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**”Human Enhancement: Moral, Religious and Ethical Aspects from a European
Perspective”
A CEC Consultation – Brussels
25 – 27 April 2012**

Planned programme as of 12 December 2011

Wednesday 25 April 2012

10.30 - 12.45: Welcome and registration of participants
13.00 – 14.00: Lunch
14.00 – 15.00: Opening Worship

Introductory session

Moderator: (a) Member of the Preparatory Group

15.00 – 16.30

- Welcome and presentation of the Consultation;
- Opening Statement by His Eminence Metropolitan EMMANUEL OF FRANCE, Head of the Representation of the Ecumenical Patriarchate to the EU in Brussels, President of CEC, on behalf of His All Holiness BARTHOLOMEW, Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople;
- General Introduction by Prof. Dr. Anestis G. KESELOPOULOS, Director of the Department of Ethics and Sociology at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (GR).

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16.30 – 17.00: Coffee break

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First set of issues: *Philosophy and Natural Sciences*

17.00 – 18.30: Introductions by:

- Dr. Roland KIPKE, philosopher (D);
- Prof. Dr. Cees DEKKER, physicist (NL).

18.30 – 20.00: Dinner

19.30 – 21.00: Discussion on the first session

Evening prayer

Thursday 26 April 2012

After breakfast, transfer to the European Parliament (EP).

Second set of issues: *Philosophy and Theology – Pros and Cons*

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10.00 – 11.30: Introductions by:

- Prof. Dr. Ulla SCHMIDT, theologian and ethicist (NO), member of the CPCE Ethics WG;
- Prof. Dr. Janne NIKKINEN, systematic theologian (FIN).

11.30 – 12.00: Coffee break

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Third set of issues: *Individual and Social Ethics – Medical Perspective*

12.00 – 13.30: Introductions by:

- Prof. Dr. Stefanie SCHARDIEN, systematic theologian (D), member of the CPCE Ethics WG;
- N.N., cosmetic surgeon – tbc.

13.30 – 15.00: Lunch in the EP

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Fourth set of issues: *Case Studies*

15.00 – 16.30: Introductions by:

- Prof. Dr. Henriette KRUG, medical doctor and theologian (D);
- Dr Donald BRUCE, managing director of the ethics consultancy Edinethics (UK).

16.30 – 17.00: Coffee break

17.00 – 19.00: Discussion in small groups on *criteria*

19.00: Evening free in Brussels

Return to Chant d'Oiseau.

Friday 27 April 2012

Morning Prayer

9.00 – 10.00: Feedback from the groups

10.00 – 10.30: Coffee break

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10.30 – 12.00: Closing lecture on *contextualisation*
by Präses Nikolaus SCHNEIDER, President of the
Council of the EKD (D) – (tbc)

Followed by a general discussion.

Closing prayers

12.30: Lunch and departure.