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**SAVE THE DATE: 14th Global Summit of National Ethics and Bioethics Committees
San Marino, 17-19 April 2024**

Dear Chairs and Representatives of the National Ethics/Bioethics Committees,

As you well know, every two years the Global Summit of National Ethics/Bioethics Committees brings together representatives from National Ethics and Bioethics Committees and other advisory bodies from countries all over the world, representing a unique opportunity to foster international debate and to build consensus on priority issues of global interest in the fields of Bioethics. Now, more than ever, that global cooperation is of the essence.

San Marino is honoured to invite you to **save the date for the 14th Global Summit of National Ethics Committees**, which will take place **from 17 to 19 April 2024 in San Marino**.

The Global Summit 2024 is jointly organized by the San Marino Bioethics Committee and WHO, in collaboration with UNESCO, under the theme ***Crisis, Evolution, Growth: Contributions and Challenges of National Ethics Committees in a world of uncertainty***, and focusing on four main pillars:

- I. Preparing for crises in times of resource shortages: role of National Ethics Committees.
- II. Contributions and challenges of National Ethics Committees in fostering inclusion for persons with disabilities and vulnerable groups.
- III. Striving for equity in the face of medical innovations: how can National Ethics Committees help redress the balance?
- IV. The role of National Ethics Committees in promoting public engagement, dialogue and trust in public health and welfare.

Please note that **this message is informative only and does not, at this point, constitute any kind of formal invitation**. WHO will soon contact their respective partners in each Member State regarding the invitation to nominate their delegations' national representatives.

Further information on the Summit will soon be available at the Global Summit official website:

<https://14globalsummitsanmarino.com/>

We look forward to welcoming you to the Global Summit 2024 in San Marino.

With warmest regards,

Luisa Borgia, Chair
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