47th plenary meeting of the
European Commission's Group of Chief Scientific Advisors (GCSA)
- Agenda-

22-23 January 2026
DG RTD, Square Freres Orban 8, 1049 Brussels
ROOM: 11th floor (22 Jan), 3rd floor room 78 (23 Jan)

Chair: Naomi Ellemers

Thursday, 22 January 2026

Time	Agenda point
10:00 – 11:00 (60 min)	Private meeting of the GCSA
11:00 - 12:30 (90 min)	Joint meeting of the GCSA and the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies (EGE)
12:30 - 13:30 (60 min)	Lunch
13:30 – 14:30 (60 min)	Meeting of the GCSA and EGE with Joanna Drake, Deputy Director- General of DG RTD
14:30 – 15:25 (55 min)	Joint meeting of the GCSA and the EGE, continued
15:25 - 15:45 (20 min)	Coffee break
15:45 – 16:45 (60 min)	Joint meeting of the GCSA and the EGE, continued
16:45 – 18:00 (75 min)	Meeting of the GCSA on Advanced materials (opinion, key messages)

Friday, 23 January 2026

Time	Agenda point
9:00 – 10:30 (90 min)	Plenary of the GCSA Discussion on: - Current and upcoming topics - Outreach of advanced materials opinion - Best practices - Different products - Other
10:30 – 11:00 (30 min)	Coffee break
11:00 – 13:00 (120 min)	Plenary of the GCSA, continued
13:00	Lunch

List of Participants

Group of Chief Scientific Advisors

Naomi Ellemers, Chair;
Adam Izdebski, Deputy Chair;
Remy Slama, Member;
Martin Kahanec, Member;
Mangala Srinivas, Member;
Dimitra Simeonidou, Member;
Rafal Lukasik, Member.

European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies

Barbara Prainsack
Chair
Professor at the Department of Political Science at the University of Vienna.
Director of the Centre for the Study of Contemporary Solidarity (CeSCoS), and of the interdisciplinary Research Platform "Governance of Digital Practices".
Member of the former EGE

Maria do Céu Patrão Neves
Vice-Chair
Professor of Ethics at the University of the Azores.
President of the Portuguese National Council of Ethics for the Life Sciences.
Member of several Ethics Committees, Coordinator of international and national projects on Ethics, Science and Society.

Nils-Eric Sahlin
Vice-Chair
Professor of Medical Ethics, Lund University.
Member of The Royal Swedish Academy of Letters, History and Antiquities.
Chairman of The Swedish Research Council's Expert Group on Ethics.
Member of the former EGE

Nikola Biller-Andorno
Chair of Biomedical Ethics and Director, Institute of Biomedical Ethics and History of Medicine, University of Zurich (UZH), a WHO Collaborating Center for Bioethics.
Vice Dean Innovation and Digitalization, Medical Faculty, UZH (since 2021).

Migle Laukyte
Associate Professor in Artificial Intelligence and Law at the Law Faculty of Pompeu Fabra University in Barcelona (Spain).
Member of the European Group of Blockchain Ethics (EGBE) as part of European Blockchain Service Infrastructure (EBSI).

Paweł Łuków
Dean of the Faculty of Philosophy, University of Warsaw, Poland.
Head of the Committee for the Ethics in Science of the Polish Academy of Science.

Fruzsina Molnár-Gábor
Professor of International Medical and Health Law as well as Data Protection Law at the Faculty of Law at the University of Heidelberg.
Member of Young Academy of the Heidelberg Academy of Sciences and Humanities.
Member of Young Academy of the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and Humanities and the National Academy of Sciences Leopoldina.

Thérèse Murphy
Professor of Law and Director of the Health & Human Rights Unit, Queen's University Belfast.
Chairperson of the European Master's in Human Rights and Democratisation.
Member of Ireland's National Research Ethics Committee on Medical Devices.
Member of the UK's Moral and Ethical Advisory Group.

Tamar Sharon
Professor of Philosophy, Digitalization and Society at Radboud University Nijmegen.
Chair of the Department of Ethics and Political Philosophy.
Co-Director of iHub, the Interdisciplinary Hub for Digitalization and Society.

Marcel Jeroen van den Hoven
University Professor and professor of Ethics and Technology at Delft University of Technology.
Scientific Director of the Delft Design for Values Institute.
Editor in Chief of Ethics and Information Technology (Springer Nature).
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Takis Vidalis
Adjunct Professor at the International Hellenic University of Thessaloniki and the University of Athens.
Senior researcher and legal advisor of the Hellenic National Commission for Bioethics and Technoethics.
Research Ethics Committee President of the National Centre for Scientific Research "Democritos".

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