ESTonia

- 1918-1940; 1991-...
- 1.3 M inhabitants, 45,339 km²
- Estonian language (0.9 M)
- GDP 23.6 BEUR, R&D expenditure 304 MEUR
- 7 Universities, 13 other evaluated R&D institutions, appr. 4,000 researchers (FTE)
- Estonian Research Council (www.etag.ee)
- Estonian Research Information System (www.etis.ee)
Research Ethics in Estonia (1/2)

Committees that provide oversight over research
• Research Ethics Committee of the University of Tartu
• Tallinn Medical Research Ethics Committee
• Project Authorisation Committee for Animal Experiments

Clinical ethics committees
• Ethics Committee of the Tallinn Children’s Hospital
• Ethics Committee of the Tartu University Hospital

Other ethics committees
• Ethics Committee of the Estonian Medical Association
• Health Information System Ethics Committee
• Ethics Committee of the Association of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers in Estonia
• Ethics Committee of the Estonian Social Work Association

...coordinated by the Estonian Council on Bioethics
See further: https://www.eetika.ee/en/ethics-estonia-0
Research Ethics in Estonia (2/2)

OK or not OK?

OK
• Ressources
• Feeling of ownership (?)
• No severer scandals yet

Not OK
• Overview
• Awareness and knowledge/know-how
• Support
• Transparency
• Equality