



Sino-EU PerMed ELSA Clover Leaf Tour to China

A delegation of experts in the field of ethical, legal, and social aspects in Personalised Medicine, alongside five project partners from the Sino-Eu PerMed consortium, recently concluded a successful visit to China in April 2024. The visit, organized by DLR-PT in collaboration with Innovation Center Denmark, was a fact-finding mission focused on ELSA in the field of Personalized Medicine.

During their visit, the delegation had the opportunity to explore renowned Personalized Medicine research organizations, companies, and hospitals in Beijing, Guangzhou, and Shenzhen. Institutions visited included the Ethics Committee at Peking University, BeiGene, Novo Nordisk, Guangzhou Institutes for Biomedicine and Health, Sun Yat-sen University, Cancer Hospital, Hong Kong University Shenzhen Hospital, and BGI. The European experts who participated in the delegation came from Denmark, Germany, Great Britain, France, and Germany.

The delegation proved to be extremely informative and insightful. The delegation had the opportunity to engage in lively discussions that covered various aspects of personalized medicine, including ethical implications, legal considerations, and social impact.

During these discussions, experts from both regions shared their knowledge, experiences, and viewpoints, which helped to deepen understanding. The exchange of ideas and perspectives during the visit was invaluable, as it provided new insights and enhanced the participants' appreciation of the complexities and challenges involved in implementing personalized medicine approaches.

Overall, the visit was a productive and enriching experience for all involved, and it laid the groundwork for a policy brief which will be published in June 2024. This Policy Brief will draw on the insights and recommendations shared during the visit and will serve as a roadmap for policymakers, healthcare providers, and researchers to navigate the ethical, legal, and social complexities of personalized medicine.

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