

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