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Bioethics in Poland and Germany Tradition and Controversies

The moral conflicts bioethics is confronted with are not confined to national borders, so that any successful recommendation for the solution of these conflicts has to take into account national peculiarities in moral debates. Whereas the bioethical debates in Western Europe are relatively well known, this is not the case for the Middle-East-European countries that joined the EU in May 2004. In this context Poland is for historical, political and economical reasons of special importance for Germany.

Despite this, a scientific exchange between Poland and Germany that is worth mentioning is developing only slowly. One of the main reasons for the relative ignorance of the bioethical debate in the countries concerned is the regrettable focusing of interest on the Anglo-Saxon debate that is aggravated by an obvious language problem. The conference, therefore, pursues mainly two aims: First, the current controversies in bioethics should be discussed in a bi-national perspective. It is hoped that a deeper understanding of the similarities and differences in both communities will help to develop solutions for moral conflicts that transcend national borders. Secondly, the conference serves the programmatic aim of the Europäische Akademie to foster and promote the scientific exchange with the countries in Middle-East-Europe.

Programme

Sunday 26 September 2004

from 17.00 Registration

19.00 Panel Discussion
Professor Dr. Dieter Birnbacher, Düsseldorf
Professor Dr. Michael Quante, Essen
Professor Dr. Jacek Holówka, Warsaw
Dr. Pawel Luków, Warsaw
The public discourse on bioethics

20.00 Reception

Monday 27 September 2004

8.30 Welcome Introduction

Session 1: Euthanasia
9.00 – 10.00 Talk 1: Professor Dr. Dieter Birnbacher, Düsseldorf
Terminal Sedation, Euthanasia and Causal Roles

10.00 – 11.00 Talk 2: Professor Dr. Jacek Holówka, Warsaw
How much worse is mercy killing than assisted death?

11.00 – 11.30 Break

Session 2: The Right to Live – The Right to Die

11.30 – 12.30 Talk 1: Professor Dr. Barbara Chyrowicz, Lublin
The Right to Live and Uncertainty

12.30 – 13.30 Talk 2: Dr. Heinrich Ganthaler, Salzburg
Euthanasia and the Right to Life

13.30 – 15.00 Lunch

Session 3: Ethical Problems of Medicine

15.00 – 16.00 Talk 1: Professor Dr. Alicja Przyłuska-Fischer
What kind of bioethics do we need? The debate on embryonic stem-cells in Poland

16.00 – 17.00 Talk 2: Dr. Felix Thiele, Bad Neuenahr-Ahrweiler
On the Moral Foundations of a lasting Healthcare-system

17.00 – 17.30 Break

Session 4: Incentives for Organ-Donation

17.30 – 18.30 Talk 1: Professor Dr. Michael Quante, Essen
Mein Körper als Warenlager? Ethische Aspekte des Organhandels

18.30 – 19.30 Talk 2: Professor Dr. Piotr Morciniec, Oppeln
Die 'verkaufte' Gabe?

Tuesday 28 September 2004

9.00 – 12.00 3 Lectures (20 min plus discussion)

Dr. Pawel Luków, Warsaw
Limits of Consent
Dr. habil. Jan Hartman, Cracow
Should we legalize euthanasia?
Professor Dr. habil. Marek Wichrowski, Warsaw
Ethical aspects of transplantology

End of Conference

Organisation

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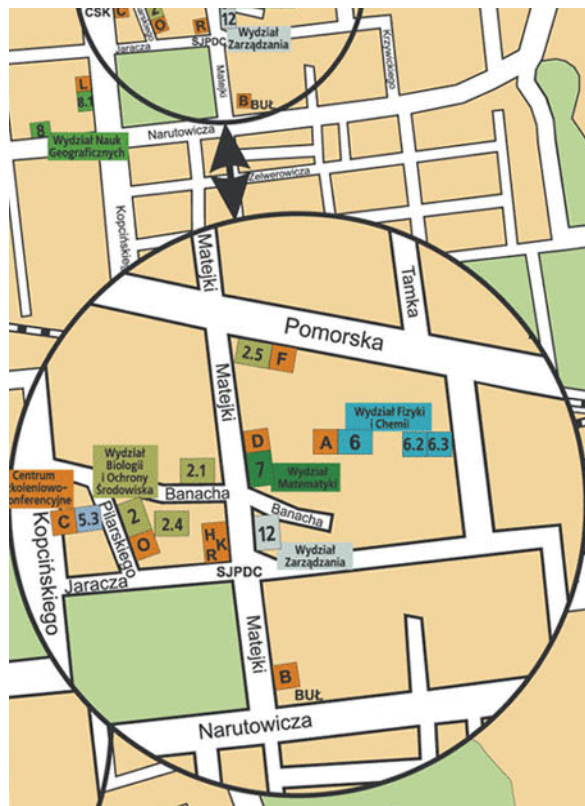
Information about Programme and Accommodation:

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Conference Venue

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