





# 31st Meeting of the National Ethics Councils (NEC) Forum

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## Speakers and chairs

### **Acko ANKARBERG JOHANSSON**



Acko Ankarberg Johansson is since 2022 the Swedish Minister for Health Care. Before that, Acko was a member of the Swedish Parliament. She has also been Secretary-General of the Christian Democrat Party, Chair of the Board of the Swedish Transport Administration and Chair of the Jönköping Municipal Executive Board.

## **David ARCHARD**



David Archard is Chair of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics, Emeritus Professor of Philosophy at Queen's University Belfast, and Honorary Vice-President of the Society for Applied Philosophy. He has written extensively in applied ethics, political philosophy and philosophy of law.

## **Natalie BANNER**



Dr Natalie Banner is the Director of Ethics at Genomics England, an organisation owned by the UK Government to deliver genomic medicine and research into the health system.

Natalie is responsible for helping Genomics England navigate the complex ethical challenges in advancing genomic medicine and research, and ensuring that the organisation is a trustworthy steward of participants' data. Prior to this she led the 'Understanding Patient Data' initiative based at the Wellcome Trust in London, UK. Her work combined creating accessible communications, qualitative community engagement, policy and advocacy on issues of trust relating to the use of health data, especially in the development of data-driven technologies. While at Wellcome she also led the research sector UK Parliamentary advocacy on GDPR as it was being taken up into domestic law. Natalie was named in Intelligent Health AI's top 50 Innovators in 2020. Natalie has a PhD in Philosophy and previously worked on conceptual issues relating to mental capacity and decision-making at King's College London.

#### **Erik BERGLUND**



Erik Berglund, M.D., Ph.D., is an Associate Professor of Experimental Transplantation Surgery at Karolinska Institute focused mainly on transplantation tolerance, novel immunosuppression treatments in allo- and xenotransplantation, organ machine perfusion, ischemiareperfusion injury, oncology, and biomaterials. Erik is trained at Karolinska Institute and Karolinska University Hospital where he specialized in Transplantation Surgery and Translational Immunology. Erik earned his Ph.D. degree discovering novel molecular biology aspects of soft tissue sarcomas, has worked as faculty at Columbia University and the Columbia Center for Translational Immunology (CCTI) in New York, and has served as scientific committee member for the European Society of Organ Transplantation (ESOT). Erik has worked with drug development for 15 years and has provided strategic advice to several small and large biopharmaceutical companies.

## Jan DE LEPELEIRE



Jan De Lepeleire was trained and worked forty years as a general practitioner. Being interested in elderly persons and geriatric problems, he made a PhD thesis concerning the diagnosis of dementia in general practice. He became professor of general practice at the University of Leuven and later on the founding president of the physicians responsible for the medical policy in nursing homes for the Flemish part of Belgium. With the growing dependency of nursing home residents, medical problems became more complicated with very often important ethical dilemmas. Since euthanasia is legal in Belgium, he focused in his research and teaching activities on ethical problems concerning end of life, palliative care and mental health problems in primary care and nursing homes.

Actually he is the vice-president of the Belgian Advisory Committee on Bioethics.

#### **Emmanuel DIDIER**



Emmanuel Didier is a sociologist, full professor (directeur de recherche CNRS) at the Centre Maurice Halbwachs (École Normale Supérieure, Paris) and a member of the Center for the Study of Invention and Social Process (Goldsmiths University of London). He taught at the University of Chicago and at the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA) and now teaches at Ecole Normale Supérieure, Ecole Nationale de la Statistique et de l'Administration Economique (ENSAE Paris) and École Polytechnique. He is a member of the French National Advisory Committee on Ethics for health and the life sciences.

## Maria do CÉU PATRÃO NEVES



Maria do Céu Patrão Neves is a Full Professor of Ethics, President of the National Council of Ethics for the Life Sciences, Vice-Chair of the European Group of Ethics in Sciences and New Technologies, and ethics expert from the European Commission. Currently, she is also Ethics Advisor and Chair of Ethics Advisory Boards (EAC) of several European Research Projects.

## Mikael DOLSTEN



Chief Scientific Officer and President, Worldwide Research, Development and Medical of Pfizer Inc.

Mikael leads the Worldwide Research, Development and Medical (WRDM) organization at Pfizer, which is responsible for the development of all compounds through proof of concept, and provides pharmaceutical sciences, safety and medical support to the entire R&D pipeline and all marketed medicines and vaccines.

Mikael earned his Ph.D. in tumor immunology and M.D. from the University of Lund in Sweden, where he serves as a Visiting Professor. He is a member of the boards of Agilent Technologies, Research!America, and Vimian. Mikael is a member of the Board of Overseers for the Scripps Research Institute and a Foreign Member of The Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences, and co-chairs the Accelerating Medicine Partnership. He serves on the PhRMA Research & Development Leadership Forum and, until late 2022, served on the PhRMA Foundation Board of Directors. Mikael advised the Obama Administration as well as then Vice President Biden's Cancer Moonshot initiative.

Mikael is a named inventor on several patents and has published approximately 150 articles in international journals.

## Joanna DRAKE



Joanna DRAKE has been the Deputy Director-General of the European Commission's Directorate-General (DG) for Research and Innovation (DG RTD) since 2021. In this role, she provides overall assistance to the Director-General in the management of the DG, contributing to the definition, coordination and implementation of strategy and policy orientation. She is also Mission Manager for the EU Mission Cancer.

She was previously Deputy Director-General of DG Environment (2016-2021) where she chaired a cross-cutting Task Force spear-heading strategic positions for the DG on (inter-alia) the post-2020 Commission financial framework negotiations, Brexit co-ordination, the urban agenda and the future-proofing of the EU's environmental acquis. Between 2010 and 2015 she was director for SME's and Entrepreneurship in the DG for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW). During her tenure in DG GROW she also led the Commission's Task Force on The Collaborative Economy, New Business Models And SME's

By training, Joanna is a doctor of laws from the University of Malta, where she also lectured full time in the Department of European and Comparative Law. She acquired a post-graduate degree in Advanced European Legal Studies from the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium. She held various legal and management posts in the private and public sector before joining the European Commission as head of the European Commission Representation in Malta in 2005. She also had a key role in the Malta-EU accession negotiations as member of the Malta-EU Steering and Action Committee.

#### **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 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 (Josephinum). 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.

## **Lotta ERIKSSON**



Lotta Eriksson is secretary general and head of the secretariat of the Swedish National Council on Medical Ethics. She has worked for the Council for more than 20 years.

## Lydia FEITO



Ph.D. in Philosophy, Comillas University, Madrid Ph.D. in Neuroscience (Psychology), Complutense University of Madrid

Master in Bioethics, Complutense University of Madrid Master in Cognitive Neuropsychology and Behavioral Neurology, Complutense University of Madrid Full Professor at Public Health and Maternal and Child Health Department. Faculty of Medicine, Complutense University of Madrid

Member of the Spanish Bioethics Committee Member of the Spanish National Commission for Human Assisted Reproduction

Member expert in bioethics of the National Commission for the Forensic Use of DNA (Ministry of Justice. Spain) Director of the Research Group on Bioethics, Deliberation and Applied Ethics (BDEA) of the Complutense University of Madrid

President of the Fundamental and Clinical Bioethics Association (member since 1994)

Member of the Ethics Committee of CASER Residencial Director of the Bioética Complutense journal (ISSN: 2445-0812)

Member of the Ethics Committee of the Alcorcón Foundation University Hospital

Director of the Bioethics Research Seminar at Complutense University of Madrid

Bioethics advisor to the Ethics and Good Practice Group of the Spanish Fertility Society

## **Petter FROST**



Petter Frost (58) is a Norwegian biotechnologist with a PhD in molecular biology from the University of Bergen in 1999. Frost has a broad background ranging from the PhD on molecular virology to research on human molecular genetics/hereditary cancer and functional genomics on a salmon ectoparasite. For the majority of his career, he has worked with vaccine development, including 15 years as product developer and manager in the animal health division of the pharma company MSD.

Frost has a general interest in the use of modern biotechnology in society and the corresponding public communication and debates as required. He was, from 2014 to 2019, a member of the Norwegian Biotechnology Advisory Board (NBAB), a cross disciplinary board of individuals personally appointed by the Norwegian government. On request from the government, or on its own initiative, the NBAB is to assess discuss and issue statements on legislation as well as social and ethical consequences of modern biotechnology in humans, animals, plants, and microorganisms.

Currently Frost is the Director of the NBAB's secretariat, which is also responsible for communication including facilitating public debates.

## **Danielle HAMM**



Danielle has been the Director of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics since June 2021. Before this she held prominent roles across the Charity sector, including becoming the first Director of the end of life charity, Compassion in Dying, in 2012 and leading the public affairs and policy directorate at Rethink Mental Illness from 2015-2021, during which she was seconded to the Independent Review of the Mental Health Act. Danielle was the Ethics lead at the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Authority between 2018 and 2022, where she led the mitochondrial donation public dialogue. She was an Ethics Advisor to the British Medical Association between 2005-2008.

#### **Dorian 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.

## Frej KLEM THOMSEN



Frej Klem Thomsen is Chief Consultant with the Danish Data Ethics Council. He holds a Ph.D. in Philosophy, specializing in applied ethics. Before joining the Data Ethics Ethics Council, he worked as a researcher at the department of Philosophy, Roskilde University, the research department of the Danish Institute for Human Rights, and the Centre for Experimental-Philosophical studies of Discrimination at the department of Political Science, Aarhus University. His published research has focused on normative legal philosophy, neuroethics, the ethics of discrimination, surveillance and privacy ethics, and the ethics of AI for automated decision-support. He is currently working with the Danish Data Ethics Council on projects that explore the ethical issues raised by employee surveillance and AI for business intelligence, as well as the emerging issues raised by recent advances in generative AI including large language models (e.g. ChatGPT) and text-to-image generators (e.g. DALL-E).

#### **Fredrik LANNER**



Assistant Professor Fredrik Lanner, Karolinska Institutet, works to understand how the first cell types are specified in the human embryo. Fredrik Lanner undertook his PhD thesis at the Karolinska Institutet, followed by postdoctoral research at The Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto before returning to Karolinska Institutet.

His lab has utilized single cell transcriptomics and established a gene road map of the first week of human embryo development (Petropoulos et. al., Cell 2016). Through a proteomic approach the lab has undertaken a comprehensive screen identifying cell surface markers specific for the very first cells as the embryo implants (Collier et. al., Cell Stem Cell 2017). Using stem cells, the lab has identified epigenetic gene regulation that control how embryonic and placental cells become distinct from each other (Kumar et al., Nature Cell Biology 2022) and how extraembryonic lineage instruct embryo development (Yang et al Nature Communication 2021). Having an interest in how embryonic stem cells can be used to model early human development we have characterized the potency of stem cells in making the extraembryonic lineages such as the placenta (Posfai et al., Nature Cell Biology 2021) as well as the formation of complete blastocyst-like structures, termed blastoids.

## **Volker LIPP**



Prof. Dr. jur. Dr. h. c. Volker Lipp \* 1962 Professional Background

- 2019 today Visiting Professor at the Université Paris-Nanterre / France
- 2015 today Adjunct Professor (professor II) at the University of Bergen / Norway
- 2013 today Founding Director and Director of the Center for Medical Law at the Georgia Augusta University of Göttingen
- 2007 2010 Member of the Preparatory Committee and of the Directorate as well as Associate Fellow of the Lichtenberg-Kolleg at the Georgia Augusta University of Göttingen
- Since 2000 Full University Professor for Civil Law, Civil Procedure Law, Medical Law and Comparative Law at the Georgia Augusta University of Göttingen
- 1999 Habilitation for Civil Law, Civil Procedure Law, International Private Law and Comparative Law at the University of Mannheim
- 1994 Dr. jur., University of Mannheim ("summa cum laude")
- 1988 and 1991 First and Second State Exams in Law
- 1982 1988 Study of Law in Mannheim, Heidelberg, and Göttingen

Memberships & honours

• 2016 – today member, since 2018 Vice-President of the German Ethics Council

(Deutscher Ethikrat)

- 2016 President of 4th World Congress on Adult Guardianship
- 2015 today Member of the Research Ethics Committee at the University Medical Center Göttingen
- 2010 today Member of the Central Ethics Committee at the German Medical Association (Zentrale Ethikkommission bei der Bundesärztekammer)
- 2007 today Member of the Commission for Fundamental Ethical and Medico-Legal Issues of the Board of the German Medical Association (Bundesärztekammer)

Areas of research

Medical Law, Law of Persons and Family, Human Rights, Civil Procedure Comparative Law

## Christa LUNDGAARD KJØLLER



Christa Lundgaard Kjøller, LLM is Director General of the Danish National Center for Ethics. The Center supports the work of the four independent bodies The Danish Council on Ethics, The Danish Data Ethics Council, The Danish National Committee on Research Ethics and The Danish Medicinal Research Ethics Committees.

For almost 20 years Christa has been working with leadership and strategies in political organizations as The Prime Minister's Office, The Royal Danish Theatre and the Ministry of the Interior and Health.

Christa advocates for the necessity to include ethical considerations earlier in the political decision-making process.

#### **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). <u>Bioethics at the Council of Europe - Human Rights and Biomedicine (coe.int)</u>

#### **Pierre MALLIA**



Pierre Mallia is Professor of Family Medicine and Patients' Rights at the University of Malta, Medical School where he runs the Bioethics Research Programme and the Medicine and Law Programme. He teaches Bioethics in the Faculties of Medicine, Science, Health Science, Dentistry, Laws, Theology and Engineering. He Chairs the Department of Health Research Ethics Committee, and, the Bioethics Consultative Committee of the Ministry of Health. He was President of the Malta College of Family Doctors for three terms and introduced the international Specialisation of the Royal College of General Practitioners of the UK. He is a member of the Committee for Bioethics of the Council of Europe and is currently a member of the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies.

#### **Titti MATTSSON**



Titti Mattsson is Professor of Public Law at the Faculty of Law, Lund University, Sweden. Her research primarily concerns ethics, medical law and social welfare law issues https://portal.research.lu.se/en/persons/tittimattsson/publications. She has recently finished a position as Pro-Dean of research at her faculty. In addition to her role as expert for the Swedish National Council on Medical Ethics, Smer, Mattsson holds the position

Council on Medical Ethics, Smer, Mattsson holds the position of board member of The National Institute of Human Rights as well as on the board of the scientific advisory body of Swedish Agency for Health Technology Assessment and Assessment of Social Services. Former expert roles includes and board member of the Nordic Committee on Bioethics and the Swedish Agency for Health and Care Services Analysis. Mattsson is Director of the Health Law Research Centre at the Faculty of Law, Lund University

http://www.jur.lu.se/#!healthlaw. In addition, Mattsson runs ELAN, the European Law and Ageing Research Network, which includes researchers and lawyers from international human rights bodies from 15 European countries.

## Vasiliki MOLLAKI



Vasiliki Mollaki studied Genetics at Cardiff University in Wales, UK. In 2002 she received her postgraduate degree in Molecular and Genetic Medicine, and in 2006 she completed her doctorate at Sheffield University, UK.

She was occupied as a postdoctoral research fellow at the Institute of Biomedical Research of the Academy of Athens, the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens and the National Centre of Scientific Research "Demokritos" in Athens, in research projects investigating the genetic basis of human diseases (Hodgkin's lymphoma, familial hypercholesterolemia, hereditary cancer syndromes etc.). She is a Scientific Officer at the National Commission for Bioethics & Technoethics (former Hellenic National Bioethics Commission) and has also been appointed as external Ethics Expert in the European Commission, where she carries out ethics evaluations for research programs.

She is an Adjunct Professor in the International Hellenic University and the University of West Attica in Greece. She is a member of the Research Ethics Committee (REC) of the University of Patras and the University of West Attica. She is a member of the National Committee for the Protection of Animals Used for Scientific Purposes.

She has published 3 monographs, 1 e-book, 15 articles in international scientific journals and 4 articles in national scientific journals and contributed 3 chapters in 3 collective books.

## Thérèse MURPHY



Thérèse Murphy is Professor of Law at Queen's University Belfast and Raoul Wallenberg Visiting Professor at Lund University, where she is part of a team working on the future of human rights. Thérèse is a member of the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies, Ireland's National Research Ethics Committee on Medical Devices, Northern Ireland's Clinical Ethics Forum, and the Health & Life Sciences Committee of the Royal Irish Academy. Previously, she was a member of the UK's Moral & Ethical Advisory Group coordinated by the Department of Health & Social Care in London. In 2022, working with UNESCO and the 100-university Global Campus of Human Rights, she helped to create a MOOC on science and human rights, which is now being translated from English into Spanish.

## Kati MYLLYMÄKI



CHAIR: National Advisory Board on Social and Health Care Ethics ETENE

MD Helsinki University 1984

Specialist in family medicine 2002

University studies in administration, leadership, quality management

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

Clinical service in several hospitals and health centers Government/civil servant Ministry of Social and Health Chief Medical Officer in three social and health care districts CEO Finnish Medical Association

Medical Advisor SOSTE Finnish Federation for Social Affairs and Health

## POSITION OF RESPONSIBILITY

Activities in several student and professional and scientific medical or scientific associations

World Medical Association president 2002-03

Member of working group for Declaration of Helsinki

Evangelic Lutheran church – ecumenic co operation and chair of committee for pastoral care in hospitals

Chair of alumni association in University of Helsinki

Several positions in governmental committees (End of life care, Arts in health care)

Member of the committee for National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health

Member of advisory board for Finnish Institute for Health and Welfare

HONORARY MEMBERHIPS and MEDALS

Medical Students Association

Junior Doctors Association

Finnish Medical Association

Finnish Medical Society Duodecim

Eesti Arstide Liit

## **Kerstin NILSSON**



Kerstin Nilsson is Senior Professor of Surgery with a specialisation in obstetrics and gynaecology. She is at present president of the Swedish Agency for Health Technology Assessment and Assessment of Social Services (SBU), member of the Committee for Clinical Studies within the Swedish Research Council, and member of the Scientific Board within the Swedish Society of Obstetrics and Gynaecology.

## **Tariq OSMAN ANDERSEN**



Tariq Osman Andersen is an Associate Professor of Health Informatics at in the section for Software, Data, People, and Society at the Department of Computer Science, University of Copenhagen. Tariq engages in research from a humancomputer interaction perspective and participates in international R&D projects that explore how machine learning based systems can be realized in healthcare settings. His current research focuses on design, development and implementation of human-centred AI in radiology, cardiology, and dermatology. He is co-founder and Chief Scientific Officer in a digital health scale-up company and his research contributions are concerned with with large-scale and long-term co-design of digital health and revolves around experiments with AI-based clinical decision-making and remote patient-clinician interaction. Tariq holds a PhD from the University of Copenhagen (2012).

## **Barbara PRAINSACK**



Barbara Prainsack is a professor 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.

## **Klaus Peter RIPPE**



Chair of Federal Ethics Committee on Non-Human Biotechnology (ECNH)

Prof. Dr. phil. Klaus Peter Rippe studied philosophy, history and ethnology at the University of Göttingen (D). After receiving his doctorate in 1989 with a thesis, he was a research assistant at the universities of Saarbrücken (D), Mainz (D) and Zurich (CH). He habilitated at the University of Zurich in 2004. In 2008, he was appointed professor of practical philosophy at the University of Education Karlsruhe (D) and in 2016, he was elected University rector (re-elected 2022). Since 2015 he is Chair of the Swiss Federal Ethics Committee on Non-Human Biotechnology (ECNH). He already held this office from 2000 to 2011. Klaus Peter Rippe lives in Castleconnell, Co Limerick (Ireland) with his wife.

#### **Doris SCHROEDER**



Doris Schroeder is Professor of Moral Philosophy and Director at the Centre for Professional Ethics, UCLan UK and Professor in the School of Law at UCLan Cyprus. Her academic background is in philosophy, politics, economics. Her specialist areas of expertise are global research ethics, benefit sharing and inclusive research and innovation. She is the lead author of the Global Code of Conduct for Research in Resource-Poor Settings (2018) which has been adopted by the European Commission and forms the basis of NATURE's equity and inclusion policy. She is also the Co-ordinator of PREPARED, a 4.7 million Euro Horizon Europe project, which develops an ethics and integrity framework to support rapid and effective research during global crises. Prof. Schroeder has given invited presentations on questions of international justice on all continents and in 28 countries.

## **Stefano SEMPLICI**



Stefano Semplici is a professor of Social Ethics and Bioethics and a member of the Faculty of the Ph. D in Philosophy at Tor Vergata University of Rome. He is a member of the Italian Committee for Bioethics and was the Chair of the International Bioethics Committee of UNESCO (where he was appointed in 2008) from 2011 to 2015 and of the Committee for Bioethics of the Italian Society of Pediatrics, to which he still belongs as a member, from 2014 to 2019. He is an Associate Editor of the journal «Medicine, Health Care and Philosophy» (since 2010) and was Editor and then Co-editor of the Journal «Archivio di Filosofia/Archives of Philosophy» from 2007 to 2016. He is also a corresponding member of the Pontifical Academy for Life, a member of the steering committee of the Institute for philosophical studies "Enrico Castelli", and of the Editorial Boards and the scientific committees of other institutions, journals, and series. In 2023 he published the book Etica postpandemica.

#### **Juan Carlos SIURANA**



Dr. Juan Carlos Siurana Aparisi is Vice Chair of the Spanish Bioethics Committee. Professor of Moral Philosophy, Department of Philosophy of the University of Valencia, Spain. He is the coordinator of the Interuniversity Doctorate Program in Ethics and Democracy and director of the Bioethics Research Group at the University of Valencia. Member of the Ethics and Good Practices Committee of the Social Services of the Valencia City Council, and member of the Ethics Committee of the Social Services of the Valencian Community. Researcher at the ÉTNOR Foundation (For the Ethics of Business and Organizations).

He has published more than one hundred scientific articles or book chapters in his fields of research: discourse ethics, ethical theories, applied ethics and bioethics.

He is the author of the following books (published in Spanish, but the titles are translated into English): A compass for moral life (2003), Advance Directives (2005), The ethical society (2009), The advice of philosophers (2011), and Ethics of humor (2015).

His last two books are: Happiness through self-help (on ethical issues around self-help books) (2018), and Ethics for influencers (on ethics applied to the activity of people who have the greatest impact on social networks and their followers) (2021).

## **Sven-Eric SÖDER**



Sven-Eric Söder is Chair of the Swedish National Council on Medical Ethics. Prior to this, he was the director-general of the Folke Bernadotte Academy. Sven-Eric has also been state secretary at the Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs and at the Swedish Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation, and head of the Olof Palme International Center.

## Mathias UHLÉN



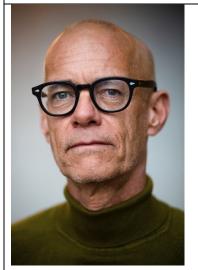
Mathias Uhlen research is focused on protein science, antibody engineering and precision medicine. His research has resulted in more than 700 publications and he is co-founder of 20 biotech companies. Since 2003, he has led an international effort to systematically map the human proteome and transcriptome to create a Human Protein Atlas. He is member of the National Academy of Engineering (NAE) in USA, the Royal Swedish Academy of Science (KVA), the Swedish Academy of Engineering Science (IVA) and the European Molecular Biology Organization (EMBO). From 2010-2015, he was the Founding Director of the Science for Life Laboratory (SciLifeLab), a Swedish national center for molecular bioscience.

## Renata VESELSKÁ



Renata Veselská graduated from the School of Science, Masaryk University (Brno, Czech Republic) in Molecular Biology and Genetics and she received Ph.D. in Genetics. In 2005, she won a Fogarty International Center of the NIH scholarship for participation in the educational program Research Ethics in Central and Eastern Europe. In 2008, she completed her M.Sc. studies in Bioethics with specialization in Research Ethics at the Union Graduate College and Mount Sinai School of Medicine (NY, USA). In 2013, she developed her knowledge and training through the Intensive Bioethics Course at the Kennedy Institute of Ethics (Georgetown University, Washington DC, USA). She was also appointed as the Associate Professor (2006) and Full Professor (2014) of Molecular Biology and Genetics at the Masaryk University. At the local level, she has served as a chair of the Research Ethics Committee at Masaryk University since 2015. At the national level, she serves as an elected vice-chair of the Bioethics Committee of the Research and Development Council of the Czech Government and as a member of the Ethics Committee of the Ministry of Healthcare. In 2022, she was appointed as a member of the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies.

## Johan VON SCHREEB



Johan von Schreeb is a medical doctor specialized in general surgery and a professor in global disaster medicine at Karolinska Institutet, where he leads the center for health crises that conducts research and trainings on health care provision in disaster in varying contexts. Among his research areas are ethical challenges in setting priorities and the moral stress this may cause on health care responders in disasters. He has long field work experience from disasters with Médecins Sans Frontières and WHO. He most recent field deployment was following the Turkey earthquake in 2023 and to Ukraine 2022.