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Research Ethics Network in CEE | Newsletter #3

Dear Colleagues,

Welcome to the third edition of our Network Newsletter. It includes Program news and links to recent publications by Program alumni. I invite you once again to share information on your recent accomplishments and any other news that could be interesting and/or useful to Network members. One way to do this is via our Network Facebook Page. You cal also email me directly with suggestions about the newsletter and Network activities.

Sincerely, Vilius Dranseika

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Program news

New cohort

Proseminar of the fifth cohort of Advanced Certificate Program trainees will be held in Vilnius, Lithuania from August 17 through August 24, 2014. Proseminar will be followed by a faculty workshop on best practices in online education.

Thanks are due to everyone who helped to distribute the call for applications and recruit new trainees.



The Program is now offering grants for research ethics-related projects or course development expenses.



Funding of up to \$5,000 per applicant (plus up to 8% indirect costs) will be awarded competitively for research ethics-related projects or course development expenses. The proposed project should be conducted in-country and represent an independent project under the direct supervision of an Advanced Certificate Program faculty member (mentor). Special emphasis will be given to projects designed to: 1) identify or address gaps in research ethics infrastructure in the home country; or 2) prepare trainees to function as independent research ethicists, educators, or facilitators of institutional change.

You are eligible to apply if: 1) you have successfully completed the program in the last ten years; and 2) currently work and reside in an eligible low- or middle-income country. Eligible countries are Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Georgia, Hungary, Kazakhstan, Kosovo, the Kyrgyz Republic, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan.

If you reside in a country that is not this list, you are only eligible to apply for support in partnership with an alum from an eligible country. Joint projects can apply for up to \$10,000/year.

Applications are due June 1, 2014. For more information please contact Sean Philpott (philpots@mail.uniongraduatecollege.edu).

Articles about the Program

Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics published two papers that contain analysis of the Program:

Building Research Ethics Capacity in Post-Communist Countries: Experience of Two Fogarty Training Programs. By Martin A. Strosberg, Eugenijus Gefenas, Sana Loue and Sean Philpott-Jones



An Analysis of Online Courses in Research Ethics in the Fogarty-Sponsored Bioethics Training Programs. By Henry Silverman, Martin Strosberg, Florencia Luna, Sean Philpott and Cheryl A. Hemmerle

Alumni News

Medical Ethics, Bioethics and Research Ethics Education Perspectives in South East Europe in Graduate Medical Education by Program alumnus Goran Mijaljica is published in Science and Engineering Ethics.





Andrei Famenka has recently co-authored a volume on health system in Belarus in the series European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies. The book can be downloaded here.

Marcin Waligora and a group of researchers from Utrecht University exchanged letters on assent in the "European Journal of Human Genetics": Marcin's Letter and a reply to it.





,Mirroring' the Ethics of Biobanking: What Analysis of Consent Documents Can Tell Us? by Program alumnae Jurate Serepkaite and Zivile Valuckiene and Program co-director Eugenijus Gefenas is out in in Science and Engineering Ethics.

As always, I hope you enjoyed this update.

Please send your news to:

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