

## **ELENA M. POSTIGO SOLANA - SHORT BIO**

### **1. EDUCATION:** *Spanish Schooling & Italian College and PhD*

I was raised in Madrid, Spain, and graduated there. Then I moved to Italy where I majored in Philosophy at the Sacro Cuore University of Milan and from there to Rome, Italy, to study with Professor Elio Sgreccia my PhD in Bioethics with a dissertation on "The Mind-Body Problem, Brain Death and Its Bioethical Implications". This I defended at the Roman Catholic University of the Sacred Heart of Rome, Italy, in 2000.

### **2. POSITIONS:** *5 Universities in Italy and Spain, as Faculty Member and as Management*

Shortly before my dissertation I was associated with the Gemelli University in Rome, Italy, where I taught Bioethics for one year and then, after being awarded my PhD and back in Spain, I taught Ethics to undergraduates and Bioethics to PhD students at the University of Navarre in Pamplona for two years before moving again to Madrid.

Since 2002 I have been associated to CEU San Pablo University in Madrid, Spain, where I now live. Here I have been both a Faculty Member and part of the Management Board. As regards the former, I am Assistant Professor of Philosophy to the present day and as the latter, University Vice Chancellor for Research between 2009 and 2011.

As from 2008 I am Associate Professor at the Juan Carlos I University in Madrid, Spain, wherein I have taken part in the yearly Bioethics Masters Programme. Since 2013 I am also Associate Professor of Bioethics and Moral Philosophy at the Pontifical University of Salamanca, Spain, wherein I teach one day a week.

### **3. RESEARCH:** *3 International Visiting Stays on the same research topic.*

Since 2002 I have been a Visiting Professor and Researcher several times (once in 2012) at my *alma mater* in Milan, Italy, and twice –in 2006 and 2012– at Oxford University in England at the invitation of the "Oxford Uehiro Centre for practical Ethics".

Currently I am conducting a research study on the Bioethics of Enhancement, Transhumanism and Human Nature. Right now this potentially influential contemporary line of thought constitutes my main source of academic interest.

### **4. HONOURS:** *3 Appointments, in Spain and Italy.*

In 2003 I was elected for the position of Secretary General to AEBI (the Spanish Association of Bioethics), an appointment that has been electorally confirmed every four years since then up to now. In 2005 I was awarded a membership to the Pontifical Academy Pro Vita at the Vatican, and also to the Scientific Board of the Ateneo di Bioética of the Sacro Cuore in Milan, Italy.

## Elena M. Postigo Solana, PhD – Breve CV

- 1. Títulos Académicos:** estudió Filosofía en la Universidad del Sacro Cuore de Milán (Italia). Se licenció con una tesis sobre la “Filosofía de la Persona”. Posteriormente se especializó en Ética y Ciencias con una tesina sobre “La relación ética-técnica en Hans Jonas. Ética de la responsabilidad”. Obtuvo el Doctorado en Bioética en la Universidad del Sacro Cuore de Roma (Facultad A. Gemelli) en el año 2000 con la tesis doctoral titulada: *Il problema mente-cervello: la morte e il concetto di morte cerebrale. Ricerche empiriche, filosofiche e bioetiche*, dirigida por el Prof. E. Sgreccia.
- 2. Puestos académicos:** fue *Assistente* de Bioética en el Gemelli de Roma (Italia) y Prof. Ayudante de Ética y Fundamentos de Bioética en el Departamento de Filosofía de la Universidad de Navarra. Actualmente es Profesora Adjunta de Antropología y Bioética en la Universidad CEU San Pablo de Madrid. Es docente de Fundamentos de Bioética en varios Másteres oficiales de Bioética y Profesora Asociada de la Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca desde 2012 (Ética y Bioética).
- 3. Investigación y Publicaciones:** coeditora de varios libros (*Vivir y Morir con Dignidad, Bioética personalista. Ciencia y Controversias*), ha publicado numerosos artículos sobre temas de Fundamentación bioética y de bioética especial. Desde 2007 investiga sobre el paradigma Transhumanista, sus fundamentos filosóficos e implicaciones bioéticas, sobre Ética del *Enhancement*, *Moral Enhancement* y naturaleza humana. Colabora con varios proyectos de investigación sobre Bioética, fundamentos filosóficos y naturaleza humana. Es Miembro del Comité Editorial de las Revistas: “Cuadernos de Bioética” (España) y “Bioética y Persona” (Colombia).
- 4. Otras actividades académicas:** Miembro del Comité de Ética de la Universidad CEU San Pablo desde 2007. Vicerrectora de Investigación de la Universidad CEU San Pablo 2009-2011. Secretaria General de AEBI (Asociación Española de Bioética y Ética Médica) desde 2003. Miembro correspondiente de la Pontificia Academia *pro Vita* desde 2005. Fue *Academic Visitor* de la Universidad de Oxford en 2006 e *Independent Researcher* del *Oxford Uehiro Center for Practical Ethics* en 2012. *Visiting Professor* y Miembro del Comité Científico del Centro di Ateneo di Bioética de la Università del Sacro Cuore de Milán (Italia) desde 2011.