

# AI regulation: the ethical minimum

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## Opening Remarks

**Isabel Capelo Gil** / Rector, Universidade Católica Portuguesa (UCP)  
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## 1<sup>st</sup> Session **A European view**

Chair introduction **Maria do Céu Patrão Neves**  
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### **The European Framework on Artificial Intelligence**

**Tatjana Evas** / Legal and Policy Officer at the European Commission

### **The Ethics Guidelines for Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence**

**Mark Coeckelbergh** / High Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence

Commentator remarks **David Marçal** / Universidade Nova de Lisboa

Open discussion

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Session **A World view**

Chair introduction **Maria do Céu Patrão Neves**

### **Global recommendation on the Ethics of AI**

**Dafna Feinholz** / Chief of Section for Bioethics and Ethics of Sciences, UNESCO

### **Mapping Consensus in Ethical and Rights-based Approaches to Principles for AI**

**Jessica Fjeld** / Harvard Law School, Cyberlaw Clinic at the Berkman Klein Center for Internet & Society

Commentator remarks **Manuel Curado** / Universidade do Minho  
Open discussion

## Closing Remarks

**Luís Barreto Xavier** / Member of the Executive Commission of the *Law and AI* Research Group, Católica Research Centre for the Future of the Law (UCP)

**Tatjana Evas**

**Tatjana Evas** / Is a Legal and Policy Officer at the European Commission and Associate Professor of EU and Comparative law at Tallinn University of Technology. Her current research work at the Commission focuses on the regulation of artificial intelligence. Before that, she was Policy Analyst in the European Parliamentary Research Service, where, among other things, she scientifically coordinated European Parliament's public consultation on *Robotics and AI* (2017), published *European Added Value Assessments on Liability of Autonomous Vehicles* (2018), on *European framework on ethical aspects of AI, robotics and related technologies* (2020) and *Civil Liability Regime for AI* (2020).

**Mark Coeckelbergh**

**Mark Coeckelbergh** / Is Professor of Philosophy of Media and Technology at the Department of Philosophy, University of Vienna, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy and Education, and the former President of the Society for Philosophy and Technology (SPT). Previously he was Professor of Technology and Social Responsibility at the Centre for Computing and Social Responsibility, De Montfort University, UK, and Managing Director of the 3TU Centre for Ethics and Technology. Coeckelbergh is member of advisory bodies in the area of policy for artificial intelligence and robotics, including the High Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence for the European Commission, the Austrian Council on Robotics and Artificial Intelligence, and the Advisory Council on Automated Mobility (Austrian government). He has many other advisory roles and affiliations, including member of the Technical Expert Committee for the Foundation for Responsible Robotics.

**David Marçal**

**David Marçal** / PhD from Universidade Nova de Lisboa (2008). Biochemist and science communicator. He is the author of several books, such as *Pseudociência* (Fundação Francisco Manuel dos Santos, 2014) and *Cientistas Portugueses* (Fundação Francisco Manuel dos Santos, 2019). Co-author, with Carlos Fiolhais, of the books *Darwin aos Tiros e Outras Histórias de Ciência* (Gradiva, 2011), *Pipocas com Telemóvel e Outras Histórias de Falsa Ciência* (Gradiva, 2012), *A Ciência e os Seus Inimigos* (Gradiva, 2017) e *Apanhados pelo Vírus* (Gradiva, 2020). He is the author of hundreds of articles in the media, shows and science television programs about science. Guest professor at NOVA FCSH. He was distinguished with the prizes *Químicos Jovens* (from the Portuguese Chemical Society), *Ideias Verdes* (from Fundação Luso and from the newspaper *Expresso*) and *COMCEPT* (from the Portuguese Skeptic Community).



**Dafna Feinholz**

**Dafna Feinholz** / PhD in Research Psychology (UIA Mexico) and a Master in Bioethics (Universidad Complutense, Madrid, Spain). She was the Head of the Reproductive Epidemiology Department at the Mexican National Institute of Perinatology, and the Director for Research and Planning of the Women and Health Programme, at the Ministry of Health (Mexico).

She successively occupied the posts of Academic Coordinator of the National Commission of Human Genome at the Ministry of Health and Executive Director of the National Commission of Bioethics. Among her achievements, she ensured a more independent legal status for the National Bioethics Committees (NBC); contributed to define their mission as promoters of a bioethics culture; encouraged them to provide society and decision makers with the necessary elements to understand and tackle ethical issues.

She drafted the first national guidelines for Research Ethics Committees and Clinical Bioethics Committees; and promoted the law that established and differentiated both types of committees (law approved and currently in vigour). She is the founder of FLACEIS (Latin American Forum of Ethics Committees in Health Research) and was the Chairperson (2000-2006).

She was a member of the international expert group, TDR-WHO: drafting and translating Operational Guidelines for Ethics Committees. She was Mexico's representative at the meetings of the Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee to discuss UNESCO's Universal Declaration on Bioethics and Human Rights.

Since September 2009, Dafna Feinholz is the Chief of the Bioethics and Ethics of Science Section, within UNESCO's Social and Human Science Sector. In this capacity, she leads different activities aiming

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**Manuel Curado** / Is Professor of Philosophy at the University of Minho, namely in the areas of Philosophy of Mind, Ancient Philosophy and Philosophy in Portugal, and obtained several other titles, namely that of National Defense Auditor (Ministry of Defense, Lisbon) and Senior Management Course for Public Administration (University of Minho/INA). He is *doctor cum laude* from the University of

Salamanca, having previously obtained a master's degree in Philosophy from the Universidade Nova de Lisboa. He has delivered over 250 conferences in many countries, from Moscow, Russia (MGLU and MGIMO), to Brasilia, Brazil (UnB), and was Erasmus Professor in Padua, Italy. He is the author of several books, including the first critical edition of an eighteenth-century manuscript written by a fellow of the Royal Society of London, the Portuguese doctor *Dr. Isaac Sequeira Samuda, MD* (IUC/Coimbra University Press, 2014). Along with his philosophical activities, he has a literary taste for promoting the edition of Portuguese-language classics, such as *D. Francisco Manuel de Melo* (Círculo de Leitores, 2018) and *Teixeira de Queiroz* (Imprensa Nacional-Casa da Moeda, 2020), because he glimpses in them signs of perennial wisdom. He was a member to several ethics committees, and expressed his bioethical thinking in the book *Health and Cyborgs: Caring in the Biotechnological Era* (Edições Esgotadas, 2019).