





Pre-Conference Workshop Certification and Education in Clinical Ethics – Learning from Experiences in Switzerland

Wednesday, June 4 13:00-16:00 Lecture Hall "Cesar-Roux", CHUV Lausanne, Switzerland online access:

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The conference program outlined focuses on advancing the teaching and certification of clinical ethics in Switzerland, addressing challenges in medical education and healthcare ethics support. Below is a summary of the key elements:

Conference Overview

- **Objective**: To enhance clinical ethics education for medical doctors and establish a standardized certification program for clinical ethics consultants in Switzerland.
- **Structure**: Two sessions—one presenting proposals for certification of clinical ethics consultants and another addressing ethical competencies in post-graduate medical training.

Session 1: Certification of Clinical Ethics Consultants

- **Time**: 13:00–14:15
- Focus:
 - Presentation of the Swiss CHEC model for certification, inspired by programs in Germany and the USA, tailored to Swiss healthcare system specifics.
 - Basic and advanced courses proposed for health professionals interested in ethics support.

- Expert commentaries followed by open discussion.
- Speakers:
 - **O. Hasselmann** (SSBE, CH): Welcome and introduction.
 - **R. Jox** (Lausanne): Presentation of the Swiss CHEC model. (20 Min.)
 - Commentaries by:
 - A. Simon (Göttingen, GE). (10 Min.) online
 - M. Aulisio (Cleveland, USA). (10 Min.)

14.15 - 14.45 Break

Session 2: Ethical Competencies and Post-Graduate Training of Physicians

- **Time**: 14:45–16:00
- Focus:
 - Presentation of core competencies in clinical ethics, formulated as "entrustable professional activities" for practical adaptability.
 - Comparative insights from neighboring countries (Austria and Germany).
 - Open discussion on implementation strategies.

• Speakers:

- **O. Hasselmann** (SSBE, CH): Introduction and closure.
- **T. Krones** (Zurich, CH): Presentation of the SSBE model. (20 Min.)
- Commentaries by:
 - J. Wallner (Vienna, AT). (10 Min.)
 - K. Kühlmeyer (Munich, GE). (10 Min.)

Key Themes:

- 1. Addressing barriers to effective clinical ethics education in Switzerland, such as workload constraints and curriculum overload.
- 2. Learning from international experiences to enhance training programs.
- 3. Promoting practical adaptability through entrustable professional activities and certification programs.

The program emphasizes collaboration, international perspectives, and audience engagement to refine these initiatives further.

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