

# **First Announcement and Call for Abstracts**

UNESCO Chair in Bioethics 12th World Conference
Bioethics, Medical Ethics
and Health Law

St. Raphael Hotel Resort & Congress Center Limassol, Cyprus March 21-23, 2017

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# Message from the Conference President

For the first fifty years of bioethics we discussed the construction and development of its concept. The original idea slowly gained its directions and followers, and constitutes a comprehensive perception concerning many issues that are critical for our human society. We are now facing a second stage, a new task, that seems to be even more important, complex and difficult, namely the delivering of our message to society, by planting the ethical values into the soul of the people and into their daily life and behavior.

Our task may be and should be realized in two ways, by two different tools: An educational tool and a legal tool. The educational tool will consist of the use of novel methods that will enable us access to the minds of potential "consumers" - the students, the caretakers, the patients and the public at large. The theory and language of bioethics should be translated and adopted by the legislator and the judiciary, and constitute the legal tool.

A concrete example can be found in the Universal Declaration of Bioethics and Human Rights of UNESCO, and its application by the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics. The UNESCO Declaration includes 15 ethical principles that have been approved and accepted by all the states worldwide. Our UNESCO Chair in Bioethics was authorized to deliver the message of the Declaration to the students all over the world. The first step has been made. We have published ten guidance books for teachers and have established not less than 115 Units in academic institutes on five continents. Each Unit is committed to the advancement of ethics education in its university and around its country.

The experts that attend our conference in Limassol are expected to undertake this mission, to start the second step and to establish additional units in their own institutes. You have the knowledge and the close contact to the field of bioethics, you understand its relevance and importance, you have the tools, the wisdom and the courage to motivate this process.

Let the Conference in Limassol function and serve as the bioethical lighthouse for the next generation.

Amnon Carmi
Prof. Amnon Carmi
President of the Conference

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- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- World Medical Association (WMA)
- IFMSA International Federation of Medical Students' Associations
- Israel Medical Association
- Zefat Bioethics Forum
- International Center for Health, Law and Ethics, Haifa University
- Cyprus Tourist Organization
- Cyprus Medical Association
- Ministry of Health of the Republic of Cyprus

#### **Invitation and Call for Abstracts**

The UNESCO Chair in Bioethics is pleased to invite you to become an active participant at the 12th World Conference. The Conference is designed to offer a platform for the exchange of information and knowledge and to hold discussions, lectures, workshops and exhibition of programs and databases. If you wish to take part in the scientific program, submit your oral presentation or poster abstract together with a short CV to: confer@isas.co.il

Deadline for abstract submission: October 31, 2016

#### **Target Groups**

physicians • nurses • social workers • psychologists • psychiatrists • doctors involved in legal medicine • lawyers • judges • bioethicists • philosophers • researchers • writers • ethics committee members • teachers • educators • rectors, deans and administrators of academic institutes • hospital managers • teachers and students of medical, nursing, ethics, psychology, philosophy and law schools and faculties • professional, cultural and volunteer organizations and associations • governmental & public bodies • speech and language therapists • veterinarians

#### **Main Topics**

Alcohol • Assisted Suicide • Autonomy • Benefit & Harm • Bioethics: Gender • Bioethics: General • Bioethics: History & Future • Clinical Trials • Confidentiality • Cultural Pluralism • Dentistry, Law and Ethics • Discrimination • Drugs • End of Life Environment's Protection • Equality • Ethical aspects of E-Medicine • Ethical aspects of Toxicology • Ethical Education: Skills & Technology • Ethical Ethics: The Digital Era • Ethics and Immigration • Ethics Committees • Ethics Education: Tools and Methods • Ethics Education: Youth and Children • Food and Death • Forensic Medicine • Genetics: Ethical Aspects • Healthcare Services and Costs • Human Dignity • Human life: Sacred Life, Quality of life • Human Rights • Informed Consent • Justice • Medical Errors • Medical Ethics: Medical Ethics and Law: Patents • Medical Ethics in Times of Crisis • Medical Ethics: Globalization • Medical Ethics: Management • Medical ethics: Surgery • Medical Law • Medical Negligence • Medical Research • Mental Disorders • Neuro-ethics • Nursing, Law and Ethics • Reproduction • Solidarity

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The UNESCO Chair in Bioethics promotes

# A Call for the Establishment of New Bioethics Units

You are invited to establish a new UNIT at your Institute!

The United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) established (2001) the

# **UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)**

The purpose of the CHAIR is to build, activate, co-ordinate and stimulate an International Network of Units in Academic institutes for ethics education.

The Chair has established until now 115 Units in 74 countries in the five continents.

If you wish to establish a new UNESCO Unit in your own institute you may forward your application to: amnoncarmi@gmail.com

For more details, guidelines and list of other Units, see: www.unesco-chair-bioethics.org

# **International Forum of Teachers (IFT)**

This is an invitation to each one of you to apply for membership in the IFT. The IFT is part of the Education Department of the UNESCO Chair.

The IFT consists of teachers who have graduated from an academic institute, who are or were involved in teaching bioethics, ethics or medical law.

The IFT will pursue its aims by promoting cooperation among its members, facilitating exchange of experience and information of programs and projects, developing and distributing educational programs and similar materials, initiating and organizing courses and meetings, and initiating the publication of professional materials.

For more information please contact the IFT's Director, Prof. S. Popova at sashkapopova@yahoo.com

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Amnon Carmi, Head

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**UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa)** 

# Abstracts for oral or poster presentation

**Abstracts** of approximately 250 words on any of the listed topics are invited for oral or poster presentation.

Submit abstract on abstract submission form to confer@isas.co.il For abstract submission form, see www.bioethics-conferences.com/abstract-form Please be certain to include the following: title, authors' names and places of work, CV, keywords, email address and telephone number.

Each participant may present only one lecture or one poster

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St. Raphael Hotel Resort & Congress Center Limassol, Cyprus

**Date:** March 21-23, 2017

**Language:** The World Conference will be held in English.

# **Get-Together Cocktail, Dinner and Cultural Performance:**

Tuesday, March 21 (Dress – informal) **Price**: £45

## Gala Farewell Cocktail, Dinner and Folklore Evening:

Wednesday, March 22 (Dress - informal) **Price**: €60

**Letter of Invitation:** Upon request, the Conference secretariat will supply participants with personal invitations to the World Conference. These invitations are meant to help visitors raise travel funds or obtain visas and do not represent a commitment on the part of the organizers to provide financial support.

**Certificate of Participation:** will be supplied upon request.

**Transportation from Airport:** Tecoma Services Limited, the local travel/handling agent, will supply group and private transportation from Larnaka International Airport to Limassol (venue and other hotels) and back, at a special cost for all conference participants. All transfers will be paid on the spot (according to seat availability at the time of arrival). To avoid queuing, long waiting and possibly high transportation expenses, we advise you to pre-book your seat directly at **info@tecomaservices.com.cy** by providing your name and flight details. Pre-booking should be sent by 10 March 2017.

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#### **Registration Fee:**

Registration fee for the 3 day Conference includes: entrance to all scientific sessions, program, book of abstracts, coffee breaks and two lunches (March 21 and 22).

	Until 15/8/16	Until 15/10/16	Until 15/12/16	After 15/12/16*
Conference participant	€350	€390	€440	€495
IFT Members / Nurse	€275	€315	€360	€410
Student**	€200	€225	€260	€310

On-line registration will be available until March 15, 2017. Thereafter, please register at the registration desk at the conference venue.

On-site registration: There will be a surcharge of €50

\*\* Students must provide proof of registration as full time students for 2016/17

Accompanying Persons:

Fee includes get-together cocktail dinner and cultural performance (21/3), gala farewell cocktail dinner and folklore evening (22/3), opening and closing sessions and half day tour of Limassol. Accompanying persons may not attend scientific sessions.

Price : £150

#### Payment:

Payment should be made by one of the following methods:

- By credit card via the Conference website: www.bioethics-conferences.com Please note that payments made by credit card are charged in US Dollars.
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The name of the conference and of each participant must be indicated on the bank transfer and fully completed registration forms should be submitted together with a copy of the bank transfer.

**Cancellation Policy:** All cancellations must be received via fax, email or post.

## Registration cancellations received:

- before December 30, 2016 − full refund less €60 bank and processing charges
- between December 30, 2016 and February 20, 2017 60% refund
- No refund for cancellations received after February 20, 2017

**Refunds** will be processed one month after the conference

# **Cyprus**

Cyprus is the third largest island in the Mediterranean. The island has over 400 miles of stunning coastline. Cyprus has a rich and varied history. Many civilizations have come over the centuries, including the Greeks, Romans, Byzantines, Lusignans, Genoese, Venelians, Ottomans and British, each leaving a part of their heritage. The island has a rugged and mountainous interior that offers breathtaking scenery and many outdoor activities. It offers excellent hidden gems to be discovered in coastal towns and villages, such as taverns serving local produce or workshops and traditional crafts.

Cyprus is home to ten UNESCO-listed churches, some located in the most spectacular and unspoiled areas of the island, and contain rare and astonishing fresco decoration.

## St. Raphael Hotel Resort & Congress Center

Located on the outskirts of Limassol, St. Raphael combines all the advantages of a carefully chosen, tranquil location: the calm sea at its doorstep and the colorful liveliness of Limassol. With 43,000 square meters of landscaped gardens and a large sandy beach, the resort is an oasis of pleasure. There are six excellent choices of restaurants to suit all moods and occasions and three magnificent bars. The resort features two floodlit tennis courts, a health club and a fully equipped gymnasium.

## **Accommodations and Tours**

Organized by Regina Tours For on-line reservation of hotel accommodations and tours, see www.bioethics-conferences.com/tours



#### **Hotel Accommodations:**

Rooms are available at the conference venue, 5\* St. Raphael Hotel Resort & Congress Center and additional hotels, with optional transfers to and from the conference venue.

Rates are per room, per night and include breakfast buffet.

#### **Tours:**

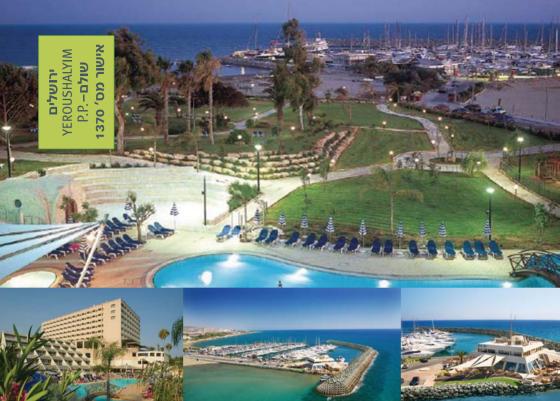
- Day Tour to Paphos
- Day Tour to Troodos Mountains
- Boat Trip
- City Tour & Shopping

For details and registration: www.bioethics-conferences.com/tours email: conference@reginatours.com

# To register online see: www.bioethics-conferences.com

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