During 2016, ELSI2.0 continued to build connections between international researchers interested in the ethical, legal and social implications of research in the life sciences. The highlight of our year was our international symposium entitled ‘Exploring International Policy Development in Regenerative Medicine’ which was held alongside the 13th World Congress of Bioethics, Edinburgh, 14 June 2016, and organised in conjunction with the EU FP7 project EUCelLEX (https://www.eucellex.eu/). In addition ELSI2.0 was a proud supporter of the IAB meeting, with the event attracting a number of new members and enabling existing members an opportunity to meet and discuss their research.

Publication of a thematic collection of articles relating to the meeting in BioMed Central testifies to the success of the symposium in stimulating ongoing collaboration. Citations of articles included in the thematic issue are given below. The open access collection can be viewed online at https://www.biomedcentral.com/collections/translationelsi

During the latter part of the year attention was focussed towards redesign of the communities’ framework for collaboration. Members are encouraged to participate in Making Connections groups, which can be set up and led by any member and provide a forum for discussion of topical ELSI research. Details of ongoing activity and how to set up a new Making Connections group are available on the Network’s website: https://elsi2workspace.tghn.org/making-connections/

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