

## **PROGRAM (*subject to change*)**

**2<sup>ND</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON END-OF-LIFE LAW, ETHICS, POLICY, AND PRACTICE  
HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA  
SEPTEMBER 13 - 15, 2017**

### **Wednesday, September 13, 2017**

HALIFAX CENTRAL LIBRARY, PAUL O'REGAN HALL, 5440 Spring Garden Road, Halifax, NS

7:00 pm **Opening Plenary**  
**The Story of Law Reform in Canada**  
Joe Arvay, Jim Cowan, Mona Gupta

### **Thursday, September 14, 2017** WORLD TRADE AND CONVENTION CENTRE

8:15 am Welcome  
8:30 – 10:00 am **Plenary 2 - Empirical Studies: What do we know about end of life decisions making around the world?**  
Luc Deliens, Linda Ganzini, Bregje Onwuteaka-Philipsen, Lindy Wilmott  
10:00 – 10:20 am Health Break  
10:20 – 11:50 am **Concurrent Paper Sessions**  
11:50 – 12:50 pm Lunch  
12:50 – 1:50 pm **Plenary 3 - Palliative Care and its Relationship with Medical Aid in Dying**  
Kenneth Chambaere, James Downar, Eric Wasylenko  
1:50 – 2:10 pm Health Break  
2:10 – 3:40 pm **Concurrent Paper Sessions**  
3:40 – 4:00 pm Break  
4:00 – 5:00 pm **Plenary 4A - Stopping/Not Starting Potentially Life-Sustaining Treatment: The Issue of Unilateral Decision Making**  
Jennifer Gibson, Hilary Young  
**Plenary 4B – Palliative Sedation**  
Jocelyn Downie, Agnes van der Heide  
5:00 pm Closing Remarks  
6:30 pm for 7:00 pm **Reception and Cash Bar followed by Banquet**

### **Friday, September 15, 2017** WORLD TRADE AND CONVENTION CENTRE

8:15 am Welcome  
8:30 – 10:00 am **Plenary 5 - Legal Status of Assisted Dying**  
Joan M. Gilmour, Maria M. Gomez, Emily Jackson, Ben White  
10:00 – 10:20 am Health Break  
10:20 – 11:50 am **Concurrent Paper Sessions**  
11:50 – 12:50 pm Lunch  
12:50 – 2:20 pm **Concurrent Paper Sessions**  
2:20 – 2:40 pm Health Break  
2:40-4:40 pm **Plenary 6 - Pressure Points for Eligibility for Medical Assistance in Dying (mature minors, mental illness as sole underlying condition, advance requests)**  
Jennifer Chandler, Christine Chambers, Justine Dembo, Jennifer Gibson, Joan M. Gilmour, Ken Rockwood  
4:40 pm Closing Remarks