

CENTRE DE RECHERCHE EN ETHIQUE

## **ACTIVITY REPORT 2022-2023 - IN BRIEF**

May 1, 2022, to April 30, 2023

This year was marked by the beginning of the mandate of Ryoa Chung (UdeM) and Kristin Voigt (McGill) as Co-Directors of the CRÉ (since January 1, 2022), as well as the appointment of Valéry Giroux (UdeM) as Associate Director. It was also the year of the arrival of Éliot Litalien as coordinator of the CRÉ and the journal *Les Ateliers de l'éthique/The Ethics Forum*, as well as Denise Celentano (UdeM) as co-director of the Ethics and Economics axis.

The Executive Committee was made up of the co-directors of the five research axes:

Fundamental Ethics: Mauro Rossi (UQAM) and Natalie Stoljar (McGill)

Ethics and Politics: Christian Nadeau (UdeM) and Pablo Gilabert (Concordia) Ethics and Economics: Dominic Martin (UQÀM) and Denise Celentano (UdeM)

Ethics and Environment: Kristin Voigt (McGill) and Antoine C. Dussault (Cégep Lionel-Groulx)

Ethics and Health: Vardit Ravitsky (UdeM) and Daniel Weinstock (McGill)

Administration and coordination were ensured by Valéry Giroux and Éliot Litalien, as well as by Martin Gibert, a researcher in the ethics of artificial intelligence, who links the CRÉ to the Institute for Data Valorization (IVADO).

The three flagship research themes at CRÉ were:

Ethics of Artificial Intelligence, lead by Dominic Martin (UQÀM), assisted by Martin Gibert (CRÉ/IVADO);

Feminist Ethics, co-lead by Naïma Hamrouni (UQTR) and Ryoa Chung (UdeM);

Antiracism and Decolonization, lead by Yann Allard-Tremblay (McGill).

In addition to the 72 CRÉ co-researchers, the 2022-23 rotating team was comprised of 8 invited researchers: Frank Aragbonfoh Abumere (The Abuja School), Pablo Gilabert (Concordia), Allen Habib (U. of Calgary), Fernando Hellmann (Federal University of Santa Catarina), Eduardo Johannes Kniess (Newcastle U.), Yael Peled (Max-Planck Institute), Miriam Schleifer McCormick (U. of Richmond) and Amy Jennifer Reed-Sandoval (University of Nevada); 24 postdocs: Frauke Albersmeier, Ido Alon, Emil Andersson, Federica Berdini, Lila Braunschweig, Axel Constant, Charles Côté-Bouchard, George Deane, Sujaya Dhanvantari, Rodrigo Díaz, Anne-Marie Gagné-Julien, Ugo Gilbert Tremblay, Anne Iavarone-Turcotte, Zoey Lavallee, Max Lewis, Éliot Litalien, Fernanda Pérez Gay Juárez, Jules Salomone-Sehr, Olusegun Steven Samuel, Laura Silva, Saaz Taher, Agnes Tam, Camille Ternier and Didier Zúñiga; 7 graduate fellows: Frédérique Drouin (Master's, UdeM), Dean Joseph (Master's, Concordia), Alexia Leclerc (Master's, McGill), Robyn Mellett (Master's, McGill), Yanie Pierre-Jérôme (Ph.D., UdeM), Sandrine Renaud (Ph.D., UQTR) and Jordan Walters (Ph.D., McGill); as well as 2 researchers on a research stay: Amah Thomas Adetou (University of Strasbourg/UdeM), and Nolwenn Veillard (University of Rennes).

Among the scientific activities held during the 2022-2023 academic year, let us mention the major symposium "Sovereignty, Autonomy And Multinational Federalism" (September 18-20, 2022) organized for the CRÉ by Xavier Boileau (PhD student, UdeM) assisted by Ryoa Chung (UdeM), Marc-Antoine Dilhac (UdeM) and Daniel Weinstock (McGill) and during which 11 of the 16 presentations were given by CRE co-researchers; the "Race and Epistemologies of Ignorance" conference (April 24-26, 2023) launched by the main lecture given by Luvell Anderson (Syracuse University), organized by postdoctoral researcher Saaz Taher and attended by our members Amandine Catala (UQÀM), Yann Allard-Tremblay (McGill), Agnès Berthelot-Raffard (York U.) and Ryoa Chung (UdeM); as well as the holding of the workshop "Vaccine Hesitancy: Science and Society" on April 27, 2023, in which Anne-Marie Gagné-Julien (CRE postdoc), Fernanda Pérez-Gay Juarez (CRE postdoc), Ian Gold (McGill), Kristin Voigt (McGill), Matthew Hunt (McGill), Luc Faucher (UQÀM), Daniel Weinstock (McGill) and Ryoa Chung UdeM) participated.

Let us also think of the conference "Transcending Settler Colonialism: Decolonization, Reconciliation, and Transformation" (May 26-27), organized with the participation of the CRÉ and attended by Didier Zuniga (CRE postdoc), Catherine Lu (McGill), Yann Allard-Tremblay (McGill) and Ryoa Chung (UdeM); the 3-day international workshop (August 15-17, 2022) entitled "Power and Domination", with Arash Abizadeh (McGill), Dominique Leydet (UQÀM), Éliot Litalien (postdoc, CRÉ), Pablo Gilabert (Concordia), William Clare Roberts (McGill), Yann Allard-Tremblay (McGill), Daniel Marc Weinstock (McGill) and Ryoa Chung (UdeM); the roundtable "Sciences, médias & démocratie", held on June 22, 2022, organized by Ryoa Chung (CRÉ) and Matthew Hunt (Quebec Population Health Research Network) which brought together, with Matthieu Dugal and Marie Lambert-Chan, our researchers Jocelyn Maclure (McGill), Vardit Ravitsky (UdeM) and Daniel Weinstock (McGill); the symposium "Repenser le consentement" (October 12-13, 2022), organized by Naïma Hamrouni (UQTR) with Amandine Catala (UQAM), Ryoa Chung (UdeM), Lila Braunschweig (postdoc, CRÉ), Anne Iavarone-Turcotte (postdoc, CRÉ), Cécile Gagnon (PhD, UdeM) and Marie-Anne Perreault (Master's, UdeM); or the 4th CRÉ/OBVIA day in AI ethics (February 3, 2023), organized by Hazar Haidar (UQAR) and Martin Gibert (CRÉ/OBVIA), on the theme of affective computing and attended by 12 external speakers and 4 members of the CRÉ - Martin Gibert (CRÉ/OBVIA); Dominic Martin (UQÀM); Joé Martineau (HEC); and Thomas Adetou (student member of the CRÉ).

Of course, these activities represent only a fraction of all the scientific events organized by the CRÉ or in which the center's researchers have participated. For a complete list of the CRÉ's activities held during the reporting period, see the full report online, on the ERC website: <a href="www.lecre.umontreal.ca">www.lecre.umontreal.ca</a>, under the "Mission" tab, then "Activity Reports".

## Our activities in figures

- 7 major symposia
- **12** study days, workshops or round tables
- **23** Ethics Lunches (presentations by researchers from the rotating team)
- **18** presentations by invited speakers
- **9** thematic lecture series
- 4 days/seminars of graduate fellows
- **5** GRIN activities
- **5** activities of the GRÉEA
- 3 presentations available on Radio-CRÉ