

Vienna, 16th January 2006

Dear Colleagues,

under the auspices of the Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, it is my great pleasure to invite you to the **7th European Forum of National Ethics Councils**, organized by the European Commission and the Austrian Bioethics Commission, which will be held in Vienna on **March 9th and 10th 2006**.

On Thursday March 9th 2006 at 19:00 we are honoured to welcome you for a reception and dinner at the **Federal Chancellery, Representation Rooms**. The meeting on Friday March 10th 2006 will start at 09:00 and will take place at the **Conference Centre Hofburg, Josephsplatz** (former Imperial Palace). Simultaneous interpretation in German, English and French will be available.

Please find enclosed some **Practical Information**, especially regarding registration, accommodation and venues.

The final agenda of the meeting will be submitted as soon as possible.

We would be most grateful if you could confirm your attendance at the 7th Forum NEC at your earliest convenience in the way, indicated in the Practical Information.

We are looking forward to seeing you in Vienna!

Yours sincerely

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Chairman of the
Austrian Bioethics Commission