The Institute of Biological Engineering
Announces the 2010-2011
Bioethics Essay Contest
for undergraduate and graduate students

Submit a 1000 to 1200 word, original essay on the following bioethics topic by October 1, 2010, to be part of this year’s contest.

**TOPIC:** You are assigned the responsibility to make decisions for allocating national resources on research related to biological engineering that will shape overall progress in the world for the next fifty years. You have to set national priority and grant limited funds for research to develop technology focused either on (1) problems customized for individuals (e.g., medical advances for individuals) or 2) problems that affect communities (e.g., food, water, energy and public health) and bring broader societal changes. Which approach will you choose and why?

Five semifinalists will be selected and invited by January 7, 2011, to read their winning essays at the 2011 Annual Meeting of the Institute of Biological Engineering (IBE) to be held March 3-5, 2011, in Atlanta, GA. The final ranking of the essay will be determined after the reading of the essays at the Annual Meeting. The top three winners will receive cash awards of $150 for first place, $100 for second place, and $75 for third place. The first place essay will be reviewed for possible publication in the *Journal of Biological Engineering*, the official journal of IBE.

Entries should be submitted in Word or PDF format to the following email address: essay@ibe.org. Undergraduate and graduate students may enter the contest. By submitting, you are agreeing to attend the 2011 IBE Annual Meeting and provide your own travel expenses if you are selected as a semifinalist. IBE will provide complimentary Annual Meeting registration for all five semifinalists. All essays must include title, author’s full name, program of study, degree you are seeking, name of the institution, daytime telephone number, email address, and mailing address.

Entries will be submitted to a plagiarism-checking service. IBE reserves the right to disqualify any entry judged as non-original or any entry over 1200 words. All winning essays will become the property of IBE. IBE is not responsible for any possible difficulties in submission. Only winners will be notified of results.

Register for the 2011 IBE annual meeting at: www.ibe.org
Registration for the meeting will begin in October.

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