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Speakers and chairs' biographies

François ANSERMET

Professor Emeritus of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the University of Geneva and at the University of Lausanne; Former Director of the Department of psychiatry, University of Geneva; Former Head of the Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, University Hospital of Geneva, after having first held the posts of full Professor of child and adolescent psychiatry at the University of Lausanne (UNIL), Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Biology and Medicine at UNIL, and Head of the University Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the Centre Hospitalier Universitaire Vaudois (CHUV).

Psychoanalyst, member of the World Association of Psychoanalysis.

From 2013- to 2021, member of the French National Ethics Committee (CCNE) in Paris.



Research activities in the field of perinatal clinical practice, in particular prenatal and perinatal trauma; consequences of new advances in biotechnologies in the area of medically assisted reproduction, pre-conception and perinatal predictive medicine; variations of sex development (intersexuality) and gender incongruence; collaboration with the Fondation Children Action, Geneva, particularly programs focusing on suicide, and teenage pregnancy; translational research with neurobiology and links between the neurosciences and psychoanalysis; as well as links between the arts, sciences and psychoanalysis, within the Agalma Foundation in Geneva (www.agalma.ch)

David ARCHARD

David Archard is Chair of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics and Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at Queen's University Belfast. He has previously taught at the Universities of Ulster, St Andrews and Lancaster. He is Honorary Vice-President of the Society for Applied Ethics and was a member of the Kingdom's Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority (2005 –2016). He is a current member of the Clinical Ethics Committee, Great Ormond Street Hospital. He has been a Visiting Professor at the Universities of Bergen, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Beijing, South Florida, and Zurich. He has published extensively in applied ethics, legal philosophy and political philosophy, especially on the topics of children, family and the state, sexual consent, nationalism, and the relation of philosophy to public policy.



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Laurent CHAMBAUD

Dr. Laurent Chambaud is the dean of EHESP French School of Public Health since april 2013. Dean Chambaud is a public health physician and former advisor to Ms. Marisol Touraine, the Minister of Social Affairs and Health. He began his career in the service of maternal and child health (MCH) in 1979. From 1980 to 1987, he practiced as a public health physician and obtained a Master of Community Health at the University of Montreal in Quebec.

Dean Chambaud was trained as a medical inspector of public health at the National School of Public Health (NPHS) in 1988, and practiced at the Departmental Directorate of Health and Social Affairs of Finistère until 1990. Following his position as a medical inspector of public health, Dean Chambaud taught at NPHS for six years.

In 1996, Dean Chambaud was appointed national expert seconded to the European Commission and the project coordinator for the establishment of the National Institute of Health Surveillance (INVS) and director of the Departmental Sanitary and Social Affairs Board of Mayenne in 1998.

From 2002 to 2006, he directed the Regional Directorate of Health and Social Affairs of Franche-Comté. After passing the General Inspectorate of Social Affairs from 2006 to 2010, Dean Laurent Chambaud was appointed director of the Public Health Regional Health Agency of Ile-de-France, and joined the cabinet of Ms. Marisol Touraine.



Raja CHATILA



Professor Emeritus of Artificial Intelligence, Robotics and IT Ethics at Sorbonne University in Paris. He is former director of the SMART Laboratory of Excellence on Human-Machine Interactions and of the Institute of Intelligent Systems and Robotics. He is co-chair of the Responsible AI Working group of the Global Partnership on AI (GPAI). He is chair of the IEEE Global Initiative on Ethics of Autonomous and Intelligent Systems and member of the French National Pilot Committee on Digital Ethics (CNPEN).

He is an IEEE Fellow and recipient of the IEEE Robotics and Automation Society Pioneer Award.

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Jean-François DELFRAISSY

Immunologist, he is a specialist in HIV and emerging viruses. He was director of the ANRS (France Recherche Nord&sud Sida-hiv Hépatites) and of the Institute of Immunology and Infectious Diseases (Aviesan-Inserm) until the end of 2016. In 2014, he was appointed interdepartmental coordinator of the response to the Ebola epidemic. He was Head of the Department of Internal Medicine at the Paris Sud University Hospital (AP-HP), and Professor at the University of Paris Sud Saclay. Prof. Delfraissy has chaired several international scientific councils on HIV/AIDS as well as a series of international congresses dedicated to infectious disease research such as the IAS World Conference in July 2017 in Paris. He has published more than 500 articles in the field of immunology, internal medicine and HIV infection. He has established close collaborations with HIV associations in France and in the South. He was named Officer of the National Order of the Legion of Honor in 2010. In 2018, as President of the CCNE, he led the États généraux de la bioéthique, which resulted in a summary report and an opinion 129 of the Committee. These documents are intended to enlighten French decision-makers in charge of revising the Bioethics Law which was adopted at the end of June 2021.

In 2019, he was appointed co-chair "of the Collaborative Group on Social Participation (WHO)". He received the INSERM Honorary Award in 2019. Since March 2020, he is the President of the Covid-19 Scientific Council. Jean-Francois Delfraissy has been president of the National Consultative Ethics Committee (CCNE) since January 2017.



Federico DE MONTALVO JAASKELAINEN

Professor of Constitutional Law and Biolaw at the Law School-ICADE, Comillas Pontifical University (the Jesuits University of Madrid). He holds currently the position of ViceRector of Institutional Relations and General Secretary of the University. He holds, also, the Chair of the Spanish Bioethics Committee of Spain, CBE, since 2018 (ViceChair from 2013-2018). He has been also member of the International Bioethics Committee, IBC, UNESCO, from 2014 to 2021. He was appointed by the Spanish Minister of Health, member of the group of expert for the Spanish Strategy for vaccination against Covid-19. During April 2021 he was the relator of the Report of CBE about the right to choose the vaccine, which was asked by the Spanish government to solve the problems derived from some adverse events during the vaccination campaign and the proposal for a mixed vaccination



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Christiane DRUML

Christiane Druml was born in Vienna and studied law at the University of Vienna.

In 2007 she has been appointed President of the Austrian Bioethics Commission by the Austrian Federal Chancellor, since April 2020 she is also a member of the Corona Task Force of the Federal Minister of Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection of the Republic of Austria.

Since 2016 she is holding the UNESCO Chair on Bioethics at the Medical University of Vienna and serves as Director of Ethics, Collections and History of Medicine.

From 2011 to 2015 she was Vice-Rector for Clinical Affairs at the Vienna Medical University Before that she has been managing director of the (Research) Ethics Committee at the Vienna Medical University (1992-2011). Christiane Druml was member of the International Bioethics Committee (IBC) of UNESCO from 2008 to 2015 and serves since 2006 as Austrian Member and currently as Vice Chair of the Board of the General Assembly of the “European and Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership - EDCTP”



Lotta ERIKSSON

Lotta Eriksson is the secretary general of the Swedish National Council on Medical Ethics, a position she has held since 2009. She has worked with policy making questions in the bioethical arena, for the council, in the Governmental offices since 2002. Previously she served as a research officer and project manager at the Council. Lotta has also served as a special advisor at the Swedish Ministry of Health and Social Affairs and a background in communication and internet-related services. She has a Bachelor of Arts in political science, philosophy and sociology from Stockholm University, with additional studies in journalism.



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Ibán GARCÍA DEL BLANCO

Ibán García del Blanco started a full-time career in politics serving from local to national administration. As a lawyer, he majored in cultural management. Before his election as a member of the European Parliament (EP) in May 2019, he was the Executive President of Acción Cultural Española (AC/E), an agency providing public support to the promotion of culture, both in Spain and overseas.

At the EP, he is the coordinator of the S&D Group in the Legal Affairs Committee, where he was appointed rapporteur for the legislative initiative report on An ethical framework for artificial intelligence, robotics and related technologies.

García del Blanco is a member of the Petitions Committee, substitute member of the Culture and Education Committee, and he contributes to the works of the Delegation with the Andean countries and the EUROLAT Parliamentary Assembly.



Within his political party, the Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE), García del Blanco has served as a member of the Federal Executive Commission in charge of Culture and Sports for the last four years. He is also a member of the Royal Board of the National Library of Spain.

Amós José GARCÍA ROJAS

Graduate in medicine and surgery. University of Seville 1983

Member of the Standing Committee of the WHO Regional Office for Europe, representing Spain

Head of Epidemiology and Prevention Section. More than 25 years Epidemiology and Prevention Service Service awarded with the gold medal of the Government of the Canary Islands



President of the Spanish Association of Vaccinology (AEV). Since November 2013

Ex-President of UNICEF Canarias. February 2016-2020

Specialist in Preventive Medicine and Public Health

Master in Health Economics and Health Management. University of Las Palmas.

University Specialist in Vaccines. Complutense University of Madrid.

Diploma in Hospital Management (Medical Management). National School of Health.

Diploma in Health. National School of Health.

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Awarded as one of the 5 formidable doctors in the face of the 2021 pandemic, by Diario Médico and the Correo Farmacéutico

Awarded as Health Personality in 2019, for the Supplement "A tu Salud" of the newspaper La Razón

Professor Rey Calero Award, from the Royal National Academy of Medicine, for the best work on Vaccines. Year 2005.

Member of the Committee on Vaccination Programs and Records. Spain

Coordinator of the Canary Islands Vaccine Expert Group

More than 30 years of experience as a public health professional, mainly in the areas of epidemiology and vaccines.

Several articles published in international and national scientific journals, as well as several chapters in books related to public health, especially vaccines

Multiple presentations and communications at different congresses, as well as several hundred hours as a teacher of vaccines and epidemiology

Lorena JAUME-PALASÍ

Lorena Jaume-Palasi researches, consults and publishes on the tension between technology and ethics. She has founded several NGOs such as the IGF Academy or AlgorithmWatch. Among others she advises the European Parliament on Artificial Intelligence and was a former member of the High Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence of the European Commission. In 2020, she was appointed to the National Council for Artificial Intelligence by the government of her home country, Spain. 2021 she was appointed to the International Advisory Board of the European Parliament's STOA. Her current research focuses on public interest and practices of power at the intersection of technology and regulation.



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Isidoros KARATZAS

Head of the Ethics and Research Integrity Sector, DG Research & Innovation, European Commission



Isidoros Karatzas is a biochemist and psychologist by training. After joining the European Commission, he was responsible for the ex-post evaluation of the Framework Programme. Isidoros managed the risk governance research file and was the scientific secretary of the European Research Advisory Board (EURAB), a high-level body that advised the Commission on research policy and research priorities. Currently, he is the head of the Research Ethics and Integrity Sector in DG Research and Innovation. As head of the Sector, he established the Ethics Appraisal process for the research Framework Programmes, initiated advanced training courses on research ethics for Commission staff and the research community and has set up the first European system on ethics checks and follow-up. In addition, the sector oversees the research integrity policy activities, including the relations with relevant stakeholders such as ALLEA, LERU, Science Europe and the business community.

Claude KIRCHNER

Claude Kirchner is emeritus research director at Inria, the French national research institut on informatics and applied mathematics, member of the National Consultative Ethics Committee for health and life sciences, and director of the French National Pilot Committee for Digital Ethics created in December 2019.

His scientific interests and contributions focus on logic and semantic foundations for the design and implementation of robust, reliable and secure digital systems, with applications to cybersecurity. He has been the first director of the Inria Bordeaux – Sud-Ouest research centre from 2008 to 2010, Inria's CEO for science and technology from 2010 to 2014, and has been chairing Inria's operational ethics committee from 2012 to 2018.



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Dirk LANZERATH

Professor of Ethics and Research Ethics, graduated in biology, philosophy and education; PhD and *venia legendi* (habilitation) of the faculty of philosophy of the University of Bonn; Secretary General of the European Network of Research Ethics Committees (EUREC); Head of the German Reference Centre for Ethics in the Life Sciences (DRZE), Bonn (Central Research Institute of the University of Bonn and Research Centre of the North Rhine Westfalian Academy of Sciences, Humanities and the Arts); honorary professor at the Centre for Ethics and Responsibility at University of Applied Sciences Bonn Rhein-Sieg; member of the board of the Central Ethics Committee at the German Physician Association; member of the Ethics Committee of the Medical Association North Rhine; member of the Ethics Committee of the University of Maastricht; member of the Editorial Board of the Journal "Research Ethics Review"; study abroad professor for ethics/bioethics/environmental ethics/research integrity/ethics and the arts at the Study Abroad Program of the Loyola Marymount University, Los Angeles, Ca. (USA) at the Academy of International Education (AIB).



Volker LIPP

Professional Background

- Since 2015 Director of the Notary Law Institute at the Faculty of Law at the University of Göttingen
- Since 2015 Visiting Professor at the University of Bergen, Norway
- Since 2013 Founding Director and Director at the Center for Medical Law at the University of Göttingen
- 2011 Refusal of an offer by the University of Regensburg
- 2007-2010 Member of the Preparatory Committee and of the Directorate of the Lichtenberg-Kolleg as well as Associate Fellow of the Lichtenberg-Kolleg at the University of Göttingen
- Since 2010 Full University Professor for Civil Law, Civil Procedure Law, Medical Law and Comparative Law at the University of Göttingen



- 1999 Habilitation in Civil Law, Civil Procedure Law, International Private Law and Comparative Law at the University of Mannheim
- 1994 PhD at the University of Mannheim
- 1991-1999 Scientific Assistant at the Chair of Civil Law and Civil Procedure Law at the University of Mannheim
- 1991 Second State Examination
- 1988 First State Examination
- 1982-1988 Study of Law in Mannheim, Heidelberg and Göttingen

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Memberships

- 2016 Appointment to the German Ethics Council, since 2018 Vice-Chair
- Since 2015 Member of the Ethics Commission at the University of Göttingen
- Since 2014 Member of the Commission for Maintenance of the Association of the German Family Courts (Deutscher Familiengerichtstag e.V.)
- Since 2010 Member of the Central Ethics Commission at the German Medical Association
- Since 2007 Member of the Commission for Fundamental Ethical and Medico-Legal Issues of the Board of the German Medical Association
- 2007-2015 President of the German Section of the International Commission on Civil Status
- Since 2002 Member of the Board of the German Association for Betreuung (Betreuungsgerichtstag e.V.)

Distinctions

- 2016 Doctor et Professor Honoris Causa Eötvös Loránd University Budapest, Hungary
- 2013 Honorary Member of the Japan Adult Guardianship Law Association

Laurence LWOFF

Mrs Laurence LWOFF holds a MSc. in reproductive physiology from the University of Paris VI – Jussieu (France). She then obtained her degree in agronomy from the Institut National Agronomique Paris-Grignon (France) in 1986 and received her PhD in molecular biology in 1989.

She joined the Council of Europe in 1991, where she was entrusted with the responsibilities of the Secretariat of the Conventions concerning the use of animals in agriculture and science, in the Directorate of Legal Affairs. In 1999, her responsibilities were extended to biotechnology. She was the Secretary of the International Conference of the Council of Europe on Ethical Issues Arising from the Applications of Biotechnology (Oviedo, Spain, May 1999). In 2002, she joined the Bioethics Department where she has been responsible in particular for the activities on human genetics and on the protection of the human embryo and the foetus. Since 2012 she is the Secretary of the intergovernmental committee in charge of the protection of human rights in biomedicine, i.e. the Steering Committee for Human Rights in the fields of Biomedicine and Health (CDBIO). She is the Head of the new Human Rights and Biomedicine Division (DGI - Human Rights Directorate).



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Jocelyn MACLURE

Jocelyn Maclure is Professor of Philosophy at McGill University, where he holds the Jarislowsky Chair in Human Nature and Technology. He is also the president of the Ethics in Science and Technology Commission, a permanent consultative body of the government of Quebec. Some of his recent academic publications appeared in journals such as *The Journal of Medical Ethics*, *The Canadian Journal of Bioethics*, *AI & Society* and *Minds and Machines*. He was a member of the Canadian delegation at the UNESCO Intergovernmental Meeting of Experts related to the Recommendation on the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence in 2021. From 2019 to 2021, he cochaired the expert group on medical assistance in dying and neurocognitive diseases launched by the Quebec Ministry of Health and Social Services.



Barbara PRAINSACK

Barbara Prainsack is a professor and Head of Department at the Department of Political Science at the University Vienna, where she also directs the Centre for the Study of Contemporary Solidarity (CeSCoS), and the interdisciplinary Research Platform “Governance of Digital Practices”. Her work explores the social, ethical, and regulatory dimensions of genetic and data-driven practices and technologies in biomedicine and forensics. She holds honorary positions at the School of Social and Political Sciences at the University of Sydney, at the Department of Global Health & Social Medicine at King’s College London, at the Centre de recherche en éthique (CRE), University of Montreal, Canada, and at the Centre for Health, Law, and Emerging Technologies (HeLEX) at the University of Oxford. Her latest books are: *Personalized Medicine: Empowered Patients in the 21st Century?* (New York University Press, 2017), and *The Pandemic Within: Policy Making for a Better World* (with H. Wagenaar, Policy Press, 2021). Barbara is also involved in policy-related work, e.g. as a member of the Austrian National Bioethics Commission, and as Chair of the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies.



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Gabriela RAMOS

Gabriela Ramos is the Assistant Director-General for the Social and Human Sciences of UNESCO, where she oversees the institution's contributions to building inclusive societies. Her mandate includes tackling economic inequalities of income and opportunity, and promoting social inclusion and gender equality. She also oversees the youth support agenda, promotion of values through sport, fight against racism and discrimination, and ethics of science, including of neurotechnology and the internet of things. She has overseen the development and adoption of the first global instrument to promote the ethics of artificial intelligence, adopted by acclamation in 2021 by UNESCO's General Conference. She also launched the Global Forum against Racism, to catalyse the political support that member countries have given to this cause. On gender, she has advanced several initiatives, particularly to combat gender stereotypes and biases, including in new technologies.



Previously, Gabriela Ramos worked as Cabinet Director and Sherpa for G20/G7APEC at the OECD, contributing to increasing the OECD's global impact and leading key initiatives such as "Inclusive Growth", "New Approaches to Economic Challenges", "Climate Change and Growth", the gender strategy and work on well-being and children. At the G20, she contributed to the international reform of tax systems; the adoption of the gender quota (to reduce the labour gap) and the establishment of the W20; and the adoption of the principles of artificial intelligence, among others. She also oversaw Global Relations and the OECD's membership enlargement process.

In 2019, she launched the Business for Inclusive Growth (B4IG) platform, bringing together 40 multinational companies committed to reducing inequalities. Previously, she was Director of the OECD Office in Mexico and Latin America where she supported reforms in education, telecommunications, gender and health. She was a member of the Mexican Foreign Service.

In 2013 she was awarded the Order of Merit (Ordre du Mérite) by the President of France. Her work to promote gender equality has earned her several awards including from Forbes and Apolitico. She has been a Fulbright and Ford McArthur Fellow. She is an alumna of Harvard University's Masters in Public Policy and Universidad Iberoamericana's BA in International Relations. She is a board member of the "Paris Peace Forum"; the "UNICEF Advisory Board"; as well as the "Lancet Commissions on COVID and on Men's Violence against Women", and member of the Danone "Entreprise à Mission" Committee.

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Maja RUS-MAKOVEC

Psychiatrist since 1990 at University Psychiatric Clinic Ljubljana, actually head of Center of outpatient psychiatric treatment; associate professor in psychiatry at Medical faculty, University Ljubljana; systemic family therapist (graduated at Institute of Family Therapy, London, 1996), head of Training and Supervision in Family Therapy at Medical faculty Ljubljana; forensic expert since 1998; visiting professor at Charles University Prague, Czech Republic, and University of Rijeka, Croatia; national coordinator, Psychiatry Residence Program, Medical Chamber of Slovenia. My professional activity is mainly focused on social psychiatry, trauma, family psychopathology, addiction, psychosomatics, psychotherapy in psychiatry. Member of the Slovenian National Medical Ethics Committee.



Ramaz SHENGELIA

Head of the Department for the History of Medicine and Bioethics. Tbilisi State Medical University (TSMU);

Director of the Michael Shengelia Museum for the History of Georgian Medicine (since 2000)

Scientific Secretary of Georgian (Caucasian) Gene Pool Research Commission at Georgian National Academy of Science (since 2013)

In the various times he worked as: Head of Publishing House of TSMU; Dean of Medical Faculty of TSMU; Chief Editor of Georgian Medical Encyclopedia; Deputy Director of Experimental and Clinical Medicine Research Institute of TSMU.

Has published more than 300 scientific and publicist (Journalistic) works. Among them 14 monographs and fiction as well.

Since 1995 - Member of the Georgian National Council of Bioethics.

Since 2012 Vice-President of International Society for the History of Medicine (ISHM).

Professor R. Shengelia is elected as a Member of: Georgian National Academy of Sciences, European Academy of Art and Science; Washington Academy of Sciences; Georgian Academy of Medical Sciences.



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Lisa TAMBORNINO

Senior researcher and research manager for the European Network of Research Ethics Committees (EUREC); graduated in philosophy, psychology and law; PhD in philosophy at the University of Bonn; involved in many different EU projects on research ethics and research integrity, ethics of emerging technologies and ethics of participation; involved in keeping ENERI – the European Network of research ethics and research integrity and the Embassy of good science alive; prior to her current position, she worked more than ten years for the German Reference Centre for Ethics in the Life Sciences (DRZE) and the Institute for Science and Ethics (IWE).



Marjeta TERČELJ ZORMAN

Associate Prof. Marjeta Terčelj Zorman, PhD, internist and pneumologist, is currently vice president (2010-2021) of KME RS and a head of the Clinical Department of Lung Diseases and Allergy UKCL until 2020. She completed medical studies in 1978, specializing in internal medicine and in pneumology in 1984. In 1991, she defended a master's thesis and in 2001, she successfully defended the doctoral thesis entitled at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Medicine.

In 1998, she moved to the newly established Department for patients with lung disease and allergy in the University Medical Centre Ljubljana (UMCL), which it until then did not exist. After several years, with its expert clinical and research work, it became the Clinical Department for Respiratory and Allergic Diseases, UMCL.

In 1998, she was elected to the title of assistant to the subject of internal medicine and pulmonology at the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Ljubljana and she became Associate Professor in 2012. She conducted research and introduced several methods for early detection of lung cancer, she introduced many new diagnostic and therapeutic methods of interventional bronchology in Slovenia. She has researched in the field of sarcoidosis in the last 15 years. She has over 40 published original scientific articles, 2 chapters, 3 invited lectures, over 35 published abstracts. She was coordinator of postgraduate seminars in the field of difficult intubation using endoscopy with bronchoscope for residence, specialists for anesthesiologist and run the school of bronchology for doctors in intensive care.

She lectured on ethics in biomedical research in postdoctoral study for several years. She has been a delegate for DH-BIO for many years and for the NEC Forum.



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Joeri TIJDINK

Joeri Tijdink is a psychiatrist and Principal Investigator at the Ethics, Law and Humanities department of the Amsterdam UMC, location VUmc and an Assistant Professor in the Philosophy Department (Faculty of Humanities). His main research focusses on research integrity, mental health in academia, research culture, publication pressure, open science, the validity of clinical trials and assessment of research and researchers. He is currently leading a workpackage in the EU-funded SOPs4RI-project that creates policy for research performing and research funding organisations and is an advocate for improving mental health in academia with a focus on early-career researchers. He is also the author of the self-help book *Scholar on the Sofa, how to survive in academia* (2019). Apart from his work as a researcher, he is a practicing clinical psychiatrist and was recently appointed as member of the Young Academy in the Netherlands (2022). He is also cofounder and chair of *De Jonge Psychiater* (www.dejongepsychiater.nl), a not for profit organization that discusses and promotes research in psychiatry.



Stavroula TSINOREMA

Professor of Philosophy and Bioethics, Director of Joint Postgraduate Programme in Bioethics and Director of the Centre for Bioethics of the University of Crete. She is also Dean of the Arts Faculty of the same University (2021-).

She holds a First Class Honours Degree in Philosophy from the University of Athens, followed by M.A. in Moral and Social Philosophy and Ph.D. in Moral Philosophy from the University of Exeter. Her research interests are in moral and social philosophy, bioethics, epistemology, philosophy of language and philosophy of mind. Her publications focus on the epistemology of value-concepts, methodological and epistemological issues in bioethics, ethics of science and technology, Kant's moral philosophy, Wittgenstein.

She sits on the Hellenic National Commission for Bioethics and Technoethics. She is vice-chair of Research Ethics Committee (REC) of the National Centre for Social Research (EKKE) and that of the Hellenic Open University; member of the Scientific Committee of Greek Patients Association; member of the Committee on Bioethics and the Ethics of the Sciences, and the Committee on Human Rights, of Fédération Internationale des Sociétés de Philosophie. She has participated in the legislative committee which drafted the Legal Act for the establishment of Research Ethics Committees in Greek Universities and Research Centres (L.4521/2018), and was the founding Chair of REC of the University of Crete (2018-2021). She has been a member of the European Commission's "Expert Group to advise on specific ethical issues raised by driverless mobility", which issued the «Independent Expert Report on the Ethics of Connected and Automated Vehicles, 2020»



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Renata VESELSKÁ



Professor of Molecular Biology and Genetics at the Department of Experimental Biology and Professor of Bioethics at the Department of Medical Ethics, Masaryk University in Brno. Vice-chair of the Bioethics Committee of the Research and Development Council of the Czech Government. Member of the Ethics Committee of the Czech Ministry of Healthcare. Chair of the Research Ethics Committee of Masaryk University. Member of the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies (EGE).