

PSYCHOLOGICAL SCIENCE ACCELERATOR ETHICS COMMITTEE CALL FOR NEW MEMBERS

INTRODUCTION: THE PSA Ethics Committee operates within the framework of the Psychological Science Accelerator to ensure high quality assessment and identification of ethical risks or challenges, as well as protection and safeguarding of ethical practices of PSA research projects. In the broadest sense, our committee is responsible to: 1) provide reviews of proposed PSA projects with an eye toward ethics, 2) provide ethics-oriented consultation to selected PSA projects (e.g., co-develop the material to ensure hassle-free approval in the majority of PSA labs), 3) curates ethics procedures towards successful implementation of ongoing PSA projects (especially related to the IRB and ethics review board materials prior to distribution to the larger PSA group), 4) work with other PSA committees to ensure ethical practices. A detailed overview on the committee's objectives and procedures, as well as roles and responsibilities of our members are outlined in our policy guidelines document.

THE CALL: We comprise a group of 6 people (one associate director, two assistant directors and three committee members) and the full list is available in our policy guidelines (on the link above). However, we are predominantly born/based in European or American countries, so we are seeking to improve the diversity, inclusivity and geographical representation within our group, by encouraging applications from researchers born/based in the following regions: Africa, Asia, Australia, Central and South America.

QUALIFICATIONS: The potential candidates should have a PhD degree in any of the psychological disciplines, and a keen interest in the ethical aspects of cross-cultural collaborations. Residing in some of the regions that are outlined above, and completing some form of ethical training or education would be considered as a plus, but are not essential for successful evaluation of the candidates. Once selected, the candidates would be expected to: 1) attend our monthly meetings and participate in joint decision making processes of our committee; 2) comply with the roles and responsibilities that are outlined in our policy document; 3) commit to 2-year engagement with our committee to ensure quality involvement with our PSA applications and studies.

CONTACT: For more information feel free to reach our publicly via our Slack channel (#ethic-committee), or send a direct Slack message to any of our members. Alternatively, you can contact the assistant directors, Mike Mensink (at mensinkm@uwstout.edu) or Biljana Gjoneska (at biljanagjoneska@manu.edu.mk).



SUBMISSION PROCEDURE: All potential candidates are invited to submit a 1-page cover letter (outlining the motives for application) and a short CV (with special emphasis on the involvement in big team science collaborations, as well as various ethical roles and responsibilities throughout the academic career) to Mike Mensink (mensink@uwstout.edu).

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Please submit your application by 23 April (Friday), 18.00 CET. The selection results will be announced by 15 May (Sunday) on our Slack channel, the PSA Newsletter and the individual mails of the selected candidates.

We are expecting you!

PSA Ethics Committee