



# Research ethics and EU funding proposals

1 and 6 February 2024, from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM

On-line training course – English language

<b>Course introduction</b>	Research ethics is about the principle of “doing the right thing” in planning, conducting and following up your research. Ethical research conduct implies the application of fundamental ethical principles and legislation to scientific research in all possible domains of research. In EU funded projects, the ethical dimension is an integral part of research from beginning to end, and ethical compliance is seen as pivotal to achieve real research excellence. There is a need to make a thorough ethical evaluation from the conceptual stage of the proposal not only to respect the legal framework but also to enhance the quality of the research. This includes the adherence to the highest standards of research integrity as described in the <i>European Code of Conduct for Research Integrity</i> . The process to assess and address the ethical dimension of activities funded under Horizon Europe is called the <i>Ethics Appraisal Procedure</i> and includes the Ethics Review Procedure, conducted before the start of the project, as well as Ethics Checks, Reviews and Audits conducted during the project <sup>1</sup> .
<b>Programme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Guiding principles &amp; Contractual obligations</li> <li>– The ethics appraisal process: steps and outcomes, who is who</li> <li>– Serious and complex ethics issues</li> <li>– The ethics self-assessment: review of the Ethics Table sections (humans, cells, personal data, non-EU countries, etc.)</li> <li>– Ethics advisors and ethics boards</li> <li>– Some ideas about training and networking</li> </ul>
<b>Lecturer profile</b>	With a PhD in neuropsychology, Joana Porcel-Carbonell has been working in research management for private and public organisations since 2006. Since 2016, she has been the Coordinator of the Projects Unit at the Barcelona Institute for Global Health (ISGlobal), where she also provides support to researchers on ethics and good scientific practice. In 2018, she was appointed Data Protection Officer of ISGlobal. She's also ethics advisor in European projects and ethics expert at the European Commission for the implementation, evaluation and monitoring of H2020 / Horizon Europe proposals and projects (including ERC, MSCA, HADEA, IHI, EISMEA).

<sup>1</sup> From the Horizon Europe (HORIZON) Programme Guide.