celebrate each year also the World TB Day !!!But beyond the numbers and statistic, the human side of the diseases, the every day challenges, the human rights of patients and health workers dealing with TB, ethics and morals of doing things, where are? What is the relationship between ethical values and human rights principles on the long road of treatment of patients suffering with TB? Is TB and individual problem? Where are the individual human right and where are the public health right regarding TB? Exist any balance among them? If yes, how to keep this balance? Is still stigma and lack of knowledge about TB of Kosovo society, makes peoples fearful of taking the care they need, deserve and have to? What ethical values are particularly important to TB care and con-

trol in Kosova? *Are these same ethical principles in Kosova TB National Programme? Are we faced with the same ethical dilemmas like the other part of the world,* Is respect for patient autonomy and the right of self determined, does the government have a fundamental obligation to provide universal access to high-quality TB diagnosis and treatment, and to address the social determinants that are largely responsible for TB, what is the ethical justification for giving individuals information and counselling about tests and treatments they are being asked to undergo, is the process of contact investigations and nominal notification of the TB patients an ethical dilemma? Is it ever ethically acceptable to resort to involuntary isolation and detention in the context of TB?

The same ethical dilemmas, maybe, only maybe the same ethical solutions only people in the first line knows, we have only to advise them and to join them, help them in their fight against TB, despite which side we are, patients or not…



Dr.sci. Naim Fanaj,
*Director of Mental Health Center, Prizren, Kosovo*

Mental disorders of physicians and psychiatrists: revealing, treating and responding to ethical violations

Knowledge of the presence of mental disorders to psychiatrists and physicians, revealing and treating with them and their ethical aspects. It is a quantitative and qualitative research. We reviewed the literature and drafted a questionnaire on the subject. This is provided to fill to LPSH's members via email (fulfilled by 29) and other physicians through an electronic forum (fulfilled by 42).

20.7% of psychiatrists and 19% of doctors admit that they had a mental disorder. 44% of psychiatrists and 45%of other physicians will reveal illnessto family / relatives; 44% vs 28% - to colleagues, 6% vs 20% to institution etc. 37% of psychiatrists and 43% of physicians and give no reason why will not reveal the illness; 34% of physicians and 23% of psychiatrists don't reveal because of professional integrity. 78.6% of physicians and 68% of psychiatrists see peer counseling treatment as preferred. In case of violation of ethics 51.7% of psychiatrists and 2.4% of physicians would advise a colleague; 44.8% of psychiatrists and 40.5% of doctors will inform institution.
Information about mental illness of psychiatrists / physicians is limited. Revealing this fact is hindered by fear of ruining professional integrity. As half of professionals will not inform institution for ethical violations by colleagues.



Dr. Arsim Gerxhaliu
*Director – Institute of Forensic Medicine*
*Ministry of Justice R. of Kosovo*

The right of families to know for the fate of the missing

In Kosovo there are still 1650 missing bodies, for the fate of which we know nothing. During the period of last seventeen years, we have been able to convince some of the family members of the missing persons to give blood for Deoxyribonucleic Acid (DNA) analysis. The communication with the family members of the missing persons is not always an easy job due to their strong believe that their beloved are still alive and held captive in private prisons in Serbia. The HOPE that their family members are still alive and kept in Serbia came as a result of the interference of the persons who materially benefited from the family members.

This stance of the family members makes our professional performance more difficult since the HOPE that their family members are still alive, is very strong. This HOPE, prevents them from giving blood for the DNA test and in this way they unconsciously contribute to slowing downthe entire identification process.



Mr.MA. Xhemajl Dugolli
*Director in the Special Institute in Shtime*

Adhering to ethical principles in mental health institutions of the Republic of Kosovo

*Mr.sci. Dr. Miftar Zenelaj- psichiatrist Director of Center for Integration and Rehabilitation of Chronic ill Psychiatric Patients-Shtime and, Mr.MA Xhemajl Dugolli Director in the Special Institute in Shtime*

The majority of people who suffer from mental illnesses, function relatively all right, therefore stigmatism from our society is unnecessary. Ethical principles have to be implemented with caution towards these patients' special weaknesses. Very often these patients with mental disorders refuse medical treatment. The psychiatric duty is to evaluate the *competence* which is defined by

legal norms. Because of this, bioethics should be consulted as a second opinion, where the mental health laws came from, which allow the psychiatrist to treat patients against his will. The psychiatrist is entrusted with the evaluation of the psychic patient's state.

Population's awareness about the rights and obligations has led to the development of a new form of applied ethics, from which bioethics came as a new discipline of global ethics which is further closely related to the health care in psychiatry, to patients' autonomy in self-determination, to charity forms which aren't paternal and to seeking appropriate therapy.

Bioethics goes beyond the traditional and deontological request for proper patients' actions requested by psychiatrists who avoid abstract excuses of ethical philosophy. This is an open form of dialogue. A discourse which doesn't lead to the conflict with professional ethics in the psychiatric health care department.

The discipline of bioethics has oriented a wide range of investigations about the human, starting with debates about life borders, like: abortion, euthanasia, organ donation, human genetics engineering, biological manipulation of DNA. These developments will influence further evolution of human bioethics, therefore they are asking for new treatments.

Many religious communities have their own history in the field of bioethics. Many of them have applied rules and instructions within their standpoints and beliefs. Different beliefs, like those Jewish, Christian and Muslim have developed a considerate body of bioethical literature. In many Asian cultures special ethical norms have been developed, for example Buddhist bioethics, which has a rational and pragmatic approach, comes from a naturalist opinion.

The challenging psychiatric future and its support by bioethics are motives to think of and develop moral imagination.

General psychiatric knowledge and the state of the society, the dominant beliefs, the level of economic and technologic development, culture, tradition, education and civilization define the future of bioethics in psychiatry.



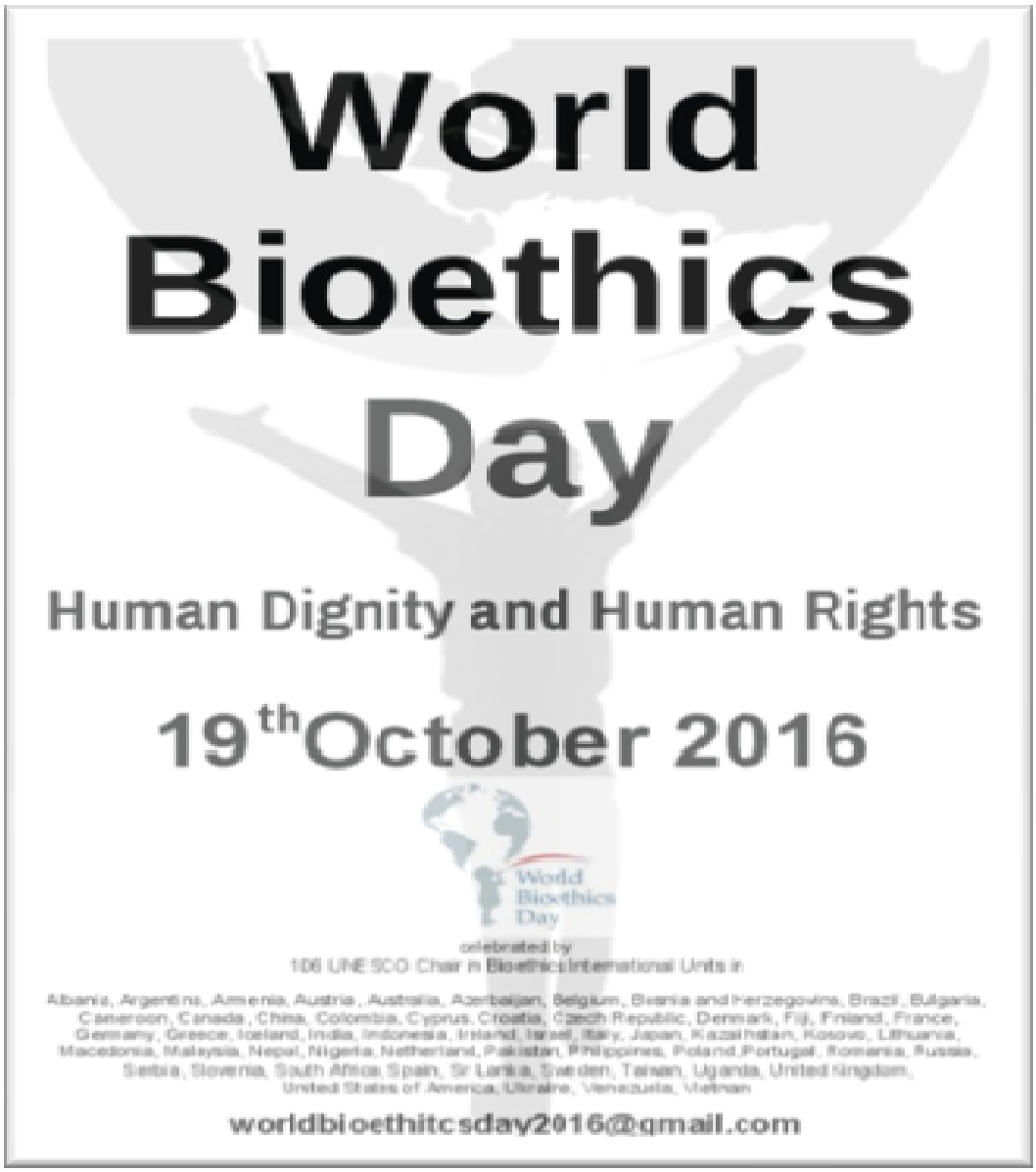


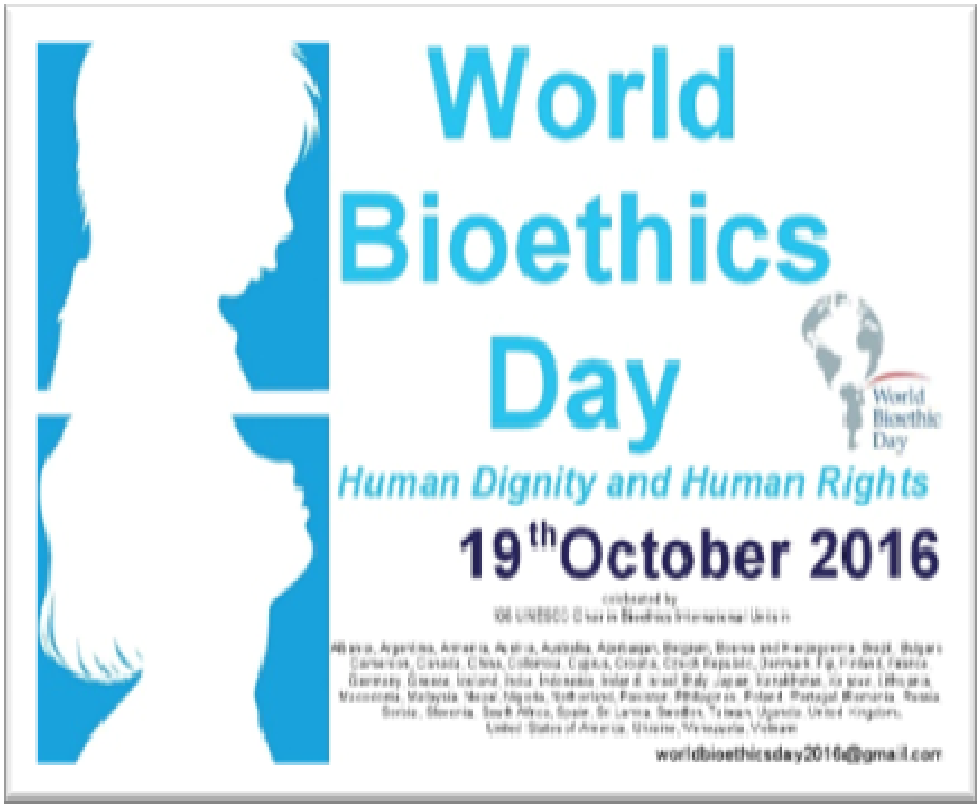
## LITHUANIA UNIT

The First celebration of WORLD BIOETHICS DAY on 9th October 2016, as announced by Prof. Gintautas Vysniauskas, Head of the Lithuanian Unit, has been opened by the speech of the Dean of Faculty of Health Sciences of Klaipeda University, Prof. Dr. Artūras Razbadauskas, followed by the greetings of the highest local representatives and the greetings of local representative of UNESCO, Prof. Dr. Dalia Marija Stančienė.

In the second part of the celebrations there has been a guest lecture by Director of Lithuanian Bioethics Committee, Prof. Dr. Eugenijus Gefenas on the topic "Human Dignity and Human Rights" followed by a Conference on "Human Dignity and Human Rights".

Finally, there have been presented some posters for human dignity and human rights competition.

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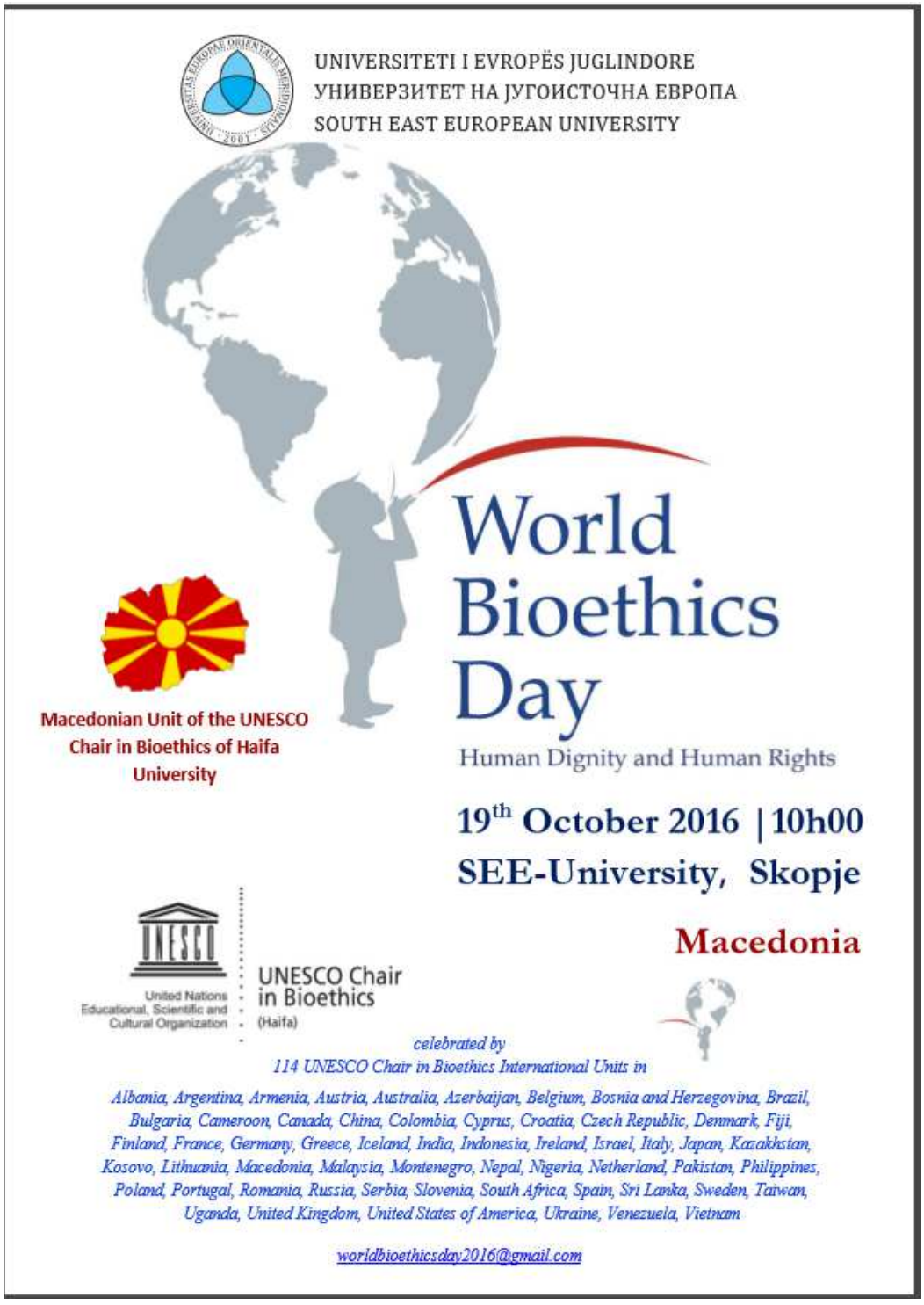
## MACEDONIA UNIT

On Wednesday (19th October 2106) South East European University in Skopje observed World Bioethics Day. According to the Rector of SEEU, Prof. Dr. Zamir Dika, bioethics on a global scale is becoming part of the global activities aimed at creating interactive policies that reflect humanist values.



This trend has contributed towards activities that will coordinate collective actions on a global scale, by giving the rightful place to bioethics in education and research. “For this purpose, the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics was established, based in Haifa University in Israel; Macedonia has also been a member of this network since 2007, becoming the 12th member state. A crucial role in this membership was played by SEEU by promoting the Bioethics Unit, which is led successfully by our University. As time passed, this network got larger and so it now has over 100 member countries," said the Rector. He added that this year, for the first time, UNESCO has declared 19th October as World Bioethics Day. This day is celebrated in all member states on the same date, at the same time and with the same theme: Human Dignity and Human Rights.

Others addressing the celebration were the Rector of Mother Teresa University in Skopje, Prof. Dr. Azis Pollozhani, who spoke about Cultural Competencies in Narrative Medicine; and Prof. Dr. Mentor Hamiti, the head of the Bioethics Unit of Macedonia at SEEU, also addressed recent and current activities of the Unit.

During the panel debate, the following academics presented their papers: Prof. Dr. Mirushe Hoxha (Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje) spoke on Ethical Skills and Education; Doc. Dr. Elena Ignovska (Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje) spoke on Children's Rights: The Right to Access to Information about One’s Genetic Origin; Prof. Dr. Liljana Siljanovska (SEEU) presented on Freedom of Speech and Expression through Real Media Communication; Prof. Dr. Ali Pajaziti (SEEU) presented on Values, Ethics and the University - The Case of Macedonia; and Mr. Goran Rizvanov (Metamorphosis Foundation, Skopje) addressed Human Rights on the Internet. This discussion was moderated by Dr. Demush Bajrami and Vedije Ratkoceri, PhD assistant.



Ass. Prof. Dr. Elena Ignovska,
Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje

Children Rights: The Right to Access to Information about One’s Genetic Origin

The identity issues usually come apparent in adolescent years. Therefore it is very likely that children conceived by donation of genetic material or adopted will experience the urge to know and meet their genetic parents later on in life. This depends to a large extent on the parents’ decision regarding disclosure, as well as the nationally accepted strategies to enable the enforcement of it. Even though the right of the child to know his/hers’ origins as stipulated in *article 7* of the *Convention on the Rights of the Child* (*CRC*) is unique in the sense that it is not stipulated in the same manner in any other international convention, some parts of it can be identified, or upheld in the right to identity as embodied in *article 8*, or in the right to maintain regular contacts with the child’s parents as provided in *article 4* of the *Convention on Contact Concerning Children*. From a comparative study of the other European national legislations as well as the *European Court of Human Rights’* jurisprudence, it becomes evident that the right to identity was largely

an undeveloped concept in the past. Its controversy was related to its relational aspects placing the right in a position to be balanced with the rights and interests of the other parties – the donor itself and the parents to be. Nevertheless, in recent years, a high recognition is given to the right to know one's genetic origins. Even more, the right is related with the obligation of the national systems to enable its exercise (case *Mandet v. France*).

This topic has been neglected in the national Macedonian context too, because the starting point has always been confidentiality. Consequently, the topical *Family Law* and the *Law on Bio-Medically Assisted Fertilization* are compromising the right of the child to know his/hers' genetic identity by prioritizing interests of donors and parents before interests of children.

The family law provisions for establishing parenthood in the Republic of Macedonia do not apply in cases in which conceptions occurred through assisted fertilization. This pattern of regulating legal affiliation places children in categories on grounds of birth and offers different treatments, and accordingly discriminates among them (confronting *articles 12*, *2* and *18* of the *CRC*). To overcome such legal inconsistency, a concept of open identity in reproductive matters should be introduced. This could also prevent inbreeding, legal misunderstandings and vague disputes over paternity and maternity. The act of assisted reproduction should take a child-oriented perspective, promoting the best interests of the child before the interests and preferences of the parents and donors. The term *parent* should have a precise meaning in order to differentiate the diverse roles that a person might have in a child's life. Defining the difference between the genetic and the legal parent correlates with the reality of conception with donated genetic material. Therefore the right to information about personal identity should not be covered up by the adults' stigmatization of the act of reproduction.



Prof. Dr. Mirushe Hoxha,
Ss. Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje

The Holistic Ethical Education in Universities: Steps to Ethical Skills in Higher Education

This presentation aims to point up the importance of holistic (integrative) ethical education within the higher education. Much of the debate over ethical education has been focused on the moral formation of the children rather than of the adults, including advantages and disadvantages of three approaches to moral formation, referred to as traditional character education, rational moral education, and integrative or holistic ethical education. While stressing the importance of the latter approach in higher education covering the age of adults, the paper gives insight to the three above-mentioned approaches. Traditional character education sets forth the incorporation of the higher traits of human's character as the proper aim of education, rational moral education emphasizes the development of autonomous moral judgement as well as the

ability to reach consensus according to principle of fairness, while the integrative approach acknowledges both the importance of certain character traits and reflective reasoning of justice in intentional democratic procedures. The holistic ethical education in higher education supports the attitude that the goal of higher education should not be limited only to the knowledge acquisition but that it should also include the moral formation of the students. Some of the ethical skills that the students should be addressed are: ethical sensitivity, ethical judgment, ethical focus, and ethical action. In parallel with the finding that the learning process never stops, the importance of holistic ethical education of students/adults is corroborated by the absence of ethical basis in most of the contemporary undertakings (deeds; actions; agenda and so forth).



Prof. Dr. Ali Pajaziti,
South East European University, Tetovo

Values, Ethics and University: The Case of Macedonia

Values can be defined as general standards, as measures of goodness or desirability, as higher order norms (Carrow et.al., 1998). Social values are moral goals to which we commit ourselves. Sociological theories and those about collective deviation today speak about the risk society, moral panic (Thompson), moral breakdown, etc. Some analyzers of the social context of our time use terms such as “the time of evil”, “of the wicked”... Various authors tells us about a corrupted world, about a state in which both the people and elites have lost the elementary ethical standards. (Eigen, 2003: 171) "Corruption (lat. corruptio, corrumpere, i.e., to distort, pervert) is the most controversial problem of the world", stated Cobus de Swardt, managing director at Transparency International. It is a social disease that cruises the body of the society; it is one of the most negative phenomena of the era in which we live; it is an infection that attacks almost all societies, even countries with a high level of well-being. Academia or universities are social instances that build our cosmos and structure of society (Frank & Gabier 2006). 21st century universities are in a crisis that is moral among other things. By this research, our intention was to tackle the mechanism behind the various forms of abuse of power in universities in Republic of Macedonia.

The empirical part of this research, done in the period 2012-2013, is based on semi-structured interviews (21 basic questions) with 25 alumni of different private and state universities in Macedonia, a survey (a sample of 998 university students), a focus group (master students), a questionnaire on the Universities’ Code of Ethics (5 universities, SEEU, SUT, FON, Balkan University, SS Cyril and Methodius) and a round table (university professors, media, NGO representatives, analysts etc.). From the whole research findings, we conclude that students did not seem to have a very pleasant university experience, that corruption is present in academic circles, that there is a lack of trust in academia. Survey results show that more than ¼ of the students use friends very often to pass the exam, that 24 % use bribe as a tool for passing an exam and that professors sell their books to students using their power.



Assoc. Prof. Dr. Liljana Siljanovska,
South East European University, Tetovo

Freedom of Speech and Expression through Real Media Communication

Tools for mass communication influence on creating and channeling of public opinion for every segment of social life; in era of globalization they erase the borders of events in sphere of information. Freedom of expression is in tight connection with media culture in a country, even there are national law provisions, European and international letters and declarations, which is an expression of democratization of her institutions. Pluralism of interests is in danger if there is a partisanship of media, concentration of power from financial oligarchy, selective approach to topics selection and to sources of information and ideologization of media content, especially in countries in transition like Republic of Macedonia is. Then, that influences on decreasing of the awareness of the critical opinion, and media expression can- through reduced, transformed and unilateral approach- to manipulate public opinion. This media reality is pushed to be the ideology of a new collective single- mindedness and is in conflict with the system of values which is the conflict of old and new European values and with no creative approach. Reform of media sphere in Republic of Macedonia in the process of Euro- integration should move towards the democratization of organizational placement, better independency of the editorial policy, elimination of the influence of business oligarchies and political influences, and in the same time standardization of the quality and diversity of media contents.
**Keywords**: Freedom of speech, Media Conformism, Media reality, Pluralism of Interests, Critical opinion



Mr. Goran Rizvanov,
Metamorphosis Foundation, Skopje

Human Rights on the Internet / Digital Human Rights

The presentation lists the human rights on the internet according to the Council of Europe. First, the right to Access the internet and non-discrimination as a precondition for practicing all the other human rights, than Freedom of expression and information, the right for Assembly, asso-

ciation and participation, Privacy and data protection, Education and literacy, Children's rights on the internet and the right for an Effective remedy and redress.
Afterwards it concentrates on the lack of implementation of digital human rights laws in Macedonia regarding the Freedom of expression and information and the Privacy and data protection. These rights and their protection are equally breached in Macedonia off and online by the government and by the commercial companies.
At the end the presentation shows brochures and projects made by Metamorphosis Foundation in Macedonia in order to help people know how to protect their digital rights.



Ms. Aleksandra Zivkovikj,
Youth Educational Forum, Skopje

Ethics at the University and the Student as a Part of the Academic Community

The transfer of the higher education from elitist to massive at the 20th century, brings radical changes in the relations between different stake holders. The academia opens the gates for many previously discriminated groups who didn't have access to higher education such as women, marginalised groups, disabled people etc. Therefore, the universities become fruitful arena for conflicts and enhancing mistrust between different groups. During the speech, the different tools which are used by higher institutions in order to address these problems and combat stereotypes in the academic community were explained. On another hand, students' needs influence the services and products offered by the higher education institutions. Therefore, their role is significant in building the moral codex in the academia.





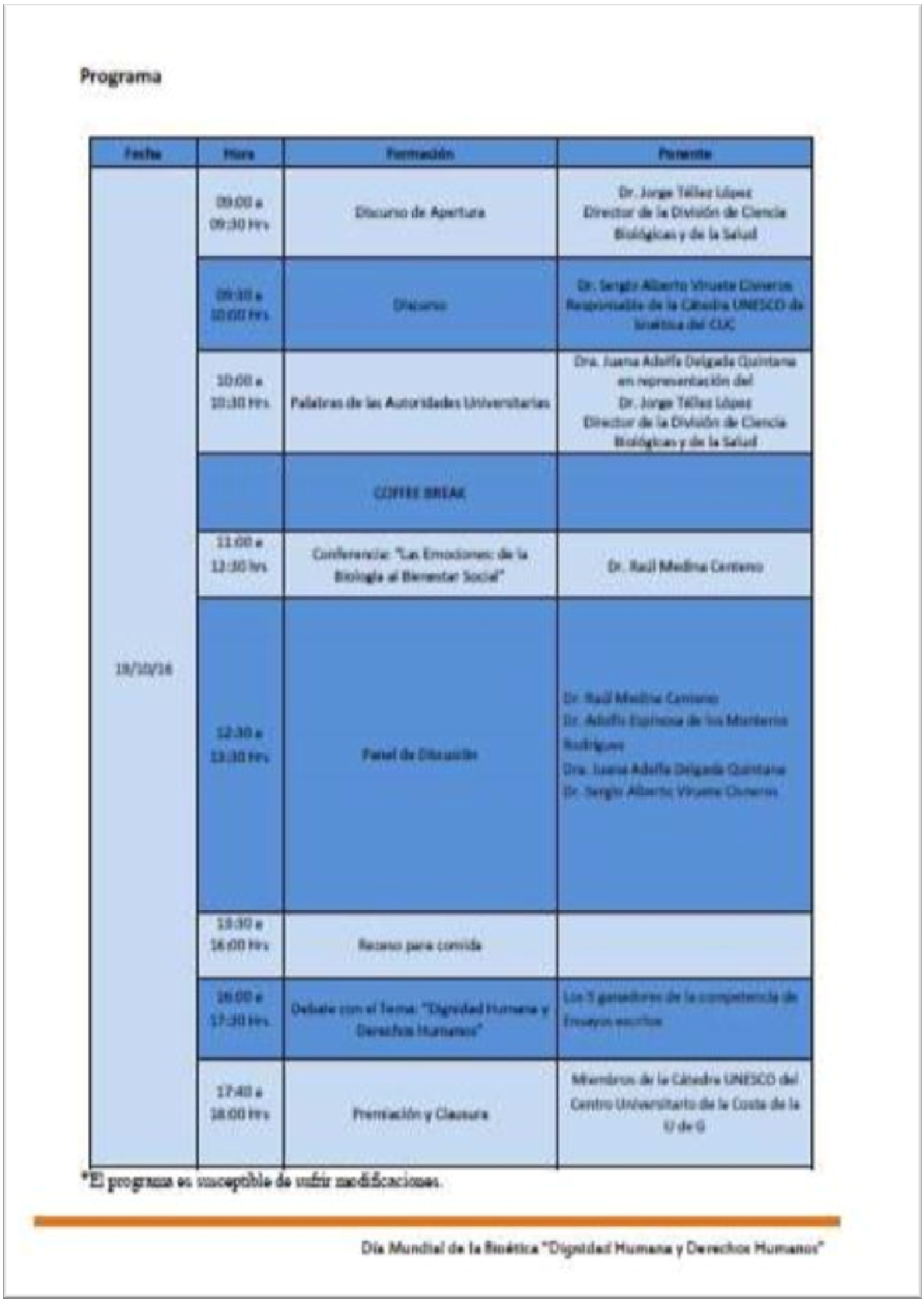


## MEXICO UNIT

Under the supervision of its Head Prof. Sergio Alberto Viruete Cisneros, at the Centro Universitario de la Costa, Universidad de Guadalajara, Av. Universidad de Guadalajara, the Mexican Unit has celebrated the first World Bioethics day on 19th October 2016.



The following is the program organized by the Unit:



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| | 11:00 a 12:30 hrs | Conferencia: "Las Emociones: de la Biología al Bienestar Social" | Dr. Raúl Medina Centeno |
| | 12:30 a 13:30 hrs | Panel de Discusión | Dr. Raúl Medina Centeno<br>Dr. Adolfo Espinosa de los Monteros Rodríguez<br>Dra. Juana Adolfa Delgado Quintana<br>Dr. Sergio Alberto Viruete Cisneros |
| | 13:30 a 16:00 hrs | Receso para comida | |
| | 16:00 a 17:30 hrs | Debate con el Tema: "Dignidad Humana y Derechos Humanos" | Los 5 ganadores de la competencia de Ensayos escritos |
| | 17:40 a 18:00 hrs | Premiación y Clausura | Miembros de la Cátedra UNESCO del Centro Universitario de la Costa de la U de G |

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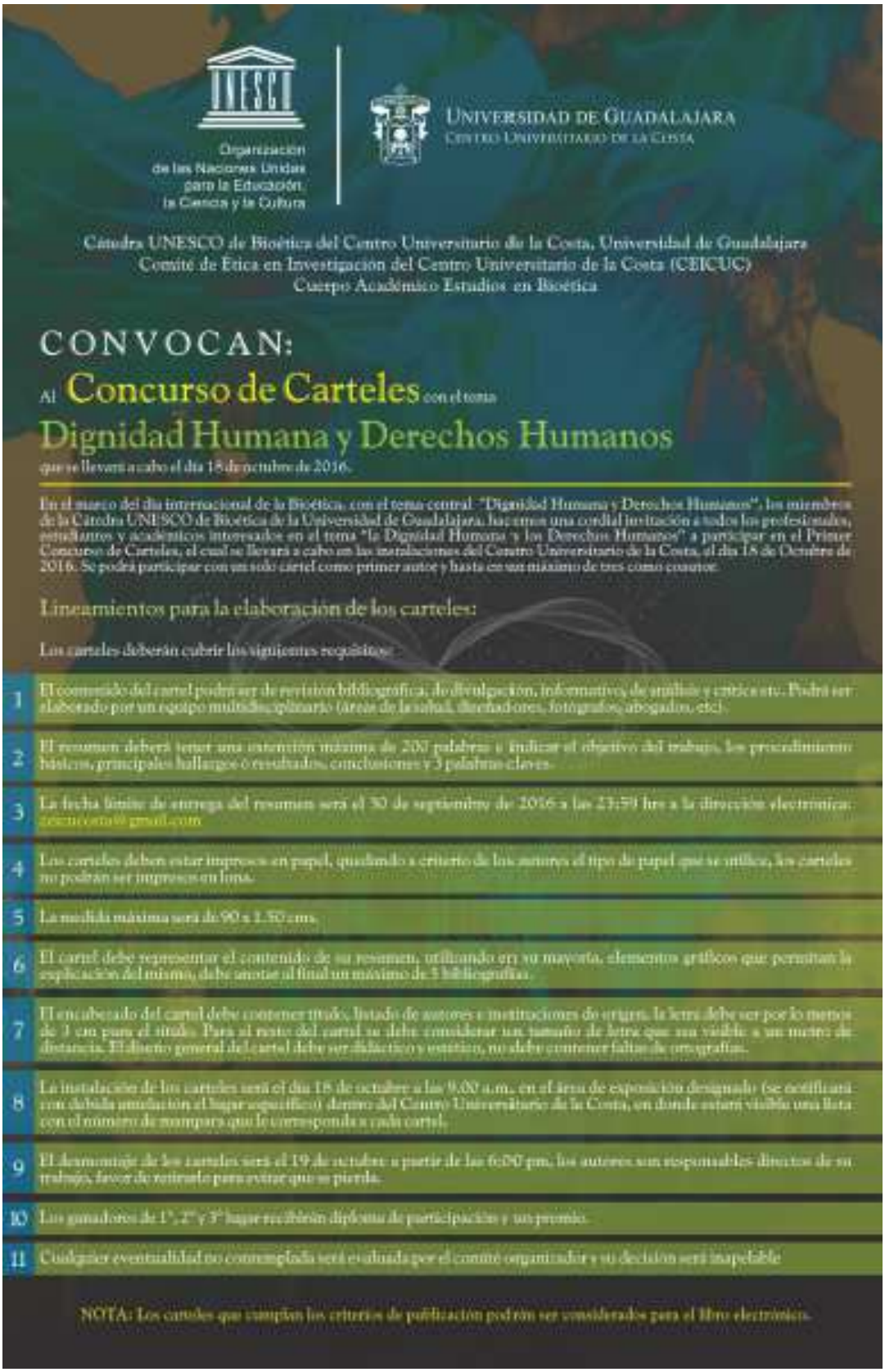
Día Mundial de la Bioética "Dignidad Humana y Derechos Humanos"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CONVOCAN:
Al Concurso de Carteles con el tema
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que se llevará a cabo el día 18 de octubre de 2016.
En el marco del día internacional de la Bioética, con el tema central: "Dignidad Humana y Derechos Humanos", los miembros de la Cátedra UNESCO de Bioética de la Universidad de Guadalajara, hacemos una cordial invitación a todos los profesionales, estudiantes y académicos interesados en el tema "la Dignidad Humana y los Derechos Humanos" a participar en el Primer Concurso de Carteles, el cual se llevará a cabo en las instalaciones del Centro Universitario de la Costa, el día 18 de Octubre de 2016. Se podrá participar con un solo cartel como primer autor y hasta en un máximo de tres como coautor.
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1 El contenido del cartel podrá ser de revisión bibliográfica, de divulgación, informativo, de análisis y crítica etc. Podrá ser elaborado por un equipo multidisciplinario (áreas de la salud, diseñadores, fotógrafos, abogados, etc).
2 El resumen deberá tener una extensión máxima de 200 palabras e indicar el objetivo del trabajo, los procedimientos básicos, principales hallazgos o resultados, conclusiones y 5 palabras claves.
3 La fecha límite de entrega del resumen será el 30 de septiembre de 2016 a las 23:59 hrs a la dirección electrónica: ceicuc@gmail.com
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10 Los ganadores de 1°, 2° y 3° lugar recibirán diploma de participación y un premio.
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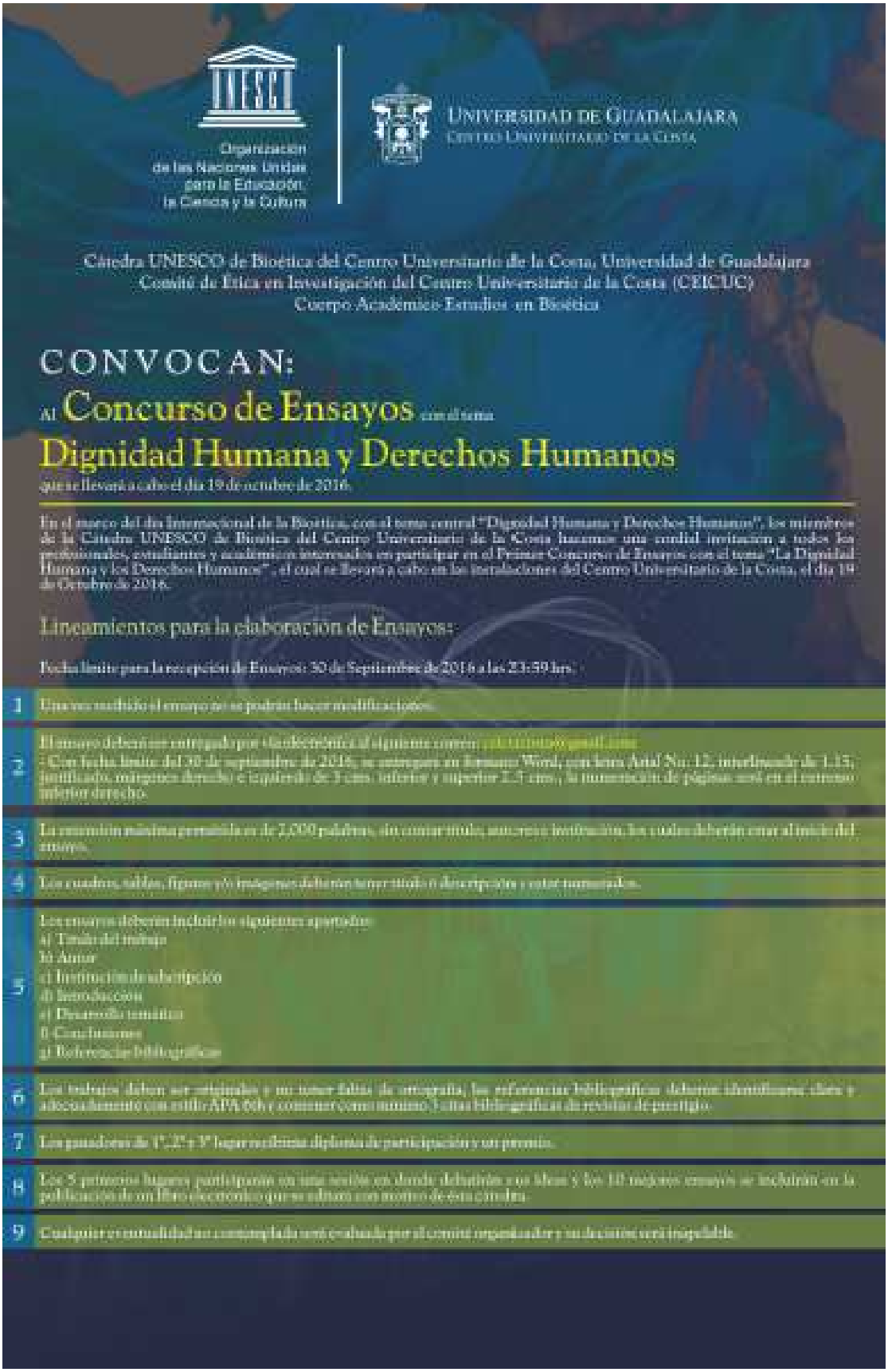
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b) Autor
c) Institución de adscripción
d) Introducción
e) Desarrollo temático
f) Conclusiones
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8 Los 5 primeros lugares participarán en una sesión en donde defenderán sus ideas y los 10 mejores ensayos se incluirán en la publicación de un libro electrónico que se editará con motivo de esta cátedra.
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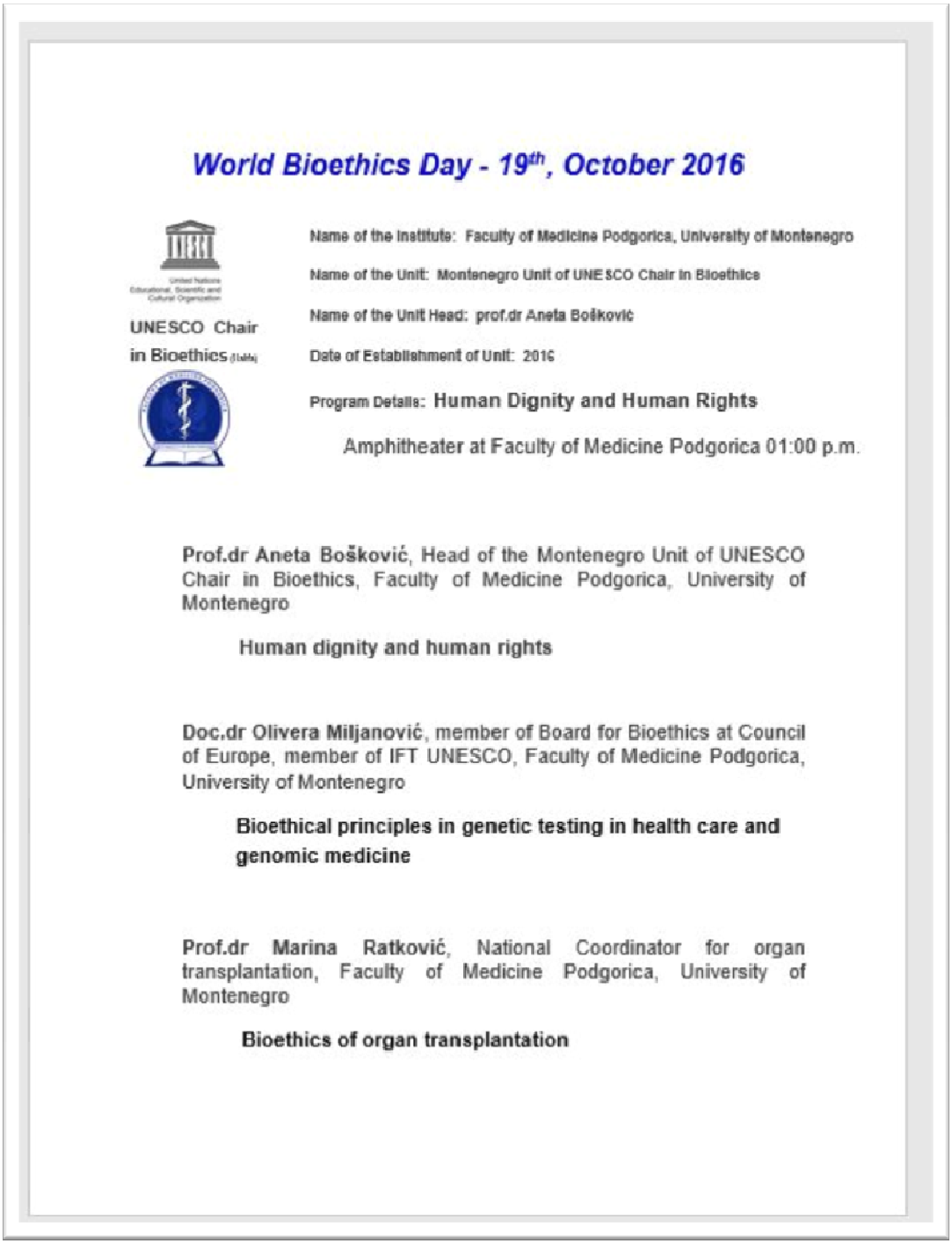
## MONTENEGRO UNIT

Under the supervision of its Head, Prof. Aneta Boskovic, MD, MSc, PhD, the Montenegro Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics organized a celebration of the World Bioethics Day at Faculty of Medicine Podgorica, University of Montenegro for the first time. The event was held on Wednesday, October 19 th , 2016, from 01:00 to 02:30 p.m.



**World Bioethics Day - 19th, October 2016**

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics

Name of the Institute: Faculty of Medicine Podgorica, University of Montenegro

Name of the Unit: Montenegro Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics

Name of the Unit Head: prof.dr Aneta Bošković

Date of Establishment of Unit: 2016

Program Details: **Human Dignity and Human Rights**

Amphitheater at Faculty of Medicine Podgorica 01:00 p.m.

Prof.dr Aneta Bošković, Head of the Montenegro Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Faculty of Medicine Podgorica, University of Montenegro

**Human dignity and human rights**

Doc.dr Olivera Miljanović, member of Board for Bioethics at Council of Europe, member of IFT UNESCO, Faculty of Medicine Podgorica, University of Montenegro

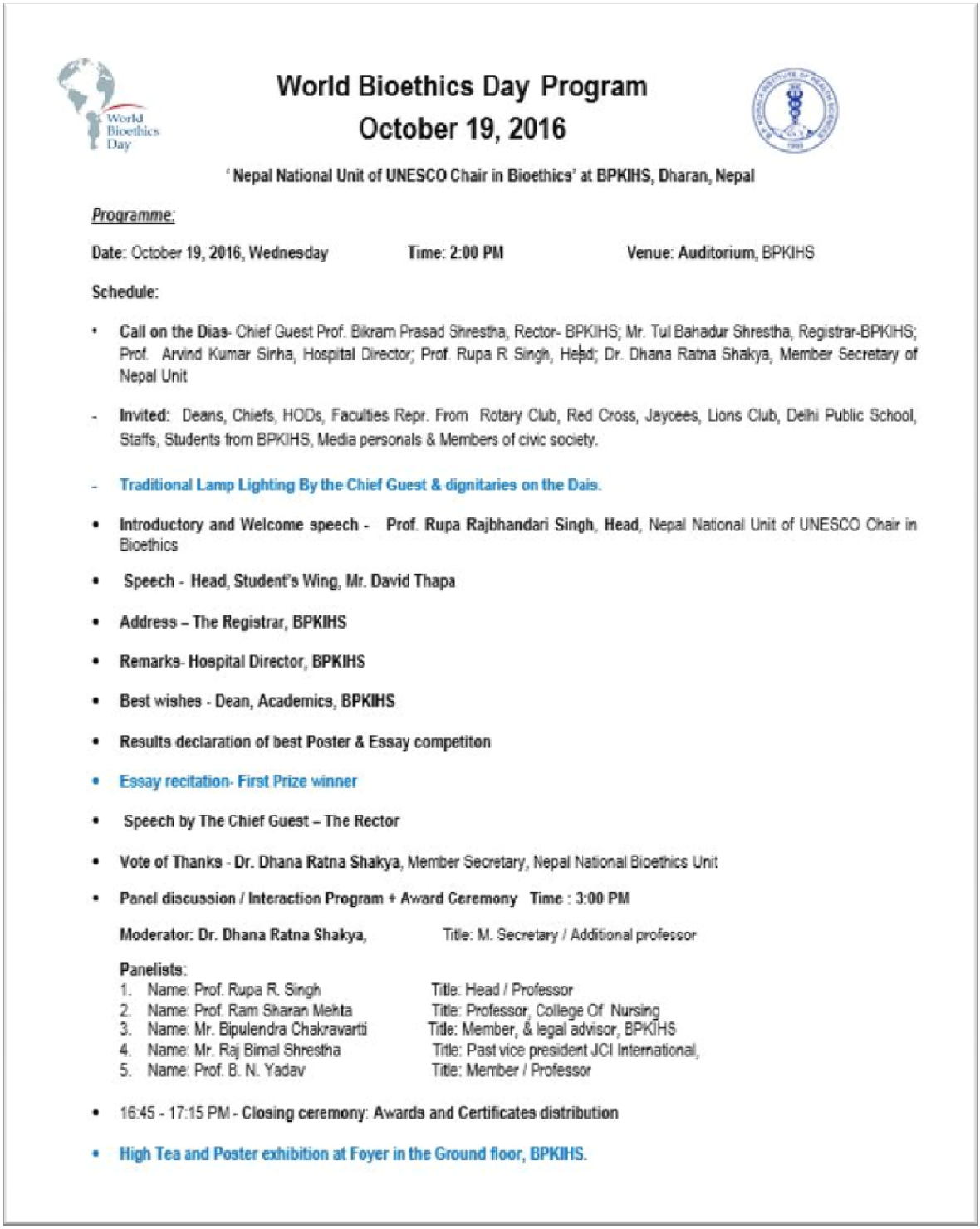
**Bioethical principles in genetic testing in health care and genomic medicine**

Prof.dr Marina Ratković, National Coordinator for organ transplantation, Faculty of Medicine Podgorica, University of Montenegro

**Bioethics of organ transplantation**

## NEPAL UNIT

The Nepal National Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics at the B. P. Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, under the supervision of its Unit Head, Prof. Rupa Rajbhandari Singh, has celebrated the World Bioethics Day with the following program:



**World Bioethics Day Program**
**October 19, 2016**

**'Nepal National Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics' at BPKIHS, Dharan, Nepal**

*Programme:*

**Date**: October 19, 2016, Wednesday **Time**: 2:00 PM **Venue**: Auditorium, BPKIHS

**Schedule:**

- **Call on the Dias**- Chief Guest Prof. Bikram Prasad Shrestha, Rector- BPKIHS; Mr. Tul Bahadur Shrestha, Registrar-BPKIHS; Prof. Arvind Kumar Sinha, Hospital Director; Prof. Rupa R Singh, Head; Dr. Dhana Ratna Shakya, Member Secretary of Nepal Unit
- **Invited:** Deans, Chiefs, HODs, Faculties Repr. From Rotary Club, Red Cross, Jaycees, Lions Club, Delhi Public School, Staffs, Students from BPKIHS, Media personals & Members of civic society.
- **Traditional Lamp Lighting By the Chief Guest & dignitaries on the Dais.**
- **Introductory and Welcome speech - Prof. Rupa Rajbhandari Singh, Head**, Nepal National Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics
- **Speech - Head, Student's Wing, Mr. David Thapa**
- **Address – The Registrar, BPKIHS**
- **Remarks- Hospital Director, BPKIHS**
- **Best wishes - Dean, Academics, BPKIHS**
- **Results declaration of best Poster & Essay competiton**
- **Essay recitation- First Prize winner**
- **Speech by The Chief Guest – The Rector**
- **Vote of Thanks - Dr. Dhana Ratna Shakya**, Member Secretary, Nepal National Bioethics Unit
- **Panel discussion / Interaction Program + Award Ceremony Time : 3:00 PM**

  **Moderator: Dr. Dhana Ratna Shakya,** Title: M. Secretary / Additional professor

  **Panelists:**
  1. Name: Prof. Rupa R. Singh — Title: Head / Professor
  2. Name: Prof. Ram Sharan Mehta — Title: Professor, College Of Nursing
  3. Name: Mr. Bipulendra Chakravartti — Title: Member, & legal advisor, BPKIHS
  4. Name: Mr. Raj Bimal Shrestha — Title: Past vice president JCI International,
  5. Name: Prof. B. N. Yadav — Title: Member / Professor

- 16:45 - 17:15 PM - **Closing ceremony: Awards and Certificates distribution**
- **High Tea and Poster exhibition at Foyer in the Ground floor, BPKIHS.**




UNESCO Chair in Bioethics

# World Bioethics Day

## October 19, 2016

## Theme: Human dignity and Human rights

**Venue: Auditorium** BPKIHS, Dharan

**Program high lights:** 1. Panel discussion

2. Poster exhibition, 3. Award distribution for Poster & Essay

**Nepal National Unit of UNESCO Chair in Bioethics**

World Bioethics Day



*Head, Member Secretary and members (Prof's. Sami Lama and Shivlal Sharma) with the members of newly established BPKIHS Students' Wing*

## PAKISTAN UNIT

The World Bioethics Day will be celebrated on 19th October 2016 in Pakistan under the guidance of Prof. Rizwan Taj, Head of Psychiatry Department PIMS/SZABMU Islamabad Chair UNESCO Bioethics Pakistan and Prof. Nasira Tasneem Gynecologist, PIMS/SZABMU Islamabad with the participation of consultant, surgeons physician, post graduate residents, medical officer and house officer.

The activities arranged and organized on celebrating World Bioethics Day in Pakistan on 19th October 2016were a series of activities organized by Department of Psychiatry, Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences/Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Medical University, in promoting concepts of bioethics at various forums.

A comprehensive report on activities is as follows:

1. Day started with an opening two hours workshop on Medical Ethics and professionalism among physician and surgeons was held at Psychiatry Department. Professor Rizwan Taj, Consultant Psychiatrist, Chairperson Psychiatry dept and UNESCO Bioethics Pakistan, was the presenter. This was attended by huge number of medical health professionals.

2. A two hours seminar on “Class room Ethics and its impact on student’s mental health” was arranged at a local school. Audience was school teachers from different schools.

3. A Seminar on “Media and Ethics” was held and was attended by journalists, print and electronic media persons.

4. A talk on “Medical ethics and nursing care” was organized for nurses from all specialties (Both from government and private sector).

Pictorial glimpses of some the events are:
















## POLAND – LODZ UNIT

At the Medical University of Lodz, Poland, under the supervision of its Heads Dr. Anna Alichniewicz and Dr. Monika Michałowska, World Bioethics Day celebrations was opened with the speeches by Anna Alichniewicz and Monika Michałowska on “Human dignity and human rights in pluralistic societies“, followed by the guest lecture by the eminent personality in Bioethics, Prof. Kazimierz Szewczyk.

After the speeches and the lecture, there have been an open discussion of 1 hour on bioethics issues, followed by a workshop on human rights in medicine for medical students of the Medical University of Łódź and a lesson on human dignity and human rights and challenges of contemporary medicine addressed to high school students.

## POLAND – WARSAW UNIT

At University of Warsaw, Institute of Philosophy the Polish Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics under the supervision of its Head Joanna Rozynska, PhD has organized a Conference on “Human Dignity, Human Rights and Bioethics”, opened with the speech by Head of the Institution, followed by a speech on Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights, In Search of Foundations for Global Bioethics and Biolaw by Joanna Różyńska, PhD, Head of the Unit; University of Warsaw.

Then there was a guest lecture on Indispensability of Dignity in Bioethics and Biolaw, Prof. PawełŁuków, PhD, University of Warsaw & Warsaw Medical University and member of the Polish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa.

After a break there was the panel discussion on Bioethics and Human Rights, in particular Prof. Alicja Przyłuska-Fiszer, PhD, Warsaw Academy of Physical Education and member of the Polish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa talked about Dignity and Rights of Persons with Disabilities; Prof. Bigniew Szawarski, Head of the Bioethics Committee of the Polish Academy of Science and member of the Polish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa, talked about Dignity and Rights of the Dying Patient and Maria Boratyńska, PhD, University of Warsaw and member of the Polish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa who talked about Reproductive Rights as Human Rights.

The event also saw the exhibition of posters submitted by students, presented in the conference venue during the conference as well as after the conference in the Center for Bioethics and Biolaw affiliated at the Institute of Philosophy of the University of Warsaw.

# UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)

World Bioethics Day 2016

POLAND UNIT

## World Bioethics Day 2016 Symposium on "Human Dignity, Human Rights and Bioethics"

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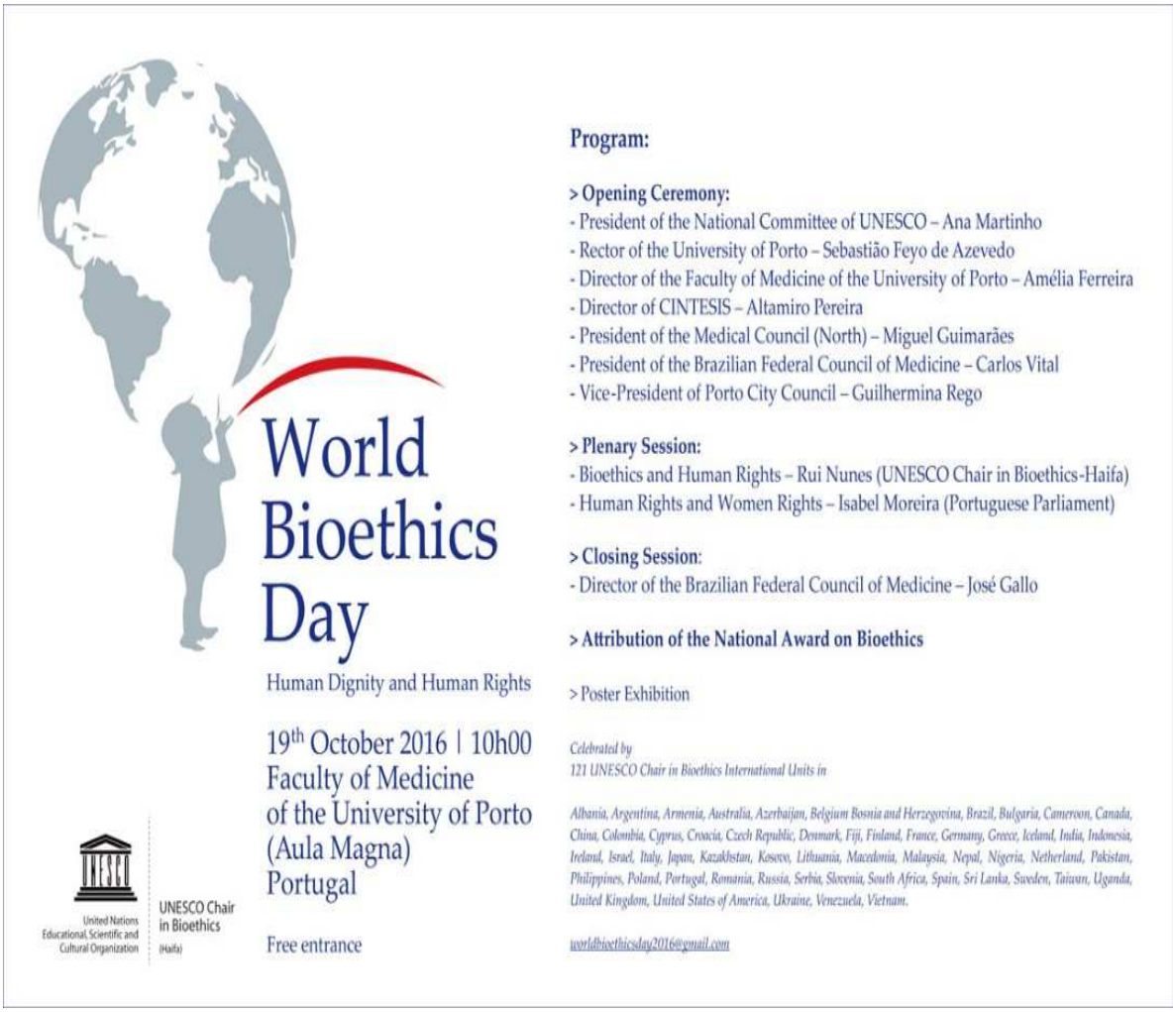
| **Part 1 – Introduction** | |
| 15.00-15.15 | ***Opening speech***<br>Head of the Institution |
| 15.15-15.45 | ***Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights. In Search of Foundations for Global Bioethics and Biolaw***<br>Joanna Różyńska, PhD [Head of the Unit; University of Warsaw] |
| 15.45-16.00 | *Announcement of the winners of the essay and poster competition* |
| **Part 2 – Guest lecture** | |
| 16.00-16.45 | ***Indispensability of Dignity in Bioethics and Biolaw***<br>Prof. Paweł Łuków, PhD<br>[University of Warsaw & Warsaw Medical University;<br>Member of the Polish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics(Haifa)] |
| 16.45-17.00 | *Coffee break* |
| **Part 3 – Panel discussion: *Bioethics & Human Rights*** | |
| 17.00-17.20 | ***Dignity and Rights of Persons with Disabilities***<br>Prof. Alicja Przyłuska-Fiszer, PhD [Warsaw Academy of Physical Education;<br>Member of the Polish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics(Haifa)] |
| 17.20-17.40 | ***Dignity and Rights of the Dying Patient***<br>Prof. Zbigniew Szawarski<br>[Head of the Bioethics Committee of the Polish Academy of Science;<br>Member of the Polish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics(Haifa)] |
| 17.40-18.00 | ***Reproductive Rights as Human Rights***<br>Maria Boratyńska, PhD [University of Warsaw;<br>Member of the Polish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics(Haifa)] |
| 18.00-18.30 | *Plenary discussion* |
| 18.30 | *The end of the symposium* |
| **Part 4 – Poster Exhibition** | |
| 9.00-18.30 | *Exhibition of posters submitted by students The posters will be presented in the conference venue during the conference as well as after the conference in the Center for Bioethics and Biolaw affiliated at the Institute of Philosophy of the University of Warsaw.* |

## PORTUGAL UNIT

At the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Porto, the Portugal Unit whose Head is Prof. Rui Nunes, has opened the ceremony with the speeches of Dr. Ana Martinho (President of the National Committee of UNESCO), Prof. Sebastião Feyo de Azevedo (Rector of the University of Porto), Prof. Amélia Ferreira (Director of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Porto), Dr. Miguel Guimarães (President of the Medical Council – Northern Region and Dr. Carlos Vital (President of the Federal Council of Medicine – Brasil). As local representative there will be Prof. Guilhermina Rego (Vice-Mayor, City Council).




The award for an active member was given to dr. Francisca Rego for her huge contribution to the organization and development of the Portuguese Unit, namely with regard the implementation of research projects in this Unit.

The guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics was given by Prof. Isabel Moreira, Portuguese Parliament.

After the speeches there was the plenary session about Bioethics and Human Rights with Dr. José Gallo and Prof. Ivone Duarte. There was also a poster exhibition on 19/10/2016 from 9.00 to 13.00 for students, professionals and society at large.






World Bioethics Day

Human Dignity and Human Rights

19th October 2016

Portugal Unit

# Bioethics and Human Rights: The Universal Declaration on Gender Equality

Francisca Rego, Guilhermina Rego & Rui Nunes

## Introduction

Bioethics is a new human endeavour that is concerned with the ethics of life. Indeed, the ethics of all life forms, human and non-human is at its core, namely when different people, in different cultures, meet as "moral strangers". It follows that determining the ethical foundation of bioethics in a pluralistic and secular society is paramount. Human dignity has been the foundational basis of a global bioethics notwithstanding the fact that other perspectives are still compatible with this point of view, such as animal ethics or an ecological bioethics.

However, human dignity has been progressively interpreted as the implementation of human rights, *lato sensu*, but it might be questioned if a modern approach of these rights should or shouldn't emphasise women rights, specifically gender equality in many different settings.




## Bridge One: Women Rights & Gender Equality

**Familial equality:** In any culture, family is the basic unit. However, as most societies are of a patriarchal nature, women are still vulnerable in many circumstances. Therefore, it should proactively be promoted:

> Non-discrimination (condemning physical and psychological violence gender based)
> Gender Balance (proscribing any form of sex selection)

**Social equality:** Although in many countries, and in different settings, there has been a progressive implementation of positive-discriminatory policies and practices (for instance quotas in the access to public offices), there is still a long way to go to achieve gender balance in this context, namely in:

> Political Offices
> Public Administration

**Labour equality:** All over the world, there still exists huge gender disparities with regard to job access, career progression, salary level and access to senior positions in many organisations. Specifically it should be implemented:

> Corporate Social Responsibility
> Equal Labour Rights

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Universal Declaration on the Human Genome and Human Rights, UNESCO – 1997

## Bridge Two: Reproductive Rights & Gender Equality

**Family planning:** When women were able to control birth, and therefore reproduction, the familiar/social structure was profoundly changed. Nevertheless, there is still room for a global diffusion of this way of life through the promotion of:

> Reproductive Autonomy
> Contraception
> Emergency Contraception

**Assisted procreation:** For many different reasons, couple's infertility is a major public health concern worldwide. But with the increased development of new medically assisted procreation technologies, women should be empowered to effectively control birth, namely through:

> Reproductive Health
> Surrogate Motherhood
> Autonomy versus Subsidiarity

## Conclusion

The effective implementation of gender equality needs:

> Consensual ethical framework
> Specific legislation
> Steady cultural evolution
> Mobilization of the International Community

**The Universal Declaration on Gender Equality (UNESCO chair in Bioethics-Haifa)**



# World Bioethics Day 2016

## Human Dignity and Human Rights

October 19th 2016
Faculty of Medicine of the University of Porto (CIM Auditorium)

**Program:**

**> Opening Ceremony:**
- President of the National Committee of UNESCO – Ana Martinho
- Rector of the University of Porto – Sebastião Feyo de Azevedo
- Director of the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Porto – Amélia Ferreira
- President of the Medical Council (North) – Miguel Guimarães
- President of the Brazilian Federal Council of Medicine – Carlos Vital
- Vice-President of Porto City Council – Guilhermina Rego

**> Plenary Session:**
- Bioethics and Human Rights – Rui Nunes (UNESCO Chair in Bioethics)
- Human Rights and Women Rights – Isabel Moreira (Portuguese Parliament)

**> Attribution of the National Award on Bioethics**

> Poster Exhibition

Organization: Portuguese Unit of the International Network

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Haifa

## ROMANIA UNIT

The Head of Romania Unit, Prof. Sandu Frunza, announced the celebrations for the World Bioethics Day 2016 at the Faculty of Political Sciences, Administrative and Communication Sciences, No. 71, Traian Mosoiu Street, Cluj-Napoca that saw a Public Lecture on the Challenges of Bioethics Today, a book presentation on bioethical topics by RUUCIB members and a workshop on Bioethics in Romania open to RUUCIB members & network and students.

## RUSSIA - SAINT PETERSBURG UNIT
## State Pediatric Medical University

The Russian Unit of the UNESCO International Network in Bioethics Chair under the supervision of its Head, Prof. Galina Mikirtichan, MD, organized the celebrations at the Saint Petersburg State Pediatric Medical University.

The opening ceremony was by Prof. D.O. Ivanov, MD, Rector of Saint-Petersburg State Pediatric Medical University followed by the speeches of the local representatives, Prof. Igor Gradinar, PhD - Head of the Chair of Philosophy and Bioethics at the Pavlov First Saint Petersburg State Medical University and Prof. Nikolai Shabalov, MD - Head of the Chair of Children's Diseases at the S.M. Kirov Military Medical Academy. Prof. G.L. Mikirtichan, MD, Head of the Unit, talked about “Twenty years' Experience of Teaching Bioethics at Saint-Petersburg State Pediatric Medical University and Collaboration of the Chair of Humanities and Bioethics with UNESCO”.

The award for active members was given to T. M. Kaurova, MD; M.V. Muratova, MD; O.K. Ochkur, PhD, Lecturers at the Chair of Humanities and Bioethics (Saint Petersburg State Pediatric Medical University) for the development of lecture and seminar courses, lectures and seminars for undergraduate and post-graduate students, dissertations and publications on bioethics. The eminent O.I. Kubar, MD; PhD, Ex-Vice Chair IBC UNESCO; EFGCP Board Member responsible for education; chief researcher at the Saint-Petersburg Pasteur Scientific Research Institute of Epidemiology and Microbiology will hold the guest lecture about “Bioethics and Human Rights”.

The speeches were followed by some presentations on the theme: "Human Rights and New Reproductive Technologies"; "Moral Problems in Transplantation"; "Moral Problems and Cell Technologies", "Children' Rights in Medicine" for a target audience made by lecturers and teachers in bioethics from Saint-Petersburg State Pediatric Medical University and Pavlov First Saint Petersburg State Medical University, junior staff PG and UG students, nursing staff et al.

The ceremony was enriched by the Poster Exhibition at the Lecture Room 8 (Clinical Perinatal Center at Saint-Petersburg State Pediatric Medical University) for a Target audience of students, teachers, lecturers.

## RUSSIA - VOLGOGRAD UNIT

The Russian (Volgograd) Unit of the UNESCO International Network in Bioethics at the Volgograd State Medical University under the supervision of its Head, Professor Donika Alena, celebrated the First World Bioethics Day 2016 with the opening speech by Petrov V.I., Full Member of the Academy of Medical Sciences, Volgograd State Medical University.

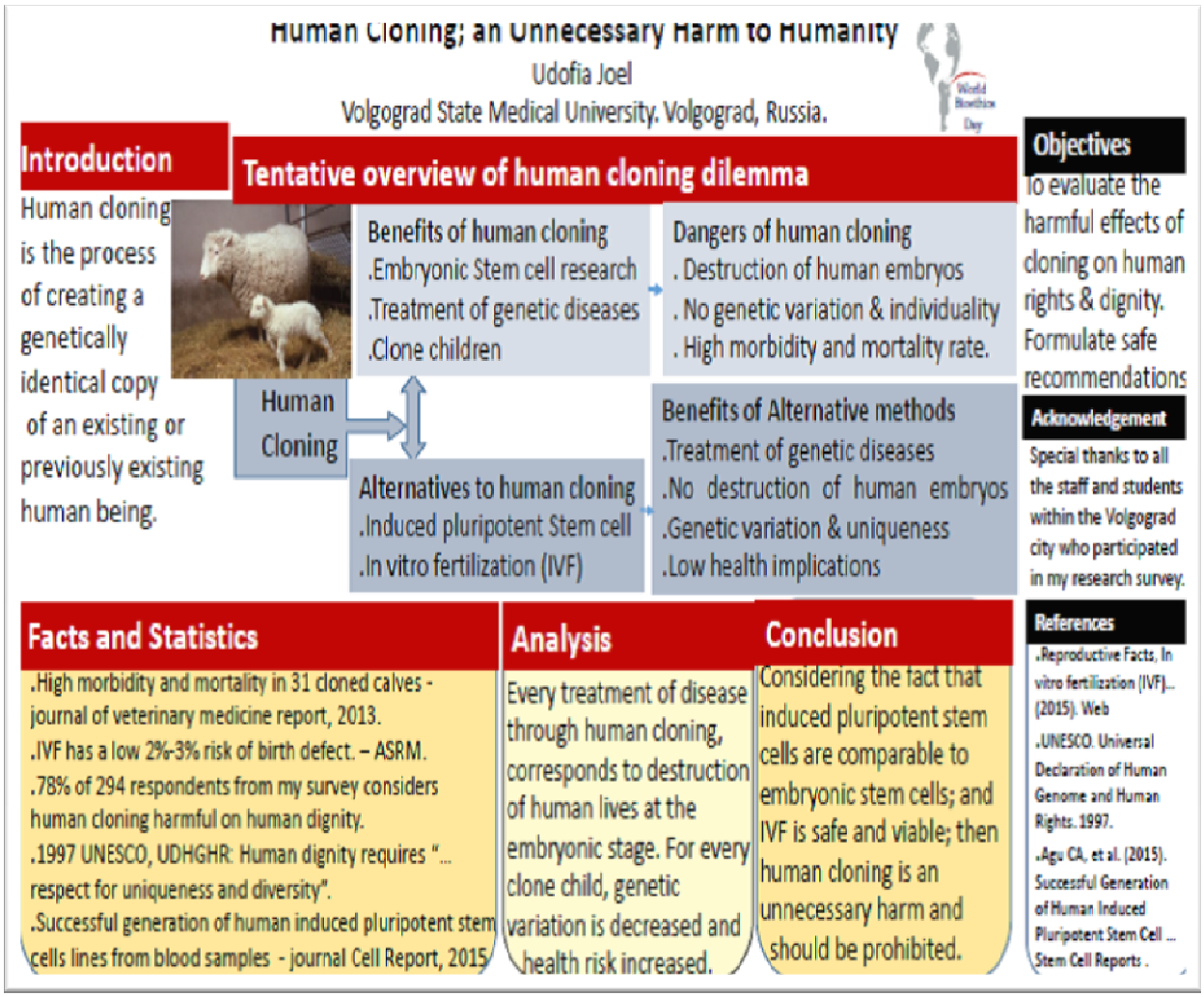
Then there were the speeches by Statsenko. M.E., Professor, Vice Rector for Research, Volgograd State Medical University and Sedova N.N., Professor, Head of department of philosophy, bio-ethics and law, Member of Volgograd Unit of the UNESCO International Network in Bioethics.






The award for the active member was given to Sedova Natalia, Professor, Head of department of philosophy, bioethics and law and to Petrov Kiril, PhD, assistant professor of the department of philosophy, bioethics and law. The guest lecture was held by Kubar O.I., Doctor of medical sciences, Head of the Pasteur clinical branch, Vice-chairman of the International Bioethics Committee at the Commission of the Russian Federation for TINESC.
Then a panel discussion followed, whose participant were Professor Sedova Natalia, Professor Donika Alena and Guba Tatiana, PhD (sociology), Associate professor of Foreign Languages Department with a Course of Latin, VolgGMu, Member of the Russian (Volgograd) Unit of the UNESCO International Network in Bioethics.

The poster exhibition was organized throughout the day in the hall on 3d floors of the Volgograd State Medical University building for the target audience which was composed by the members of students wing of the Unit.




There was also an award for the winners of the best essay writing competition (the competition was held from 30th March to 30th August 2016) and finally there was the presentation of the special issue of the journal "Bioethics" (n.1, 2016) in English by Prof. Donika Alena.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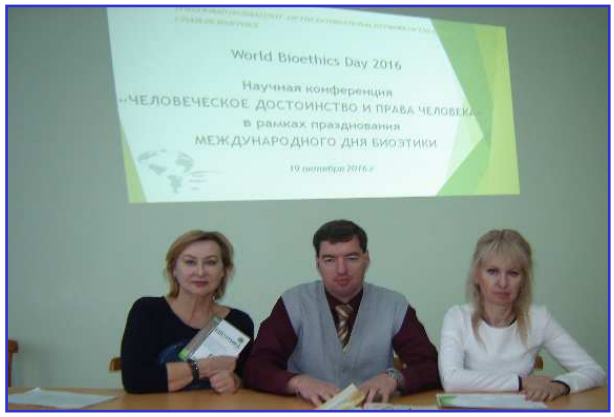
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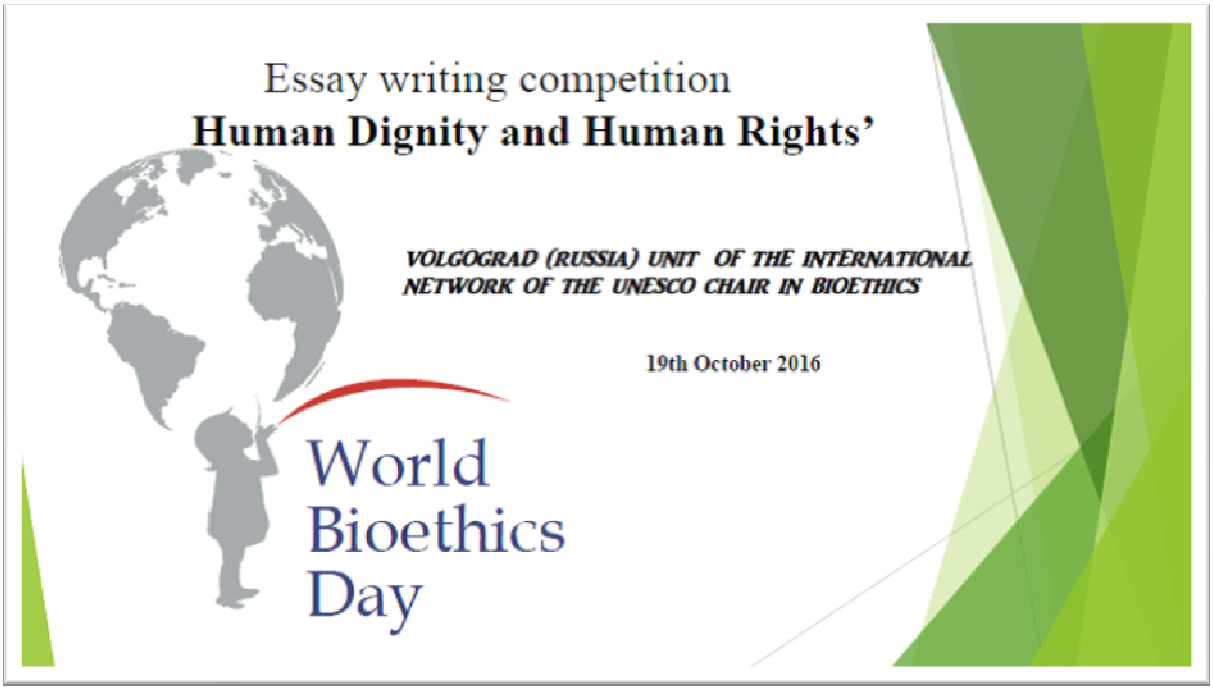
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## SERBIA UNIT

The Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics will open the celebrations with the speech by Professor Vojin Rakić, PhD, Head of Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and the European Division of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics. The program was as follows:



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**Unit:** ***Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics***

**Unit Head:** ***Professor Vojin Rakić, PhD***

**Organizers:** ***Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and Center for the Study of Bioethics***

**Program**

**Welcoming address and opening speeches**

**10-10.50**

- Professor Vojin Rakić, PhD, Head of Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and European Division of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Director of Center for the Study of Bioethics
- Mr Siniša Mali, Mayor of Belgrade
- Academician Professor Vladimir Bumbaširević, PhD, Rector of Belgrade University
- Professor Amira Fazlagić, PhD, MD,General Secretary of the Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics

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- Member of the Council of the European Division of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics -TBC

**Award for active member**

**10.50-11.00**

- Presentation of the winning author of the Essay Writing Competition

**Guest lecture by eminent personality in Bioethics**

**11.00 – 11.45**

- Academician Professor Vladimir Kostić, PhD, MD, President of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts

**Coffee break: 11.45- 12.30**

**Panel Discussions**

**12.30- 14.00**

**Panel I - Human rights and European values**

- Jadranka Joksimović, Minister for European Integrations of the Government of Serbia

**Panel II Human rights and patients' rights – what could we do for patients with rare diseases**

- Professor Dušanka Krajnović, PhD, Pharm.D, Deputy Head of the Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, Belgrade University - Faculty of Pharmacy

**Closing ceremony**

The report by the Serbian Unit:

# UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)

## World Bioethics Day celebration in Serbia, April-October 2016

We take great pleasure in sharing the information about the organization of the celebration of the World Bioethics Day in Serbia. The celebrations took place for several months during 2016. The overarching theme of this year's celebration was "Human rights and human dignity". The central celebration on October 19th in Belgrade was preceded by numerous activities organized by the **Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics** in cooperation with the Center for the Study of Bioethics (CSB).

A ceremonial Academy and Conference that marked the World Bioethics was held in the Rectorate of Belgrade University. The conference was opened by Professor Vojin Rakić, Director of the Center for the Study of Bioethics, Head of the Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and European Division of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics.

This celebration, in addition to members and staff of the organizing institutions, was attended and/or greeted by the highest representatives of the University of Belgrade, The Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts, the Government of Serbia and the City Council of Belgrade. The media coverage was extremely extensive: dozens of reports in the most important Serbian media, as well as several TV shows have reported about the World Bioethics Day. Some of them include:



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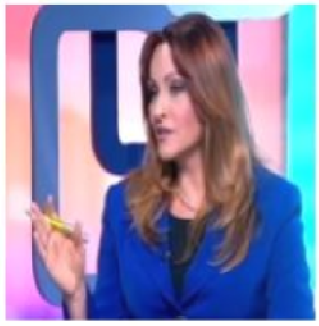

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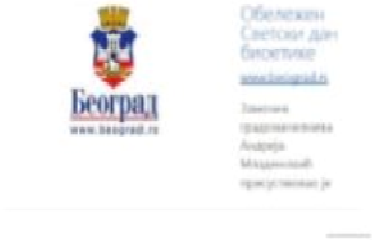
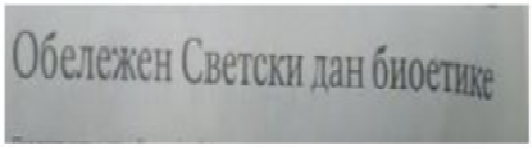



Program of Belgrade City Council



CSB Web Portal "Era of Life"




Daily "Politika"

Professor Amira Fazlagić, General Secretary of the Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics, held a speech on the role of bioethics in contemporary society and the importance of the success of the Center for the Study of Bioethics in the previous three years. Deputy Mayor of the city of Belgrade, Andreja Mladenović, said that behind the success of the Centre for the Study of Bioethics stands hard work and dedication, as well as excellent cooperation with other

important institutions in the country. He pointed out that "The Centre for the Study of Bioethics is responsible for such results that today Serbia could be considered as one of the world leaders in this field of science." After the ceremonial speeches and introductory parts the lecture was given by the prominent bioethicist, academician Dragoslav Marinkovic, who spoke on achievements in the field in bioethics education and research in Serbia. The afternoon session of the Academy/Conference was organized through panel discussion. Deputy Director of the Serbian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and the Center for the Study of Bioethics, Professor Dušanka Krajnović, moderated two panels on the following themes: "Human rights and the rights of patients - What can we do for patients with rare diseases" and "Human rights and European values". She gave the introductory speech focusing on problems faced by those suffering from rare diseases in Serbia, stressing particularly important issues such as poor diagnostics, lack of a Registry for patients with rare diseases and availability of treatment.

During the WBD celebrations The Centre for the Study of Bioethics also encouraged young people to get involved in all the aforementioned events, and to take an interest in science in general. A large number of volunteer and student activities that preceded the celebration contributed to the celebration of the World Bioethics Day.

Competitions in debating, essay writing and photography were also organized. In the Rectorate of Belgrade University prizes were awarded on 19 October for the best amateur photography of bioethics topics to university student Manja Karanović and for the best participant in the debate on the theme "Human rights and human dignity," Velimir Aćimović.




Debate on the topic "Human rights and human dignity"



Debate on the topic "Human rights and human dignity"

World Bioethics Day
19th October 2016

University of Ljubljana
Faculty of Social Sciences

**WORLD BIOETHICS DAY 2016: HUMAN DIGNITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS**

19. October 2016, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia

**Introductory Speeches**

9: 00 Opening Speech: Prof. Toni Pustovrh

9:10 University Representative, Faculty Representative, etc.

**Introductory presentation**

9:45 Prof. Toni Pustovrh: *What is Bioethics and What Does It Encompass?*

**Thematic presentations**

10:00 Prof. Andrej A. Lukšič: *The Ethical Dimensions of Political Conflicts When Shaping Environmental Legal Norms*

10:15 Dejan Savić: *Environmental Pollution as an Intergenerational Injustice*

10: 30 Prof. Franc Mali: *The Societal Challenges of Bioethics in an Era of New Genetics*

10:45 Dr. Jana Šimenc: *The Landscape of Big Data and Medicine*

**Break** 11:00 - 11:20

**Keynote presentation**

11:20 Prof. Valentina Hribar Sorčan: *Human Dignity and the Rights of the Patient at the Time of Dying*

**Panel discussion on the keynote theme**

11:50

**Results of Student Essay Competition**

12:30

Organized by the Slovenian Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa) and the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Social Sciences

Rapid technological development, accelerating changes in society and its subsystems, increasing global interconnectedness and interdependence, and other societal challenges such as the aging population, climate change and limited resources, put contemporary society before numerous dilemmas.

This is one of the reasons diverse bioethical issues are becoming an increasingly important field of interdisciplinary study in modern societies, as well as an increasing part of wider expert and public debates.







On Wednesday, October 19th 2016, on the 11th anniversary of the adoption of the UNESCO Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights, an event in the scope of the World Bioethics Day entitled "Human Dignity and Human Rights" took place at the Faculty of Social Sciences.

The newly established Slovenian unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair and bioethics (University of Haifa), together with the Faculty of Social Sciences, organized a series of presentations and discussions on various bioethical Issues and challenges.






The event was introduced by Prof. Toni Pustovrh, with the presentation of the Slovenian unit, its members and objectives. This was followed by the opening address of the representatives of the Faculty, Prof. Maja Bučar, who emphasized how important such initiatives and events are, as the field of bioethics demands a constant questioning of issues and viewpoints. In the first part of

the event, the members of the unit presented some contemporary research fields and topics in the broad field of bioethics.

In the presentation "What is bioethics and what does it encompass?" Toni Pustovrh presented some views and definitions of the field of bioethics as a broad interdisciplinary field of study that addresses diverse challenges, ranging from the issues in medical and health ethics, across the ethics of technology, to animal ethics, environmental ethics and global challenges. DejanSavić presented "Environmental pollution as an intergenerational injustice", where he touched upon issues of fairness and duty towards future generations in relation to environmental protection.

Prof. Franc Mali used his paper entitled "The societal challenges in an era of new genetics" to emphasize a sociological perspective on some of the opportunities and risks posed by developments in biotechnology, synthetic biology and the life sciences as they pertain to bioethics.

Dr. Jana Šimenc from the Research Centre of the Slovenian Academy of Arts and Sciences presented a critical anthropological view on the acquisition of big data in the context of digital medicine and health. In her contribution entitled "The landscape big data and medicine", she focused mainly on the socially critical aspect of the spread of applications for the promotion of health and a healthy lifestyle.





In the second part of the event, Prof. Valentina Hribar Sorčan presented her contribution entitled "Human Dignity and the Rights of the patient at the time of dying", which touched upon various aspects of euthanasia, dignity, autonomy and rights of the dying patient from a philosophical perspective.
After the talk, Tina Aber Drovenik briefly presented the results of a survey she conducted on the topic of euthanasia among the residents of Gornja Radgona and the employees in a retirement home.
The contribution was followed by a panel discussion on the central theme of the event, namely on the aspects of palliative care, rights, dying and euthanasia, both in Slovenia and abroad, which was attended by Prof. Frederik Klampfer from the Faculty of Arts at the University of Maribor, Mateja Lopuh, MSc., MD, from the Jesenice General Hospital, and Prof. Igor Pribac from the Faculty of Arts at the University of Ljubljana.






The event for the World Bioethics Day has successfully brought together experts from diverse disciplinary areas, which have presented and jointly discussed some of the current issues in the broad interdisciplinary field of bioethics.

Simultaneously, the event presents the first joint project of the members of the Slovenian unit of the International UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (University of Haifa), which was celebrated on that date by approx. 150 units worldwide. The Slovenian Unit is still open to new members who are interested in engagement and research in the diverse problem fields of bioethics. For more information, please contact the head of the Unit, Toni Pustovrh.

## SOUTH AFRICA UNIT

Under the supervision of its Head, Professor Ames Dhai, the South Africa Unit has organized an interactive board two weeks before the World Bioethics Day (so starting from 5th October) that has advertised Bioethics day and allows for students to engage the theme through sharing their thoughts on the board.

After this, the 19th October has been organized the WSBS Campus Invasion! which has seen a table that will be set up outside the Adler Museum during lunch time with two students in charge of the table.

This was aimed at raising awareness on UNESCO, the actual day and the theme. The WSBS members have also gone around campus during lunch time informing students about the day, handing out fact-flyers on Bioethics.

## SPAIN UNIT

*Faculty of Law - University of Murcia*



The celebrations held at the Spanish Unit, Faculty of Law-University of Murcia by its Head Julián Valero-Torrijos and Magnolia Pardo-López have been held at the Facultad de Derecho, Salón de Grados. UMU with the opening speech by Julián Valero Torrijos, Prof. of Administrative Law (UMU), Head of the Spanish Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and by David Morillas, Dean of the Faculty of Law.

A guest lecture has followed by José Salcedo who has talked about Bioethics and the Courts, then there has been a panel discussion on Crowdfunding and Medical Research by Prof. Fernando de la Vega, Prof. Mercedes Sánchez Ruiz, Prof. María José Verdú Cañete.

The poster exhibition has taken place from October 17th to October 21st 2016 at Cloister of the Faculty of Law (UMU) for the target audience of Students, Faculty members, Staff, General public considering the location and peculiarities of the Cloister.

The essay Writing Competition has opened on September 26th 2016 and the award of the winners was on October 19th 2016.

On October 18th 2016 there were also organized two Sessions Seminar on Ethical and Legal Issues of Medicines at the Faculty of Law, University of Murcia (Spain).

## SWEDEN UNIT

The Sweden's Unit of the International Network of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics at Karolinska Institute, under the supervision of its Head, Prof. NiklasJuth, has opened the celebrations with the speech by Prof. Niklas Juth and professor Gert Helgesson. The prize for the active member has been given to Professor Christian Munthe, for advancing bioethics in research ethics, particularly by bringing public attention to the subject and its importance in the aftermath of a research scandal (The Macchiarini-case).

The guest lecture by an eminent personality in Bioethics was by Professor Erik Malmqvist, and the panel discussion have seen the participation of several bioethics experts like Professor Kristin Zeiler, Ph.D. Student Erik Gustavsson; Ph.D. Lisa Furberg; Ph.D. Karl Persson; Ph.D. Jennie Ahlgren; Ph.D. Anna-Sara Lind and Daniela Cutas, senior lecturer.

There was also a debate competition and a poster exhibition that has taken place for one week at Karolinska Institute, LIME department for a target audience composed by students and coworkers at Karolinska Institute, the biggest medical University in Sweden.

Program for the celebration of world bioethics day
Karolinska institutet, Stockholm, Sweden
Department of LIME, Tomtebodavägen 18A, Library, third floor

10.15–10.20 Welcome! (Niklas Juth, Gert Helgesson)
10.20–11.20 National standard for knowledge in medical ethics in professional training (Niklas Juth)
11.20–12.00 Methods in medical ethics (Ulrik Kihlbom)
12.00–13.00 Lunch
13.00–13.45 How should medical ethicists work with ethics cconsultations (Mats Johansson)
13.45–15.40 The relationship between empirical and normative ethics (Niklas Juth)
15.40–16.00 Planning ahead



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## TAIWAN UNIT

The program for the Taiwan Unit, under the supervision of Prof. Daniel Fu-Chang Tsai has seen an introduction of the meaning and values of the World Bioethics Day and of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics.

Then there was a discussion on the new Taiwanese law on “Patient Self-determination Act” and amendment on “human organ Transplantation act”, as recent important bioethics and biolaw progresses in Taiwan that are worth discussing.

## UGANDA UNIT

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa decided to celebrate world bioethics day on the 19/10/2016 across the globe, under the theme; Human Dignity and Human Rights (Article 3 of the Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights. The concept of human dignity and human rights is a phenomenon of contemporary life, of universal dimension and immense significance. Both notions are based on a firm belief: that the quest for social justice, liberty, equality is inherent among individuals and groups.

| ***Time*** | Activity | ***Lead person*** |
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| 2:00pm-2:30pm | Arrival of guests | Happy Walusaga |
| 2:30pm-2:40pm | Welcome Remarks | Prof. Charles Ibingira |
| 2:30pm-3:30pm | Guest speaker on Human Dignity and Human Rights | Dr. Livingstone Sewanyana, |
| 3:30pm-5: 00pm | Discussions | Dr. Isaac Okullo |
| 5:00pm-5:30 | Exhibition | AineProvia |
| | closure | Prof. Charles Ibingira |

Besides the right to life, the second basic right – is the right to human dignity. Human dignity is the source of our right to recognition everywhere as a person, to honour and reputation, to freedom of thought, conscience, religion, opinion and expression, to peaceful assembly, equal treatment before the law, to privacy and to protection from all manner of ill treatments.

Guest speaker: Dr. Livingstone Sewanyana, Executive Director, Foundation for Human Rights Initiative (FHRI) with over 30 years of human rights activism in Uganda, Dr. Sewanyana has spearheaded various human rights campaigns in Uganda and beyond.

His name is synonymous with the campaign for the abolition of the death penalty in Uganda; prisons reform; electoral democracy; access to justice for poor and vulnerable persons; police reform; judicial independence and integrity; juvenile justice; women's rights; the right to bail; media freedoms; freedom of expression, association and assembly, civil society space; freedom from torture and the right to education among others. He has made a considerable impact on the improvement of human rights in Uganda.

Participants: This function attracted various peoples from all walks of life including the Makerere University Staff, Ministry of health staff, Professional Councils, students from the medical school, paramedics, Nurses and college staffs.




Speeches: Two important speeches from the host institution are Principal who is also the chair-UNESCO coordination office; Makerere University College of health Sciences and the guest speaker from Foundation for Human Rights Initiative (FHRI); Dr. Livingstone Sewanyana.

Prof. Charles Ibingira who doubles as the college Principal and the UNESCO chair coordination office- Makerere University College of health Sciences in his speech; gave participants a background of UNESCO, WBE day and the theme for the day (Human Dignity and Human Rights) and encouraged everyone to participate in the discussion.




Issues of discussion: It is important to note that there is a direct link between effective health Service delivery, human rights and human dignity. Realizing this requires collective action of health workers, policy makers and the community.

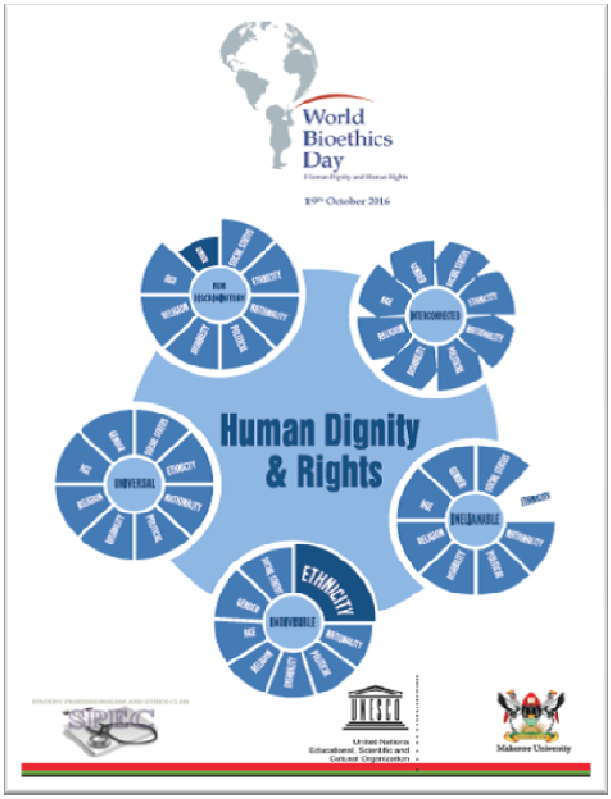
The guest speaker emphasised the following issues; Rights to health – at three levels- Primary health care, secondary health care and tertiary health care including;
- Availability: Functioning public health and health care facilities- trained medical and professional personnel receiving domestically competitive salaries;
- Accessibility: health facilities, goods and services accessible to all – including the most vulnerable or marginalized sector of the population. And this includes Physical accessibility: health facilities within easy reach of all – women, Children, adolescents, older persons, PWDs, Persons with HIV/AIDS.
- Economic accessibility: health services, goods and services affordable to all.
- Information accessibility: right to seek, receive and impart information and ideas concerning health issues. This right does not impair the right to have personal health date treated with confidentiality.
- Acceptability: Health facilities, goods and services, ethics and culturally appropriate. Quality: Health facilities and goods and services. Must be scientifically and medically appropriate and approved. Care should be taken to ensure that medical personnel are skilled, drugs are scientifically approved and not expired, Patients must be told what they are being treated for and must be re assured of confidentiality.
Funding of the Health Sector: The health sector must be funded. The Abuja Declaration requires states to commit at least 15% of their annual budget to improve the health sector.
The Patient's Rights Charter: Ministry of Health, 2009. The Patients Rights Charter is a practical

guide towards upholding the dignity of individuals. Measures need to be taken to disseminate, but also operationalized it.

Discussions: The discussion was opened to the house; some experts in Bioethics lead by Dr. Nakwagala Fred- Physician in Mulago National Referral Hospital led the discussions. The following were highlighted; Need for more health Research to inform Policy Advocacy for increased health financing in the country to ensure quality of health care.

Improvement of health worker working condition which will translate into better service delivery; Increased mentorship and role modelling by the senior healthcare experts. Integration of health care professionalism in the medical school teaching curriculum; Documentation of health incidents; Challenges in the health sector that infringe on the rights and dignity of people and how to manage the challenges

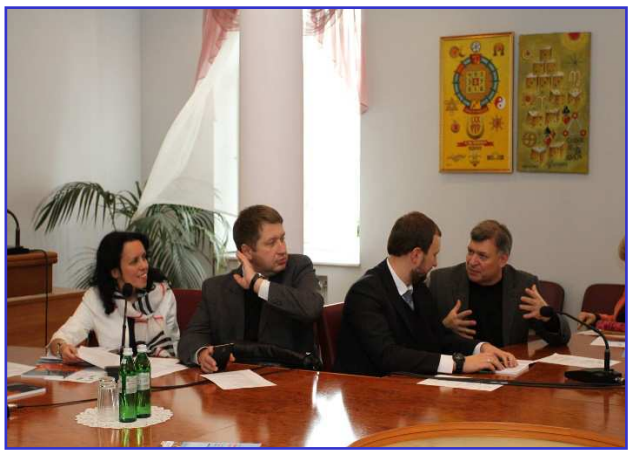
Poster Exhibitions: The students of Ethics Professionalism Club made a poster exhibition on human Dignity and Human rights, which was sent to the UNESCO Chair in Haifa. The students also exhibited what their club does including white coat ceremony which is the initiation of medical students into the profession including taking an oath to conduct themselves professionally as they care for patients.




Conclusion: The link between effective health Service delivery, Human Rights and Human Dignity was made very clear and appreciated and the participants charged with a duty of professionalism in service delivery while the human rights groups advocate for better health worker conditions.

## UKRAINE UNIT

Under the guidance of its Unit Head Ass. Prof. Dr. Radmyla Hrevtsova, the first World Bioethics Day has seen a very good guest lecture delivered by Prof. Yuri Hubsky, MD. Ph.D, affiliated with the National Academy of Post-Graduate Medical Education.






It was followed by a very live and productive panel discussion and the presentation of the collective monograph "A Human Person: Medicine, Pharmaceuticals, Bioethics" to which the Ukrainian Unit largely contributed. Also it was created the Student's Wing of the Ukrainian Unit.



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## 19th October 2016

**10.00–10.30** ВІДКРИТТЯ ЗАХОДУ

**Т. В. ВАРФОЛОМЕЄВА**, *доктор юридичних наук*
*член-кореспондент Національної академії правових наук України,*
*ректор Академії адвокатури України*

**Р. Ю. ГРЕВЦОВА**, *кандидат юридичних наук, доцент*
*керівник Українського відділення Кафедри ЮНЕСКО з біоетики,*
*директор НДІ медичного і фармацевтичного права та біоетики*
*Академії адвокатури України*

**10.30–11.15** **Гостьова лекція**

**Ю. І. ГУБСЬКИЙ**, *доктор медичних наук, професор*
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**11.15–11.30** **Перерва на каву**

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| 13.00–13.30 | **Перерва на каву** |
| 13.30–14.15 | **Експертне обговорення:**<br>ЕТИЧНІ ТА ПРАВОВІ ПРОБЛЕМИ,<br>ПОВ'ЯЗАНІ З ПОЧАТКОМ ЖИТТЯ ЛЮДИНИ |
| 14.15–14.40 | **Презентація монографії**<br>«ЛЮДИНА: МЕДИЦИНА, ФАРМАЦЕВТИКА, БІОЕТИКА» |
| 14.40–15.00 | **Закриття заходу** |

## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA UNIT

The United States of America Unit, as told by Prof. Gen Tanaka, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU) School of Medicine, Associate Director of the American Unit of the UNESCO Bioethics Chair and Member of the Research Department of the UNESCO Bioethics Chair-Haifa has proposed the theme "Bioethics in the midst of a trauma and helplessness".

The American Unit expanded its website with new material on this theme. In addition, the Unit has uploaded on the website an article and a presentation pertaining to the theme in hope of creating an accessible and educational portal for the public.

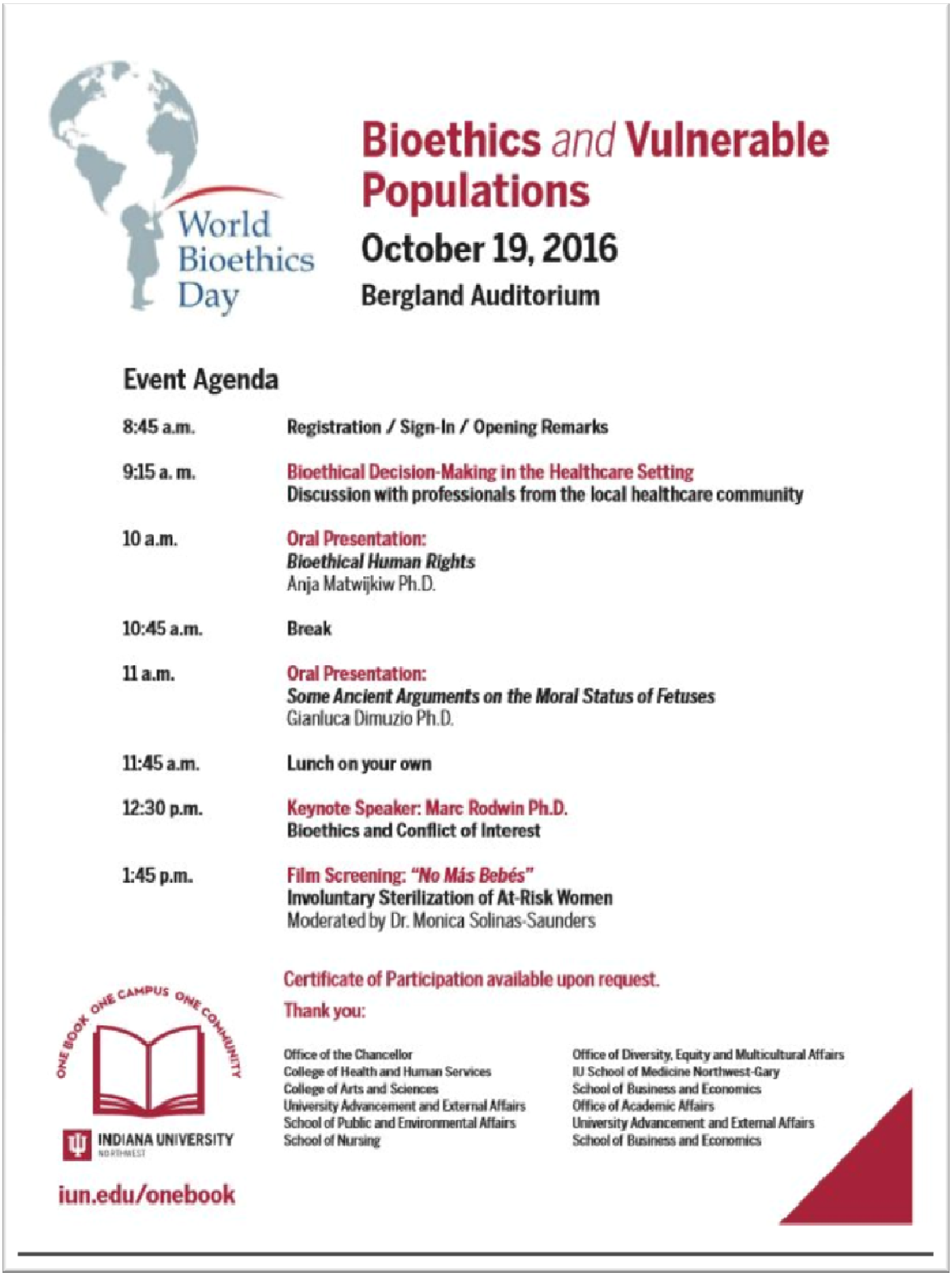






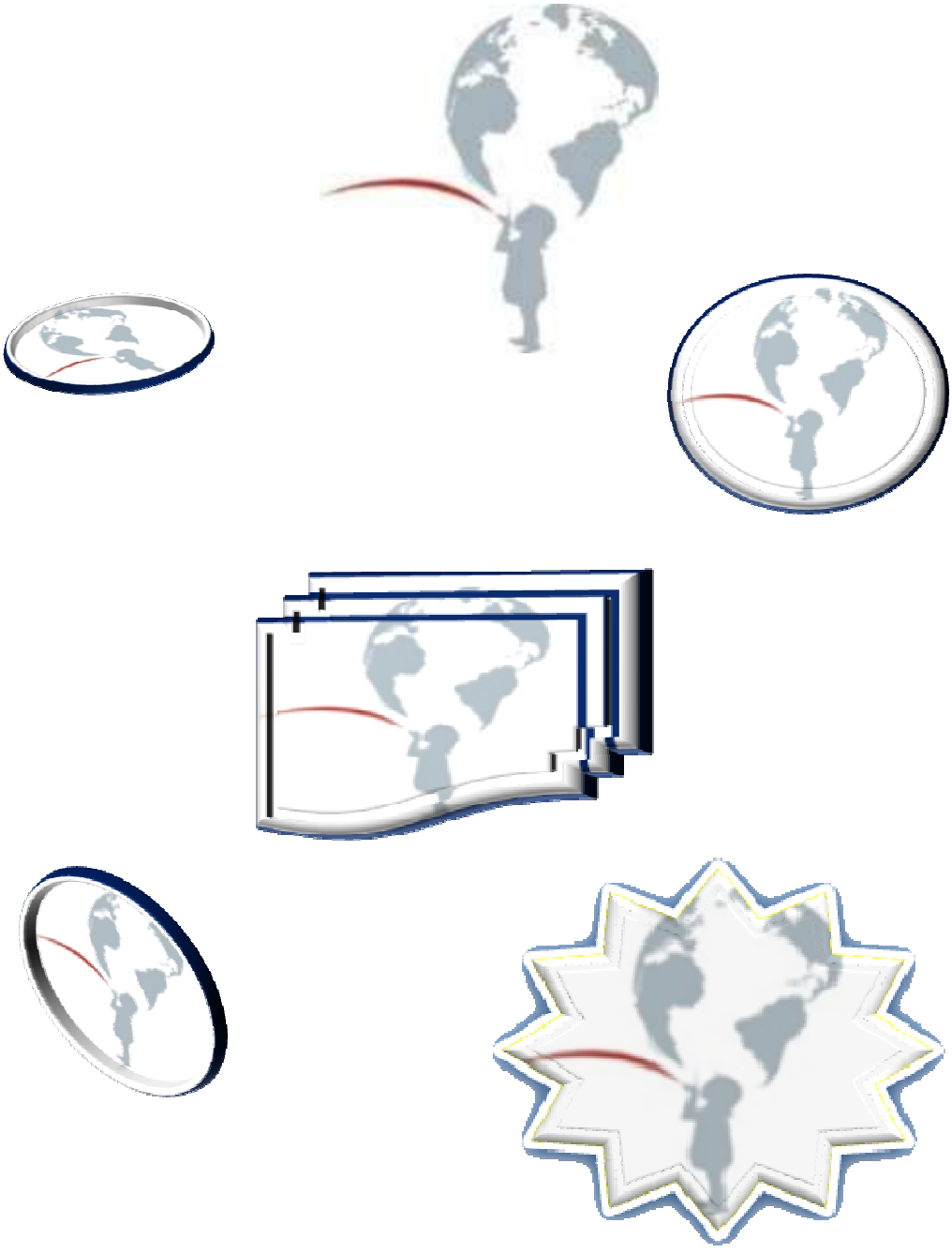
## UNITES STATES OF AMERICA INDIANA UNIT

The Indiana University Northwest, School of Public & Environmental Affairs (SPEA), under the supervision of the Head of the Unit, Susan Zinner, Professor, SPEA has celebrated the World Bio-ethics Day following this program:



## VENEZUELA UNIT

Under the supervision of its Head, Prof. Ximena Paez, the Venezuela Unit has organized a big event on November to celebrate both the Bioethics Day and the Ethics in Medicine Day, organizing seminars or conferences about Academic Integrity and Responsible Conduct in Research with the participation of pre-graduate and graduate students of optional subject of Bioethics in Sciences School and another of Medical Ethics in Medical School.



# Message of Chair's Holder

## The World Bioethics Day 2016
## Of
## The UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Haifa

The global celebrations of the World Bioethics Day (WBD) are over, and the Chair starts to prepare itself for the next celebrations in 2017.
I would like to use this opportunity in order to offer a wreath of thank.
Thank you.
Thanks to the Italian Unit, the editors of our charming Newsletter, that perpetuate the event in an impressive special issue. Special thanks to Dr. Isotta Burlin, Dr. Alessandra Pentone, Dr. Giacomo Sado, Dr. Claudio Todesco and Dr. Miroslava Vasinova for their diligent work.
Thanks to the members of the WBD International Committee, and to its Head, Prof. P. Arora.
Thanks to the regional coordinators, Dr. Deshpande, Dr. Garcia Martinez, Dr. Palatty and Dr. Fortwengel.
Thanks to the members of the competitions committee, and to all those Heads of Units that undertook the mission and held the celebrations in their countries.
Thank you.
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In the main part of my review, I would like to deliver to you an "historical" review about the creation of the WBD.
The General Assembly of the Heads of units, that held its meeting in Naples (18-19 October 2015), accepted my suggestion and decided to hold a World Bioethics Day on the 19 October of every year, from 2016 on.
On the 27.10.15 I sent a call to all the Heads of Units, asking them to offer their suggestions, ideas and proposals for the nature, contents and structure of this event. The following suggestions were sent by not less than seventeen colleagues from the following countries:
Dr. Maria Salome Vios, Philippines
Baroness Finlay, UK
Dr. Princy Louis Palaty, India
Dr. EvangelosProtopapadakis, Greece
Prof. Gerhard Fortwengel, Germany
Dr. MiroslavaVasinova, Italy
Dr. StafaAltin, Albania
Dr. Gina Lorena Garcia Martinez, Colombia
Prof. Daniel Fu Chang Tsai, Taiwan
Prof. Santosh Salagre, Mumbai, India
Dr. S.D. Dalvi, India
Dr. Barna Gujarat, India
Prof. Donika Alena, Russia

Dr. Helena Siipi, Finland
Prof. Henry Coudane, France
Prof. Sashka Popova, Bulgaria
Prof. Rupa Singh, Nepal

Comment: In order to save time and place, I will use the above mentioned numbers of the colleagues instead of indicating their
full names each time.

List of suggestions
Comment: In the following paragraphs I will indicate (1)The title of the relevant question, (2)the general or average answer, and(3) the numbers of the colleagues that supported this answer.
Collaboration with the world Medical Association (WMA): Yes. Recommended by the colleagues number 2.4.5.6.7.10.11.12
Collaboration with the International Federation of Medical Students Associations: Yes
1.4.5.6.7. 10.11.12.
Local medical associations?
6.7.10.11.12. 13.
Others? Who?
6. Professional Orders of nurses, psychologists, speech therapists, physiotherapists, social workers, veterinarians, teachers, educators
12. Medical schools. Hospitals.
13. Regional Ethics Committees.
Global or local events:
Holding ONE global event?
17.No.1.5.6.7.8.12.
15. Meeting all units, each team will present a theme or aims of its unit.
Holding parallel regional events?
3.6.7.8.9.12.17.
Holding local events in each of the units?
3.4.5.6.7.8.10.11.12. 13.15.17.
Holding local events on COMMON ethical principle
1.5.6. 10.11.17.
12. It should be one common topic starting from globally until local unit level.
What principle?
2. Principle of Justice (as a human right there is a need for justice for all and equality of respect for the live of each person).
3. Ethics in assisted reproduction technology.
5. Bioethics and morality.
Holding local events by local choice of ethical principles
2.4.8.
12. Ethical principles. It will help better understanding and application of the principles in day to day practice in different ways and means, and can reach more health professionals in better way.
13. Each Unit should review certain ethical principle that will present the features of its country.

Events
What kind of events?
Conferences?
6.
4 (national conference).
Workshops?
6. 13.17.
Awards Ceremony for ethical activities or contributions?
6.14: Each unit to give award to a person who has advanced bioethics thinking and bioethics approaches in the country of the unit.
Lectures in medical schools or hospitals?
6.11.17.
Other events
1: Forum, lectures, interscholastic debates, radio/TV exposure, walk for ethics
2: radio broadcast. Letter writings.
3.Guest lecture, street plays, panel discussion on TV.
Symposium,
5. Information desks on the campus (offering quizzes for students, related to bioethics with or without small "awards". The creation of provision of buttons.
6.Courses.
6. Discussion with films.
8. Seminar on Bioethics and animal welfare.
12. Research. Awareness programs for practicing doctors, nurses, and paramedical staffs, on various ethical principles through workshops and short term courses.
14. An opportunity to approach schools and apply the UNESCO bioethics teaching materials. And to further laymen knowledge on bioethics issues, especially among young people.
15. A day of ethics at the Nancy university.
16. Round table in collaboration with WMA, IFMSA and local organizations; workshops for students; international students conference. Research on the bioethical principles of the Universal Declaration.
Invitations of VIPs:
Should VIPs be invited?
1: up to local context
5. Only in a global event.
6.Yes, if possible
10.11. Yes
Who?
Health Ministers?
Others
Representatives of other units.
Public Relations and Promotion
1: sending letters to governments
Publications?
5. Local magazines and popular journals
Newsletter?
6. Publishing of a special edition of the Newsletter with the program of the events. Publishing

the events in all newspapers. Activating teachers and educators in schools Internet.
7.13. ad hoc website
8. Production of a magazine and video that will cover the events.
9. Involving the Chair's Website.
16. Stands with promotional materials and volunteers (students) with promotional T-shirts, in front of the university faculties. Posters on the notice boards of the University.
Promotion drives?
12.Newsletter: Special issue.
17. Journal (Global Bioethics Enquiry) special issue.
General:
8: To establish a committee, and to ask each unit to define who will be responsible for the realization of the events.

Epilogue

The International Committee tried to adopt, to follow and to realize most of the proposals that were offered by the majority of the Heads.
One year passed, and 80 Units initiated and held the WBD celebrations that included lectures, seminars, videos, films, and various kinds of competitions.
The International Committee that starts to prepare the WBD Celebrations for 2017 will study the outcome of the first event, and will try to form even better program for the next one.

*Prof. Amnon Carmi*
*Head and Chair-holder of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics Haifa*

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## NEWSLETTER'S CONTRIBUTIONS REQUIREMENTS

The contributions for the next Bioethical Voices newsletter must be forwarded to the Editorial Board before 15 January 2016. They should to be written in good English and in Word Format, with some photos (where possible) and their contents should be of international interests. Each author is personally responsible for the contents and the language of his/her own contribution. Contributions must be signed.

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## AIM OF SECTIONS

Bioethics in the world (300 words max.): description of a concept /idea and its interpretation/ application in the different geographical contexts or a news.
About legislation and judgments (300 words max.): news from Law associations, Court decisions, developments in national or international legislations
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Research: ongoing research projects: title, authors and short description.
Publications: title, authors, year of publication.
International events (no national events); title, date, place and short description.
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