Eurostars ethics issues table

This document is designed to help applicants in getting proposals "ethics-ready" for Eurostars 3 programme (i.e. to identify and deal correctly with any ethics issues that may arise).
The Eurostars ethics issues table needs to be upload in question 14. Ethics in the Eurostars Application form.

For any question or doubt please write an email to: ethics@eurostars-eureka.eu

Please insert the following information: ID number: Acronym of your project:		YES/No		Question in Application form
1. HUMAN EMBRYONIC STEM CELLS AND HUMAN EMBRYOS				
Does your research involve Human Embryonic Stem Cells (hESCs)?		☐	☐	
If **YES**:	Will they be directly derived from embryos within this project?	☐	☐	
	Are they previously established cells lines?	☐	☐	
	Are the cell lines registered in the European registry for human embryonic stem cell lines?	☐	☐	
Does your research involve the use of human embryos?		☐	☐	
If **YES**:	Will the research lead to their destruction?	☐	☐	
2.HUMANS				
Does your research involve human participants?		☐	☐	
If **YES:**	Are they volunteers for social or human sciences research?	☐	☐	
	Are they persons unable to give informed consent (including children/minors)?	☐	☐	
	Are the vulnerable individuals or groups?	☐	☐	
	Are they children/minors?	☐	☐	

	Are they patients for medical studies?	☐	☐	
	Are they healthy volunteers for medical studies?	☐	☐	
Does your research involve physical interventions on the study participants?		☐	☐	
If **YES**:	Does it involve invasive techniques (*e.g. collection of humans cells or tissues, surgical or medical interventions, invasive studies on the brain, TMS etc.*)?	☐	☐	
	Does it involve collection of biological samples?	☐	☐	
Does your research involve conducting a clinical study as defined by the Clinical Trial Regulation (EU 356/2014) ? (using pharmaceuticals, biologicals, radiopharmaceuticals, or advanced therapy medicinal products)		☐	☐	
If **YES**:	Is it a clinical trial?	☐	☐	
	Is it a low intervention clinical trial?	☐	☐	
3.HUMAN CELLS / TISSUES				
Does your research involve human cells or tissues (other than from Human Embryos/Foetuses)?		☐	☐	
If **YES:**	Are they human embryonic or foetal cells or tissues?	☐	☐	
	Are they available commercially?	☐	☐	
	Are they obtained within this project?	☐	☐	

	Are they obtained from another project, laboratory or institution?	☐	☐	
	Are they obtained from a biobank?	☐	☐	
4.PROTECTION OF PERSONAL DATA				
Does your research involve personal data collection and/or processing?		☐	☐	
If **YES:**	Does it involve the collection or processing of sensitive personal data *(e.g. health, sexual lifestyle, ethnicity, political opinion, religious or philosophical conviction)?*	☐	☐	
	Does it involve processing of genetic information?	☐	☐	
	Does it involve tracking or observation of participants *(e.g. surveillance or localization data, and Wan data, such as IP address, MACs, cookies etc.)?*	☐	☐	
Does your research involve further processing of previously collected personal data (secondary use) *(including use of pre-existing data sets or sources merging existing data sets, sharing data with non-EU member states)?*		☐	☐	
It is planned to export personal data from the EU to non-EU countries?		☐	☐	
If **YES:**	**Specify the type of personal data and countries involved:**			
It is planned to import personal data from the EU to non-EU countries?		☐	☐	.
If **YES:**	**Specify the type of personal data and countries involved:**			
Does your research involve the processing of personal data related to criminal convictions or offences?		☐	☐	
5.ANIMALS				
Does your research involve animals?		☐	☐	

If **YES:**	Are they vertebrates?	☐	☐	
	Are they non-human primates (NHP) (e.g. monkeys, chimpanzees, gorillas, etc.?)	☐	☐	
	Are they genetically modified?	☐	☐	
	Are they cloned farm animals?	☐	☐	
	Are they an endangered species?	☐	☐	
6.NON-EU COUNTRIES				
Will some of the activities be carried out in non-EU countries? *Specify countries involved:*		☐	☐	
In case non-EU countries are involved, do the research related activities undertaken in these countries raise potential ethics issues? *Specify countries involved:*		☐	☐	
Is it planned to use local resources *(e.g. animal and/or human tissue samples, genetic material, live animals, human remains, materials of historical value, endangered fauna or flora samples, etc.)?*		☐	☐	
Is it planned to import any material – other than data - from non-EU countries into the EU or from a non-EU country to another non-EU country?		☐	☐	
If **YES:**	Specify the materials and countries involved:	☐	☐	
Is it planned to export any material – other than data - from the EU to non-EU countries?		☐	☐	
If **YES:**	Specify material and countries involved:	☐	☐	
In case research research involves low and/or lower-middle income countries, are benefits-sharing actions planned?		☐	☐	

Could the situation in the country put the individuals taking part in the research at risk?	☐	☐	
7.ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY			
Does your research involve the use of elements that may cause harm to the environment, to animals or plants?	☐	☐	
Does your research deal with endangered fauna and/or flora and/or protected areas?	☐	☐	
Does your research involve the use of elements that may cause harm to humans, including research staff?	☐	☐	
8. ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE			
Does your research involve the development, deployment and/or use of Artificial Intelligence?	☐	☐	
9. DUAL USE			
Does this research involve dual-use items in the sense of Regulation 428/2009 or other items for which an authorisation is required?	☐	☐	
10. EXCLUSIVE FOCUS ON CIVILIAN APPLICATIONS			
Could your research raise concerns regarding the exclusive focus on civil applications?	☐	☐	
11.MISUSE			
Does your research have a potential for misuse for research results?	☐	☐	
If **YES** **Does the activity provide knowledge, materials and technologies that could be channelled into crime and/or terrorism?**	☐	☐	
If **YES** **Could the activity result in the development of chemical, biological, radiological or nuclear weapons and the means for their delivery ?**	☐	☐	
11. OTHER ETHICS ISSUES			
Are there any other ethics issues that should be taken into consideration?	☐	☐	

Please specify:			