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## PRE-CONGRESS WORKSHOP

### HW10 – Making Sense of Ethical, Legal & Social Aspects of Forensic Genetics

**Organisers:** Matthias Wienroth & Gabrielle Samuel

**Type:** Half Day Workshop, Lecture

**Date & Time:** Tuesday, 10 September (14:00-18:00)

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The aim of the workshop is to make accessible to forensic stakeholders the concept of 'ethical, legal and social aspects' of science and technology. We will not discuss ethics approval procedures or health & safety concerns, but instead look at the type of knowledge that ethical, legal and social aspects represent. The ideas of anticipation and responsibility will guide this workshop. In order to equip participants with the tools to explore how such understanding can be applied in making forensic genetics research and technology uses societally and ethically more robust, participants will be supported in engaging in case study work, exploring two very topical emerging forensic technologies and applications in (1) forensic DNA phenotyping, and (2) the searching of public and private genetic databases for investigative purposes.

#### **Methods:**

- Introductory lectures
- Case study work

#### **Objectives:**

- To provide participants with tools for understanding and assessing ethical, legal and social aspects of the development and use of forensic genetics technologies.
- To encourage participants to adopt the principles of anticipation and responsibility to support the management of dilemmas in researching and applying new technologies.

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