



# BIOLAW

## GLOBALIZATION AND PANDEMIC

Biojuridical and Bioethical Challenges in the Context of COVID-19

**June 11th, 2020**

8:00 am (New York City Time)

### SPEAKERS' BIOS

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#### **Peter Singer**

He is considered the most important and influential alive philosopher in the world. He is Ira W. DeCamp Professor of Bioethics, University Center for Human Values, Princeton University, USA. B.A. (Hons), University of Melbourne, 1967, M.A., University of Melbourne, 1969, and B. Phil., University of Oxford, 1971. He is author of paradigmatic books on moral philosophy: *Animal Liberation* (1975), *Practical Ethics* (1979), *Applied Ethics* (1986), *Rethinking Life and Death* (1994), and *One World: Ethics and Globalization* (2002), among many others. He has been distinguished and honored with numerous awards and prizes by prestigious universities. His ideas are source of permanent inspiration and debate all over the

#### **Julian Savulescu**

One of the most important voices of bioethics in the world. He has held the Uehiro Chair in Practical Ethics at the University of Oxford since 2002. He has degrees in medicine, neuroscience and bioethics. He directs the Oxford Uehiro Centre for Practical Ethics within the Faculty of Philosophy, and leads a Wellcome Trust Senior Investigator award on Responsibility and Health Care. He directs the Oxford Martin Programme for Collective Responsibility for Infectious Disease at the Oxford Martin School at the University of Oxford. He co-directs the interdisciplinary Wellcome Centre for Ethics and Humanities in collaboration with Public Health, Psychiatry and History. In 2017, he joined the Murdoch Childrens Research Institute, spending four months per year as Visiting Professorial Fellow in Biomedical Ethics where he is working to establish a programme in biomedical ethics, and Melbourne University as Distinguished International Visiting Professor in Law.

## Henry Greely

He is a world authority in the field of law and the biosciences. He specializes in the ethical, legal, and social implications of new biomedical technologies, particularly those related to neuroscience, genetics, or stem cell research. He is a founder and immediate past president of the International Neuroethics Society; a member of the Multi-Council Working Group of the NIH's BRAIN Initiative, whose Neuroethics Working Group he co-chairs; and chair of California's Human Stem Cell Research Advisory Committee. He served as a member of the Committee on Science, Technology and Law of the National Academies from 2013-2019; a member of the Neuroscience Forum of the Institute of Medicine from 2012-2019; as a member of the Advisory Council of the NIH's National Institute for General Medical Sciences from 2013-2016; and from 2007-2010 as co-director of the Law and Neuroscience Project, funded by the MacArthur Foundation. Professor Greely is Deane F. Kate Edelman Johnson Professor of Law at Stanford University, and chairs the steering committee for the Stanford Center for Biomedical Ethics and directs both the law school's Center for Law and the Biosciences and the Stanford Program in Neuroscience and Society. In 2007 Professor Greely was elected a fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

## Erick Valdés

One of the most important international authorities of biolaw. His contribution to the development of biolaw's epistemology has been very relevant in the last years. President International Network of Biolaw. M.A. (Bio.), Ph.D. (Phil.), PosDoc (Bio.), Georgetown University, USA. PosDoc (Law), Washington College of Law, USA. He has been Visiting Professor, Center for Human Values, Princeton University; Adjunct Research Scholar; Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University; Resident Professor, Center for Clinical Bioethics, Georgetown University; Associate Professor of International Human Rights, The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars; Adjunct Professor of Bioethics and Theories of Democracy and Human Rights, American University, USA; and Adjunct Professor of Bioethics and Research Ethics, George Mason University, USA.

## Jacob Dahl Rendtorff

He is a world authorized voice in biolaw. Professor, Department of Social Sciences and Business, Roskilde University, Denmark. Pioneer of biolaw in the world. He is author, along with Peter Kemp, of the book *Basic Ethical Principles in European Bioethics and Biolaw*, the result of a joint work of several scholars and intellectuals of European Community. Professor Rendtorff was, along Kemp, the first scholar in offering an epistemological configuration for European biolaw and bioethics. He speaks and writes Danish, German, English and French, and has written and published papers in those four languages. He is member of the organizing committee of the World Congress of Philosophy, and beyond his relevant work in the areas of business ethics, philosophy of law and hermeneutics.

## **Carlos M. Romeo Casabona**

He is the most important expert on biolaw in Spain and Latin-America. Professor of Criminal Law and Head of the Chair of Law and Human Genome Research Group, University of the Basque Country. He has been Founder and Director, Center of Criminological Studies and Dean School of Law, Universidad of La Laguna. J.D., Ph.D. (Law), and Ph.D. (Medicine), University of Zaragoza. He has been visiting Professor at Universities of Bonn, Munich and Lüneburg; Paris II and Montpellier; Stanford (CA); La Sapienza and Tor Vergata in Rome; Max Planck Institute, Freiburg, and at the Kennedy Institute of Ethics, Georgetown University. He is a member of the European Group of Ethics in Science and New Technologies of the European Commission, of the Bioethics Committee of the Council of Europe, Chairman, Clinical Research Ethics Committee of the Basque Country; former member of the Spanish Bioethics Committee.

## **Marisa Aizenberg**

She is a relevant member of the International Network of Biolaw and leader of the discipline in Argentina. Director Observatory of Health, School of Law, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina. J.D. University of Buenos Aires. Specialist in Civil Law, University of Salamanca, Spain. She has been legal adviser at Garrahan and Posadas Hospitals, as well as at the Chamber of Deputies and the Ministry of Health, Argentina. She is Adjunct Professor of Civil Law and Health Law at the University of Buenos Aires, and Visiting Professor at international universities, such as University La República, Uruguay, and the School of Public Health, Rio Grande do Sul, Brasil among others.

## **Juan Alberto Lecaros**

He is one of the leaders in the development and deepening of biolaw in Latin America. Director Observatory of Bioethics and Law, Universidad del Desarrollo. J.D., University of Chile, Ph.D. (Phil.), Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain. Master in Bioethics, Universidad Ramón Llull – Instituto Borja de Bioética, Barcelona, Spain. Bachelor in Philosophy, Gregorian University of Roma, Italy.

## **Carlo Casonato**

He is one of the most important voices on biolaw in Italy and Europe. He is Professor of Comparative Constitutional Law, Biolaw and Bioethics at the University of Trento and Verona. Founder and editor in chief of the Biolaw Journal and scientific director of the Biolaw project. He is also a member of the Italian National Bioethics Committee. Visiting fellow in many Universities (Chicago-Kent College of Law, Oxford, Montreal, Berkeley, Toronto, Lancaster, San Sebastian). He has published numerous books and articles on bioethical and biolegal issues.

## María de Jesús Medina-Arellano

Important figure of Mexican biolaw and bioethics. Lawyer and B.Sc. (Law), Autonomous University of Nayarit, Mexico; Master in Law, UNAM, Mexico; Ph.D. (*Bioethics and Medical Jurisprudence*), University of Manchester, UK. She is one of the most important Mexican researchers on biolaw and bioethics, contributing to the deepening and applications of those fields to practical societal problems. She has profusely published on both topics as well as worked as advisor of Mexican government and public agencies in her country. She teaches and researches bioethics and biolaw at the Institute for Juridical Research at the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM).

## Christian Byk

Relevant expert on European bioethics and biolaw. Judge, Court of appeal, Paris. Secretary General, International Association of Law, Ethics and Science (1989-). Associate Professor University of Poitiers, Faculty of Law (1994-1997). French National Committee for UNESCO (2002-), chair, Ethics of science committee. French representative, UNESCO Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee. Editor general, International Journal of Bioethics. Editor general, Law, health and society review. Former president (2017-2019) of Unesco Intergovernmental Bioethics Committee.