Ethics: Seminar 2

Ethical problem

- Ethical problem: Include famous professor’s name in grant application
- Problem owner: The applying professor
- Gain: If we get the money we can do “good” research that can contribute to society.
Will there be any ethical problems or conflicts in the research group?

- Group members may feel that it is wrong
- Group members may feel discredited and distrusted
Will your decision or solution cause any ethical problems or conflicts?

- Lying
- Denying other projects funding
- Contributing to an unethical culture
Are there any alternatives to your solution?

- Not include the famous professor’s name
- Propose a collaboration
What groups, individuals, organisations, etc, will in any way be affected by or have a stake in the development, use, application or mere existence of your decision and solution?

- Negative: Our research group, other research groups, funding agencies
- Positive: Our research group, funding agencies, target group
What values etc. are involved in the use of your solution and of the possible alternatives? What effects will it have on each of these values?

- Research group reputation
- Research group funding
- Well-being of some people (our target group)
- Funding agency reputation
What will you do to make sure that the use of the solution will be optimal with regards to ethical aspects?

- Adding famous professor’s name favors our group and the target group
- Not adding famous professor’s name favors other group
- Collaboration favors research society
Thanks!