

**MEDICAL UNIVERSITY OF PLEVEN
FACULTY OF PUBLIC HEALTH**



DAY OF BIOETHICS

06.04.2016

PROGRAMME

Hall “Ambroise Pare”, Telecommunication Centre, MU-Pleven

9:00 – 9:15	Opening
9:15 – 10:15	<p>Aging ethics – introduction to the field and theoretical framework</p> <p><i>Speaker: Prof. Renzo Pegoraro</i>, Professor of bioethics, Faculty of Theology, Past-President of the European Association of Centers of Medical Ethics, and Chancellor of Pontifical Academy for Life</p> <p><i>Moderator: Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska</i></p>
10:15 – 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 – 11:30	<p>Aging ethics – practical approach to ethical dilemmas</p> <p><i>Speaker: Prof. Renzo Pegoraro</i>, Professor of bioethics, Faculty of Theology, Past-President of the European Association of Centers of Medical Ethics, and Chancellor of Pontifical Academy for Life</p> <p><i>Moderator: Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska</i></p>
11:30 – 12:30	<p>Human Rights perspective on aging</p> <p><i>Speaker: Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska</i>, Professor in Public health and Bioethics, Medical University of Pleven</p>
12:30 – 13:00	<p>Open debate</p> <p><i>Moderators: Prof. Renzo Pegoraro</i> <i>Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska</i></p>
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch break
14:30 – 15:15	<p>Bioethical debates on aging and anti-aging medicine</p> <p><i>Speaker: Assoc. Prof. Valentina Kaneva</i>, Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”</p> <p><i>Moderator: Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska</i></p>
15:15 – 16:00	<p>Presentations session 1</p> <p><i>Moderators: Prof. Renzo Pegoraro</i> <i>Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How do autonomy, dignity and justice look like in aging context? Atanas Anov, MU-Pleven 2. Ethical issues in cancer pain management Dr Nikolai Yordanov, MD, PhD, CCC-Vratsa 3. Competence – Can I decide for you? Ahmad Kaab, MU-Pleven

16:00 – 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 – 17:30	<p>Presentations session 2 <i>Moderators: Prof. Renzo Pegoraro</i> <i>Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska</i></p> <p>4. Ethical issues in the care of patients with dementia Azka Sahar Fouzi, MU-Pleven</p> <p>5. A case of an elderly woman with demetia in its late stages Rebecca Eture, MU-Pleven</p> <p>6. IVF treatment and age discrimination Gurpreet Kaur, MU-Pleven</p> <p>7. Ageism in health care Jensy Mathew, MU-Pleven</p> <p>8. The ethical challenge of translational geroscience in providing healthy aging Diana Pendicheva, MU-Pleven</p>
17:30 - 18:00	<p>Open debate <i>Moderators: Prof. Renzo Pegoraro</i> <i>Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska</i></p>
18:00	Closing

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The Day of bioethics is an initiative originated by Prof. Dr Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska. The first Day of bioethics was held on 8.04.2014 and was dedicated to research ethics. Invited speaker was the distinguished bioethicist *Prof. Henk ten Have*, Doctor Honoris Causa of Medical University of Pleven. Prof. ten Have also moderated the ethical case analysis poster session with the participation of 13 medical students English division of Medical University of Pleven. All full texts of the materials were independently reviewed by Prof. ten Have and Prof. Silviya Aleksandrova-Yankulovska and were published in the book "Ethical decision-making in health care". The book also serves as a valuable study material in the course of bioethics for medical students.

The Day of bioethics 2015 was dedicated to human rights in health care. Invited speakers were *Prof. Luciana Caenazzo* - Professor in legal medicine and bioethics, Department of Molecular medicine, University of Padua and *Prof. Renzo Pegoraro* - Professor of Bioethics at Faculty of Theology, University of Padua, Past-President of the European Association of Centers of Medical Ethics, and Chancellor of Pontifical Academy for Life.

The Day of bioethics 2016 is focused on Aging Ethics. Invited speaker for second time is Prof. Renzo Pegoraro.

Several thematic fields have been proposed:

- Ageism in health care
- Care of dementia patients
- Ethics of palliative care
- Competency and advance directives issues
- Resource allocation and elderly
- Access of elderly to health care and research
- Cultural perspectives on aging
- Intergenerational responsibilities

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