



AUTHORS' GUIDELINES

Publication Profile:

The ELSA Law Review (ELR) is founded upon the vision of ELSA: '*A just world in which there is respect for human dignity and cultural diversity*'. The focus of the ELR is Human Rights Law in an international context, with a differing focus for each publication from 2019 onwards.

The ELSA Law Review aims to be a forum for discussion between ELSA's young Law students and lawyers, and experts within the field. The goal is to facilitate dynamic and unique visions on Human Rights and all branches that it encompasses.

Editorial Board:

The Editorial Board of the ELSA Law Review consists of 3 people. The Vice President for Academic Activities of ELSA's International Board (academicactivities@elsa.org), the Editor-in-chief (elr@elsa.org) and the Academic Patron (p@elsa.org) oversee the quality and vision of the ELR.

Publication frequency

The ELSA Law Review shall be published annually by ELSA's International Board.

Submission Requirements

The Submission shall:

1. Use British English (-ise, -isation, etc.)
2. Have a word count between 2.500 and 7.500 words
3. Have a topic relevant to Human Rights Law in international context
4. Not have been published elsewhere
5. Include a short abstract (max 10% of main text) and short bio of the author (max 100 words)
6. Be submitted in .doc or .docx form
7. Use OSCOLA referencing style in footnotes (no bibliography)

Any submissions not meeting the abovementioned criteria shall not be taken into consideration during the initial assessment phase nor the peer reviewing. The criteria used by the Editorial Board during the initial assessment phase shall be the following:





Assessment criteria

Relevance

- Is the topic relevant to (international) Human Rights Law?
- Does the Submission make an original contribution to that particular field of law?
- Is the subject current and/or will the Submission capture the target audience's attention?

Structure and Style

- Does the Article adhere to the Style Guide?
- Do the title and abstract accurately reflect the contents of the article?
- Is there a clear cohesion between sections (introduction, main body, conclusion) and between sentences and paragraphs?

Use of Language

- Is there correct and consistent use of British English?
- Is there accurate use of Legal English ('legalese')?
- Has the author used simple English wherever possible? (readability)

Sources and Referencing

- Is there an appropriate range of sources?
- Has the author complied with OSCOLA?
- Is there any evidence of plagiarism?





Timeline

Call for Submissions	Call for all ELSA Members and other interested parties to submit their writing.
Initial assessment	The Editorial Board selects suitable Submissions for the Peer Review.
Peer review	Catholica Global School of Law is the ELR's Academic Partner and provides a blind peer review of all Articles.
Selection	Based on the initial assessment and the comments from the peer review, the Submission are selected for the ELR.
Revisions	The authors will have time to revise their Submission following the feedback as provided.
Final draft	The Submissions are compiled and typeset in cooperation with Wolf Legal Publishers, our Publishing Partner.
Publication	The ELSA Law Review is published digitally as well as physically.

