

# Between Policy and Practice: Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Assisted Reproductive Technologies and Equitable Access to Health Care



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## Day One: Monday, July 6, 2015

### Part I – Morning Session (9.00-13,15):

#### Presentations by Invited Speakers

##### *Disciplinary Area I: Bioethics & Law*

**Paweł Łuków, Ph.D.**, Institute of Philosophy, Ethics Department, University of Warsaw (Poland): *Assisted Reproductive Technologies. Regulation and Abstraction*

**Guido Pennings, Ph.D.**, Bioethics Institute Ghent, Ghent University (Belgium): *Cross-border reproductive care and justice*

**Karolina Więckiewicz, J.D.**, Polish Federation for Women and Family Planning; Warsaw (Poland): *European Court of Human Rights – developing the standards of art in the human rights dimension*

##### *Disciplinary Area II: Sociology*

**Zeynep B. Gürtin, Ph.D.**, Department of Sociology, University of Cambridge (UK): *International Egg Exchanges: Beyond Exploitation and Consumerism*

**Elżbieta Korolczuk, Ph.D.**, Department of Sociology and Work Science, University of Gothenburg, and Södertörn University (Sweden): *Second-rate citizens? Assisted reproduction and citizenship in contemporary Poland*

**Iva Šmídová, Ph.D.**, Department of Sociology, Masaryk University, Brno (Czech Republic): *Coping Strategies in Clinical Daily Chores: Gendered Provision of Health Care in the Czech Reproductive (Bio)Medicine*

11.15-11.45 Coffee / Tea Break

*Disciplinary Area III: Anthropology & Gender Studies*

**Jill Allison, Ph.D.**, Faculty of Medicine, Memorial University of Newfoundland (Canada): *Enduring Politics: The culture of obstacles in legislating for ART in Ireland*

**Charis Thompson, Ph.D.**, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley (USA) and Department of Sociology, London School of Economics and Political Science (UK): *Transnational, Disability, and Reproductive Justice: Sociological Perspectives on ARTs and Equitable Access to Health Care*

*Disciplinary Area IV: Health & Policy Advocacy*

**Anna Krawczak, M.A.**, President of the Society for Infertility Treatment and the Support of Adoption “Nasz Bocian” [“Our Stork”] (Poland): *Monitoring over ART centres - patients perspective*

**Renate Kurszus, M.A.**, Ønskebarns. Norwegian Association for Fertility and Infertility, Oslo (Norway): *Conservative laws in a modern country*

13.15-14.15 Lunch Break

Part II – Afternoon Session: 14.15-18.00

Presentations by Symposium Participants

**Bettina Bock von Wülfigen, Ph.D.**, Humboldt University (Germany): *Re-constructing the embryo: the new German PGD and in-vitro parenting*

**Michelle Bayefsky, Pre-Doctoral Fellow**, National Institutes of Health (USA): *Comparative PGD Policy in Europe and the United States and its Implications for Reproductive Tourism*

**Antonietta Elia, Ph.D.**, University of Santiago de Compostela (Spain): *Balancing Ethics Values with Scientific Reasonableness: The Italian Law 40/2004 on the Access to Medical Assisted Reproduction in the Light of National and European Case-Law*

**Erich Griessler, Ph.D., Mariella Hager, Ph.D.**, Institute for Advanced Studies, Vienna (Austria): *Changing direction. The Austrian struggle about how to regulate ART*

**Debra Wilson, Ph.D.**, University of Canterbury (New Zealand): *Is A Ban On Commercial Surrogacy In The Best Interests Of The Child? Reflecting On Recently Proposed Irish Reforms*

**Shirin Garmaroudi Naef, Ph.D. Candidate**, University of Zurich (Switzerland): *Attitudes Towards Sex Selection: A Survey Among Iranian Medical, Legal, Philosophical and Religious Scholars*

**Jenny Gunnarsson Payne, Ph.D.**, Södertörn University (Sweden): *Trans\*forming the Fertility Patient. Egg Freezing and Transgendered Fertility Patients in Swedish Law and Policy*

**Inmaculada de Melo-Martin, Ph.D.**, Cornell University (USA): *How Best to Protect the Interests of Donor-Conceived Individuals: Prohibiting or Mandating Anonymity in Gamete Donations?*

**Atina Krajewska, Ph.D.**, Cardiff University (UK): *Access of single women to fertility treatment: a case of incidental discrimination?*

Poster Display:

**Helen Allan, Ph.D.**, Middlesex University (UK): *A discussion of the shaping of organisational routines and the distal patient in assisted reproductive technologies*

**Esther Crespo, Ph.D. Candidate**, University of Barcelona (Spain): *Women and partners experiences after successful Assisted Reproduction Techniques (ART)*

**Dov Greenbaum, Ph.D.**, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya (Israel): *A Novel Cause of Action to Discourage Detrimental Genetic Selection*

**Sigurður Kristinsson, Ph.D.**, University of Akureyri (Iceland): *Surrogacy in Iceland: Legal developments and ethical issues*

**Ginny Mounce, Ph.D. Candidate**, University of Surrey (UK): *A longitudinal ethnographic study of couples' experiences of starting infertility treatments: early findings*

**Maria Reimann, Ph.D. Candidate**, University of Warsaw (Poland): *"I was with my wife all the time". Polish men's narratives of the IVF treatment*

**Beatriz San Román, Ph.D.**, Autonomous University of Barcelona (Spain): *Assisted reproduction in Spain: between policies and practices*

**Elissavet Symeonidou-Kastanidou, Ph.D.**, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece): *Medically Assisted Reproduction: Towards an integrated European legislation?*

**Heleen Weyers, Ph.D.**, University of Groningen (Netherlands): *Mandatory sperm-donor registry: instrumental, symbolic or something in between?*

**Tracie L. Wilson, Ph.D.**, Martin Luther University in Halle (Germany): *The Limits of Consensus: Ethics, Tolerance, and ART Practices in Germany and Poland*

**Shawn Winsor, Ph.D. Candidate**, McMaster University (Canada): *Ethical Considerations Affecting Access to ART in Canada, and their Broader Policy Implications: Results from "The Gatekeepers' Survey"*

16.15-16.45 Coffee / Tea Break & Poster Viewing

Plenary Discussion of Posters and Participants' Papers

18.00 Dinner for all Symposium Participants and Auditors

## **Day Two: Tuesday, July 7, 2015 (09.00-13.00)**

Brief summary by each of 10 invited speakers on the main issues that emerged from the first day and identification topics that require further discussion

11.00-11.30 Coffee / Tea Break

Plenary Discussions

13.00 Lunch