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1. Foreword

The European Human Rights Moot Court Competition is the annual international contest intended to showcase the human rights activities of the Council of Europe, highlighting in particular the European Convention on Human Rights.

This ground-breaking agreement has huge legal and political reach. Since 1953 it has not only set out basic human rights for individuals but also allowed them to bring a case against their state to the European Court of Human Rights. Moreover, the EHRC text has served as a model for drafting many domestic constitutions and laws.

Over time, the Convention, the Court, its case-law and its monitoring organs became a unique, continent-wide system granting all Europeans the same legal protection against state abuses and contributing to an improved climate of confidence between populations and their governments.

The Convention has evolved over the years and has been frequently revised, with new protocols added to enlarge the scope of human rights, reflecting changes in society. Although signed 66 years ago, the Convention is more than ever a document for our times.

The 7th edition of the EHRMCC took place in April 2019 coinciding with the 60th anniversary of the European Court of Human Rights, the main *juris corpus* of the Council of Europe. Created with the aim of countering the threat of totalitarianism, the Court has been a bastion of human rights in Europe, as a last resort for millions of people struggling for justice.

The Council of Europe takes a proactive role in encouraging the understanding and application of the Convention and of the Court's case law throughout Europe. We organise seminars for law practitioners, publicise the judgments in the media and on our own website. These activities help guide the gradual emergence of common interpretations and common standards for the legal protection of human rights.

This is why the Council of Europe highly values and gives its strongest support to the European Human Rights Moot Court Competition organised by ELSA, the European Law Students' Association. We consider that this demanding contest is particularly useful and meaningful as it allows law students to familiarise themselves with the Strasbourg legal system and the legal justice that our parents and grandparents fought to obtain.

The relevance of this project is also well understood by the Council of Europe's member states which supported the 2019 edition of the EHRMCC with significant grants. We therefore sincerely

thank the governments of Finland, Ireland, Poland, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey as well as the City of Strasbourg for their generous contributions, which have allowed this competition to take place under the best conditions.



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2. Overview of the Competition

The seventh European Human Rights Moot Court Competition was launched on the 26th of September 2018. The case was written by Zuzana Kovalova and Slavica Cubric, and concerned the cyber harassment, hate speech and gender equality. The 7th Edition boasted a total number of 106 applications, from 29 different countries.

Team registration was possible until the 18th of November 2018, after which the teams had the time to submit clarification questions regarding the case until the 21st of November 2018. The competition is two-fold: firstly, there is a Europe-wide written phase in which the teams have to send in Written Submissions for the Applicant and the Respondent. The teams had until the 23rd of December to submit their Written Submissions, after which human rights experts from diverse backgrounds double scored each Written Submission. This resulted in an average score of 4 gradings (two scores for their Applicant Written Submission, and two scores for their Respondent Written Submission). These scores were announced on the 1st of March 2019, allowing us to announce the 20 best teams that were selected for the Final Oral Round in Strasbourg.

The teams had the chance to practice their pleading on the newly introduced Pre-Rounds. These rounds were of non-eliminary nature, and therefore just provided a platform for students to prepare for their potential selection to plead in Strasbourg. The 7th Edition had 3 Pre-Rounds; Graz (Austria), London (United Kingdom) and Odessa (Ukraine). We thank the organisers, supporters and participants for making the Pre-Rounds such a great success. Given the overwhelmingly positive feedback, the 8th EHRMCC will officially include Regional Rounds in order to select the best teams for the Final Oral Round in 2020.

The best 20 teams of the 7th Edition were invited to the Final Oral Round in Strasbourg, where we had the pleasure of hosting approximately 90 participants from 13 different countries. The



Final Oral Round was opened with the wonderful Opening Ceremony, hosted by Mr Manuel Montobbio, the Ambassador of Spain. The order of the Preliminary Rounds was drawn there, and the next day the teams were welcomed at the Palais de l'Europe for their first pleadings. The Reception at the beautiful venue of the City Hall of Strasbourg, hosted by the City of Strasbourg, was the place where the Quarter-Finalists were announced. After the Quarter Finals took place in the Palais de l'Europe, we held a small panel discussion with several Human Rights experts, who were able to give the students a practical insight in to the possibilities and practicalities of working in the Human Rights field. At the end of the panel, the Semi-Finalists were announced. The next morning, the Semi-Finalists made their way to the European Court of Human Rights, and after their pleading, the Finalists were announced in the Press Room of the Court. The Finalists plead in the Salle d'Audience (the room where the real ECtHR holds sessions), before the Bench of the Grand Final, presided by Ms Zuzana Kovalova, one of the case authors of this edition. The Closing Ceremony took place in the Salle d'Audience as well, and we are very grateful for the excellencies, experts and representations, as well as Mr Daniel Höltingen for his expert moderation of the proceedings. The Winners were announced by Ms Kovalova, and our esteemed supporters were represented by Alberto Antón (on behalf of Spain), Anna Begemann (on behalf of Switzerland), Laura Dagg (on behalf of Ireland), Maciej Janczak (on behalf of Poland), Kaan Esener (on behalf of Turkey) Ms Satu Mattila-Budich, the Ambassador of Finland, was our host for an amazing Final Reception, in the building of the Court.

The Case, the best Written Submissions and other important material from the 7th Edition may be found on our website, ehrmcc.elsa.org.

3. Written Round

In order to qualify for the Final Oral Round in Strasbourg, the teams dispatched their Written Submissions both for the Applicant and the Respondent.

The Judges, consisting of Human Rights experts from all over Europe, has assessed their Written Submissions from January to February. The scores were given in two rounds; one round roughly in January, one round roughly in February. This allowed us to have each Written Submission scored by two different Judges. Out of the 106 teams that have completed the registration procedure, 59 teams have sent their Written Submissions in time. Following the calculation of the scores in the last week of February 2019, the scores were announced on the 1st of March 2019. Please find below the tables indicating the scores and ranking of each team. The Overall Score is calculated as follows:

$$(Judge\ 1\ Applicant\ Written\ Submission + Judge\ 2\ Applicant\ Written\ Submission + Judge\ 1\ Respondent\ Written\ Submission + Judge\ 2\ Respondent\ Submission) / 4 - Penalty\ Points.$$

Team	WS APP J1	WS APP J2	WS RES J1	WS RES J2	TOTAL (incl Penalties)
1	23	24.25	21.25	21.75	20.0625

5	38.5	26.25	36.25	24	30.75
6	34.75	26	31	25.5	28.8125
8	22	21	31.5	25	22.375
9	37.75	30	32.75	31.75	31.5625
10	28	18	20.25	23.5	21.9375
11	39	35.5	38.5	31.25	35.0625
13	30.5	32.5	38.75	29	32.1875
14	24.5	34	29.25	16.25	25.5
15	30	38.75	17.25	22.5	24.125
17	16.25	39	40	28.5	27.9375
18	11	8	10	33.75	15.6875
19	15.5	38	35.5	22	26.25
20	13.25	15.5	8.25	29.5	13.625
21	31.75	37	24.5	18.5	25.9375
24	30	21.25	28.25	34	26.875
27	34	36.25	29.25	32.5	31.5
29	15	29.75	15.25	11.25	16.3125
33	27.75	26.5	17.75	31.5	23.875
34	24.25	23	28.5	26	24.9375
35	26.75	37.75	23	25	27.625
36	31.5	28	21.25	34	27.6875
37	16	26.25	26.5	25.75	23.125
38	33	23.5	11.75	22	21.5625
39	16.25	26	26.5	23.5	20.0625
41	21	34.25	32	21	22.5625
42	29.5	38.5	32.75	31.5	33.0625
44	21.75	29.25	30.25	31.75	27.75
45	31.5	22.25	25	29.25	25.5
46	21.5	37	13.5	33.5	25.875
47	11.75	16.74	18	18.25	12.685
48	28.75	30.25	34.25	32.5	29.4375
49	22	25	11.25	20.75	18.25
50	30.75	11.75	30.25	28.25	22.75
53	27	14.75	18.75	26.25	17.6875
54	25.75	31.25	23.25	31.25	25.375
56	11.25	11.25	10.75	10	8.3125
57	23	35.75	20	22.5	24.8125
59	37	32	20	30	28.25
60	30	40	37.75	25	32.6875
65	20	21.5	10	21.5	15.75

67	39	39.5	30	37.75	35.5625
68	36.5	35.5	20	30.5	29.125
69	10	26.5	23.5	30.25	17.0625
70	28.5	31	32.5	33	30.75
72	35.25	33.5	34.5	32	33.3125
74	21.75	29.75	18	29.5	20.75
76	20.5	29.5	21	31.25	19.0625
78	28.5	32.5	21.75	30	25.1875
81	28.25	19.25	24.5	31	24.75
83	32	16	26.25	19.5	20.4375
84	28	16	21	30	21.75
90	8.75	29.75	13	12.25	13.9375
91	30	21.75	18.75	28.25	21.6875
92	35.5	27.5	36.5	32	30.375
93	21	17	16.25	15	14.3125
99	14	12.5	8.75	2	7.3125
102	28.75	24	11.25	16.75	14.6875
105	24.5	28.5	29	31.25	26.8125
106	31.5	22	28	27.5	26.75

- **Best Applicant Written Submission:**

Faculty of Law, Masaryk University Brno (Team 67)

- **Best Respondent Written Submission:**

Maastricht University (Team 11)





4. Final Oral Round

The best 20 teams from all 106 registered teams had the unique opportunity to take part in the Final Oral Round, which took place in the Palais de l'Europe and the European Court of Human Rights on the 15th to the 18th of April 2019. On the 15th and the 16th of April the teams pleaded on behalf of both the Applicant and the Respondent in the Preliminary Rounds, before a Bench of 3 esteemed Judges.

The 8 teams with the highest score in the Preliminary Rounds qualified for the 4 Quarter Finals, taking place on the 17th of April, again before a Bench of 3 Judges. The winning teams of each Quarter Final qualified for the Semi-Finals, on the morning of the 18th of April. The Bench consisted of 4 Judges, and the sessions were held in the Press Room and Seminar Room of the European Court of Human Rights. The winners of each Semi Final competed against each other in the Grand Final, in the Salle d'Audience of the European Court of Human Rights, before a Bench of 9 Judges.

The Judges score the teams on the basis of 4 individual criteria:

1. **Command of the issues:** recognition, displaying, weighing and proper analysis of legal issues.
2. **Argumentation:** logic, reasoning, persuasiveness of arguments; ability to analogise with legal or general scenarios; rebuttal/sur-rebuttal is correctly utilised.
3. **Legal analysis:** identification, knowledge, understanding, analysis of the applicable treaties/law and jurisprudence.
4. **Style:** organisation and structure of arguments; response to Judges' questions; eloquence and clarity of presentation; teamwork, time management.

The possible scores ranged between 0 (the lowest) and 40 (the highest). The Applicant/Respondent score was calculated by adding up the points for each criterion and dividing them by 4.

4.1 Team Scores

4.1.1 Preliminary Round

	Applicant				Respondent				Total
Team	J1	J2	J3	AVG	J1	J2	J3	AVG	Total
5	35.25	35	31.5	33.91667	30.25	30.25	33	31.16667	32.54167
6	30	27.5	22	26.5	18	27.5	23.5	23	24.75
9	21.75	30.25	22.25	24.75	28	33.5	28	29.83333	27.29167
11	32.25	26.25	25.75	28.08333	33.25	31.25	26.25	30.25	29.16667
13	29.5	25.75	30	28.41667	30	29.75	23.25	27.66667	28.04167
17	33	30	33.25	32.08333	32.75	30.75	30.25	31.25	31.66667
24	29.5	22.5	29	27	29.75	23.75	21	24.83333	25.91667
27	28	27.5	14	23.16667	21.5	25.25	17.75	21.5	22.33333
35	28	28.25	27.25	27.83333	20.5	22.25	24	22.25	25.04167
36	33.25	33	31.5	32.58333	26	32.25	25.75	28	30.29167
42	30.75	40	30.5	33.75	27	29.25	20.75	25.66667	29.70833
44	11	22	11.5	14.83333	36.25	37.25	34.5	36	25.41667
48	25.5	29.75	26	27.08333	21	23.25	21	21.75	24.41667
59	29.5	18.5	24.5	24.16667	12.5	16.25	20	16.25	20.20833
60	17	24.5	27.75	23.08333	33.25	26.5	29.75	29.83333	26.45833
67	25.75	39.25	38.75	34.58333	30.75	37	29.5	32.41667	33.5
68	30.5	26.25	28	28.25	23	12.25	11.75	15.66667	21.95833
70	22.25	23.75	25.5	23.83333	24.75	22.75	23.25	23.58333	23.70833
72	28.5	26.75	22	25.75	23.25	20.25	20	21.16667	23.45833
92	33.75	33.5	38	35.08333	33.75	30	33.5	32.41667	33.75

4.1.2 Quarter Finals

Quarter Final 1				
Team	J1	J2	J3	AVG
92	32	32.75	33.5	32.75
13	31.25	28	25	28.08333
Quarter Final 2				
11	37.25	35	36	36.08333
67	34.25	30.5	30	31.58333
Quarter Final 3				
42	31.5	34.25	33.25	33
5	33	30	29.25	30.75
Quarter Final 4				
17	35.5	35.25	33.75	34.83333
36	33	30	29.25	30.75

4.1.3 Semi Finals

Semi Final 1					
Team	J1	J2	J3	J4	AVG
92	38.5	40	36.5	39.75	38.6875
17	31.25	34	28.75	32	31.5
Semi Final 2					
Team	J1	J2	J3	J4	AVG
42	35.25	33	35	36.5	34.9375
11	31.5	32.25	34	38.75	34.125

4.1.4 Grand Final

Team	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	J8	J9	AVG
42	34.75	35	34	33.75	35	36.75	35.75	35	34	34.88888889
92	38	33	37.25	36.75	38.75	39.5	39.5	38	36.25	37.44444444

- **Winner:** Team 92, University of Oxford (United Kingdom)
- **Runner up:** Team 42, Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski", Faculty of Law (Bulgaria)



4.2 Orator Scores

4.2.1 Preliminary Rounds

The following table gives an overview of each team and their Orators on behalf of the Applicant and Respondent. If a member did not plead in the Applicant or Respondent session, the respective cells are left blank. If a team member did not plead in any of the sessions of the Preliminary Round, their name has been omitted from the table.

	PRELIM APPLICANT				PRELIM RESPONDENT				TOTAL AVG
	J1	J2	J3	AVG	J1	J2	J3	AVG	
Team 05									
Paul Weber	32	35	35.25	34.083333					34.083333
Julius Weber					28.75	28	36.75	31.166667	31.166667
Nathalie Kornet					29.25	30.75	31.25	30.416667	30.416667
Katarzyna Schwartz	33	35	35.25	34.416667					34.416667
Team 06									
Johannes Arlt	29.5	26.75	23	26.416667	18.5	23.75	22.75	21.666667	24.041667
Clara Geilen	29.25	25.5	20.25	25	14.75	19.75	24	19.5	22.25
Team 09									
Alicja Filbier	19.75	28.25	21.75	23.25					23.25
Justyna Danilo					28.75	23.75	27	26.5	26.5
Monika de Silva	24.25	31.25	21.75	25.75					25.75
Julia Kozakiewicz					27.25	32.25	28.5	29.333333	29.333333
Team 11									
Florentina Pircher					35	33.5	27.75	32.083333	32.083333
Alexandra Nadasan	24.25	21.25	33.5	26.333333	29	28.5	24	27.166667	26.75
Ruben Tans	27.75	32.5	32.5	30.916667					30.916667
Team 13									
Karina Paskar	26.5	28	33.75	29.416667					29.416667
Katja Valerie Klein					29	31.25	21.5	27.25	27.25
Moritz Deinhammer					28.5	29.25	30	29.25	29.25
Fabian Windhager	25	31	29	28.333333					28.333333
Team 17									
Jakob Marboe	35	33	33	33.666667					33.666667
Karin Marie-Sophie Krenn	30	32	32.25	31.416667					31.416667
Philipp Grave					32.75	31.5	30	31.416667	31.416667
Johann Witt-Döring					31.25	26.75	29.75	29.25	29.25
Team 24									
Andreea-Cezara Pletea	29.5	21.75	25	25.416667	30.75	22.25	20	24.333333	24.875
Elisabeth David	29.5	23.25	28.75	27.166667	30.25	26.25	22	26.166667	26.666667

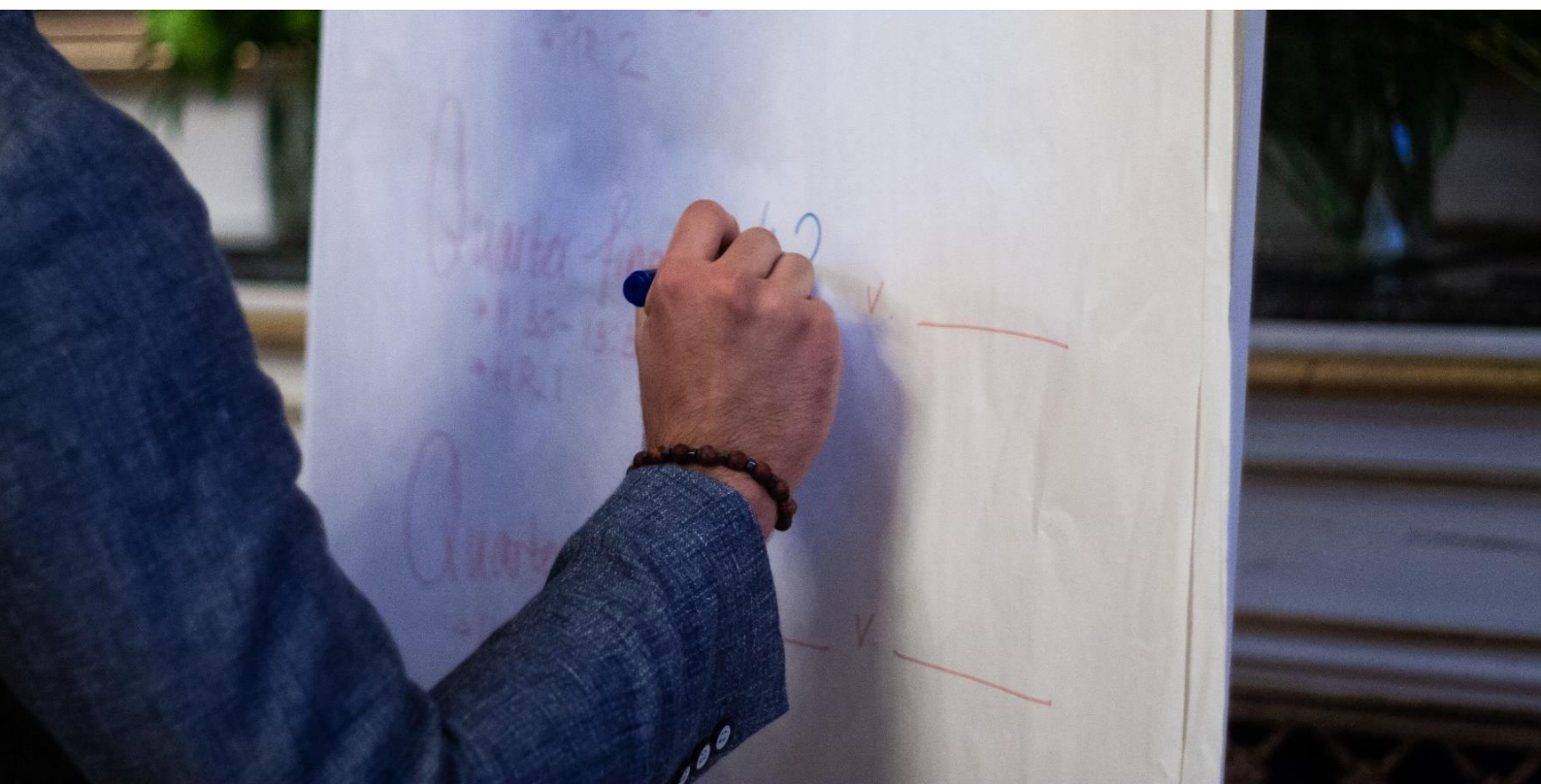
Fahad Alsadoon	29.75	25	32.25	29	29.25	22.25	20	23.833333	26.416667
Team 27									
Marie Wienroeder	28	29	21	26	17.5	24	12.75	18.083333	22.041667
Tamara Schreiner	28.25	26	19	24.416667	31.5	25.5	22	26.333333	25.375
Team 35									
Tereza Mrázková	27.75	28.5	27.25	27.833333	21.5	19.5	18	19.666667	23.75
Jakub Sedláček	28	28.5	27	27.833333	23.25	20.75	26	23.333333	25.583333
Team 36									
Tetiana Soviak	29.5	31	31.5	30.666667					30.666667
Liliia Lavrichenko	32.75	34	31.75	32.833333	26	31.25	26	27.75	30.291667
Anna Tashkinova					27	31.25	25	27.75	27.75
Team 42									
Pavla Tsvetkova	30.25	40	31	33.75	25.75	29.5	20.75	25.333333	29.541667
Sofia Bayadsi	30.25	39.5	30	33.25	24.5	28.5	20.75	24.583333	28.916667
Team 44									
Felix Keating					36.5	36.5	33.5	35.5	35.5
James Taylor	12.5	21.5	15	16.333333					16.333333
Jack Myers					35	37.25	34	35.416667	35.416667
Camilla Crosby	10.75	19.25	10	13.333333					13.333333
Team 48									
Klearchos-Nikolaos Lazanas					20.5	22.5	21.25	21.416667	21.416667
Anna Maria Tsakountaki	26.25	29.5	26.25	27.333333					27.333333
Samouil Namias	23.5	29.5	26	26.333333					26.333333
Vasileios Gerapetritis					19.25	21.75	21	20.666667	20.666667
Team 59									
Tamilla Imanova	23.75	28	14	21.916667					21.916667
Ilya Sushilnikov	17.75	10	10.75	12.833333					12.833333
Abu Magomadov					29.5	18.5	22.5	23.5	23.5
Aleksandra Butko					29.5	17.25	22	22.916667	22.916667
Team 60									
Răzvan Anghel					29.75	34.25	28.75	30.916667	30.916667
Alexandra Beudean	20	28.5	27.75	25.416667					25.416667
Răzvan Turc	15	26.25	25.75	22.333333					22.333333
Francisc Vâlcu					28.5	30.75	22.25	27.166667	27.166667
Team 67									
Andrea Lancova					29.75	37	30.5	32.416667	32.416667
Anna Citterbergova	25.7	39.25	38	34.316667					34.316667
Stepan Paulik					28.75	36.5	30.75	32	32
Sarah Ourednickova	29	37.5	39.5	35.333333					35.333333

Team 68									
Jaline Joseph	20	12.25	11	14.416667	30	29	24.25	27.75	21.083333
Sachin Nair	25	12.25	10.25	15.833333	32	27.75	27.5	29.083333	22.458333
Team 70									
Tinatin Oboladze	22.75	23.75	24.75	23.75	22.5	24.25	21.25	22.666667	23.208333
Konstantine Kopaliani					25.5	26.25	28.5	26.75	26.75
Tamar Ruseishvili	22.5	23.75	27	24.416667					24.416667
Team 72									
Danai Ladea					17.5	18.25	20.25	18.666667	18.666667
Alexandros Lympikis					22.5	21.5	24.5	22.833333	22.833333
Myrto Leivadarou	27	22	21.75	23.583333					23.583333
Alexia Kakouri	30	28	26.25	28.083333					28.083333
Team 92									
Emily van Heerden	28.75	29	32.5	30.083333	35.75	34	38	35.916667	33
Alan Eustace	32.5	30	34.25	32.25	35.5	34	38	35.833333	34.041667
Francesca Parkes	27.5	31	33	30.5	32.5	33	34	33.166667	31.833333

- **Best Orator of the Preliminary Rounds:** Felix Keating

4.2.2 Quarter Finals

As opposed to the Preliminary Rounds, the Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Grand Final only let teams plead on behalf of one party (Applicant or Respondent). Therefore, the team members who did not plead during these rounds have been omitted entirely, instead of being left blank.



	J1	J2	J3	AVG
Team 05				
Julius Weber	34.25	31.25	31	32.16666667
Nathalie Kornet	32.25	28.5	28.25	29.66666667
Team 11				
Alexandra Nadasan	29.25	35.25	36	33.5
Ruben Tans	38.25	37.5	38.5	38.08333333
Team 13				
Katja Valerie Klein	30.75	27.25	27.5	28.5
Moritz Deinhammer	30.75	28	25	27.91666667
Team 17				
Jakob Marboe	36.75	35.5	33.75	35.33333333
Karin Marie-Sophie Krenn	33.5	35	33.75	34.08333333
Team 36				
Liliia Lavrichenko	31.25	30.75	31.25	31.08333333
Anna Tashkinova	31.5	32.5	31.25	31.75
Team 42				
Pavla Tsvetkova	34	34.25	33.75	34
Sofia Bayadsi	27.25	32.25	32.25	30.58333333
Team 67				
Andrea Lancova	30	30.5	34.5	31.66666667
Stepan Paulik	29.5	26.5	35.5	30.5
Team 92				
Emily van Heerden	33.5	32	30.75	32.08333333
Alan Eustace	31	31	32	31.33333333
Francesca Parkes	33.25	32.75	32.5	32.83333333

- **Best Orator of the Quarter Finals:** Ruben Tans



4.2.3 Semi Finals

	J1	J2	J3	J4	AVG
Team 11					
Florentina Pircher	31.5	33	34	39.5	34.5
Alexandra Nadasan	29	30.25	30.25	38.75	32.0625
Team 17					
Philipp Grave	27	33.75	30	33.5	31.0625
Johann Witt-Döring	28	31.5	27.5	29.5	29.125
Team 42					
Pavla Tsvetkova	36	34	35	36	35.25
Sofia Bayadsi	32.5	30.5	33.5	31.75	32.0625
Team 92					
Emily van Heerden	37.25	39.5	36.25	38.75	37.9375
Alan Eustace	37.5	40	36.25	39	38.1875
Francesca Parkes	38.75	40	36.5	39.25	38.625

- **Best Orator of the Semi Finals:** Francesca Parkes

4.2.4 Grand Final

	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	J8	J8	AVG
Team 42										
Pavla Tsvetkova	34.75	35	39.25	38	39.75	40	39	39	40	38.30555556
Sofia Bayadsi	32	20	33.25	28.5	29.25	34.5	29.75	32	32.5	30.19444444
Team 92										
Emily van Heerden	35	28	33	35.5	37.75	39.25	38	35.5	36.25	35.36111111
Alan Eustace	35	32	33.25	36	38	39.25	38.25	35	36.25	35.88888889
Francesca Parkes	36.25	35	35.25	36.75	39.5	40	38.75	38	38.75	37.58333333

- **Best Orator of the Grand Final:** Pavla Tsvetkova



6. The Judges

We cannot express our thanks enough to our Judges of the Final Oral Round, for their time, expertise, support and knowledge. We have been very fortunate to have the support of the experts that we do, and the EHRMCC would not look the same without them.

- Alejandro Fuentes (Raoul Wallenberg Institute)
- Alexandra Dubova (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Barbara Bazanth (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Claire Windsor (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Daria Sartori (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Emiliya Ramazanova (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Eric Heinze (Queen Mary University of London)
- Erika Leonaite (Vilnius University)
- Geanina Munteanu (Council of Europe / Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law)
- Inna Smirnova (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Ioulietta Bisiouli (Council of Europe / Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law)
- Irina Markova (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Jan Kratochvil (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Kirill Belogubets (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Kresimir Kamber (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Lucja Miara (Council of Europe / Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law)
- Marina Makarova (Centre de la Protection Internationale)
- Mihail Stojanoski (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Onur Andreotti (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Simon Palmer (European Human Rights Association)
- Zoe Bryanston-Cross (Registry of the European Court of Human Rights)
- Zuzana Kovalova (European Human Rights Association)

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- Alexey Bulatov
- Amrei Müller
- Ana Medarska Lazova
- Andrea Camacho Rincón
- Andriana Kostopoulou
- Clare Brown
- Dzehtsiarou, Kanstantsin

- Irina Chepaikina
- Jeremy McBride
- Kirill Koroteev
- Maxim Timofeev
- Michelle Lafferty
- Nataliya Sekretareva
- Rimante Tamulyte
- Sergei Golubok
- Stephanie Bourgeois
- Tenzile Kocak
- Vicki Prais

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7. The International Team and International Organising Committee

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- Can Arihan (Director for the EHRMCC);
- Ekaterina Baliuk (Assistant for Judges in the EHRMCC);
- Sami Ayadi (Assistant for Sponsors in the EHRMCC);
- Arthur Andreamatteo (Assistant for Logistics in the EHRMCC).

The International Organising Committee (IOC) were our hands on the ground during the 14th to 19th of April and comprised of 12 individuals, of which Can, Sami and Arthur represented the EHRMCC team. Filipe, Loup and Matteo were my fellow members of ELSA's International Board in the IOC. Finally, Jake, Sarah, Yana, Olga and Maja represented the ELSA Network and the International Team of ELSA's other competitions. I cannot express how much I wish to thank you for your work, your dedication and your commitment. We could have never achieved as much as we have, without you.

- Filipe Machado (President of the International Board)
- Loup Cressey (Treasurer of the International Board)
- Matteo Alessandro (Vice President for Marketing of the International Board)
- Can Arihan (Director for the EHRMCC)
- Sami Ayadi (Assistant for Sponsors in the EHRMCC)
- Arthur Andreamatteo (Assistant for Logistics in the EHRMCC).
- Jake Camilleri (Assistant for Academic Activities, ELSA International Team)
- Yana Lysak (Assistant for ELSA Negotiation Competition, ELSA International Team)
- Sarah-Ikast Kristoffersen (Assistant for / in the JHJMCC, ELSA International Team)
- Olga Kompouri (Assistant for Panellists in the JHJMCC, ELSA International Team)
- Maja Rajić (Vice President for Academic Activities, ELSA Strasbourg)

8. Concluding Remarks

Similar to how these Concluding Remarks signify the end of the Final Report, the entirety of this Final Report signifies the conclusion of the 7th European Human Rights Moot Court Competition.

The European Human Rights Moot Court Competition (EHRMCC) stands for the core values of the European Law Students' Association (ELSA) – giving students the tools to experience the reality of the legal profession, opening a dialogue between Law students from various nationalities, and last but not least, contributing to our vision: 'A just world in which there is respect for human dignity and cultural diversity.' Through a simulation of the procedures before the European Court of Human Rights, we aim to give students an insight into the functioning of the European Convention of Human Rights and what it is like to apply the Convention in practice. This practical and international approach to Law will stay with the participants for the entirety of their career, and will shape the way that young Law students and lawyers in Council of Europe Member States approach the Convention, as well as inspiring their peers to look beyond their borders as well.

We thank all of our partners and supporters deeply for their contributions, attention and time. In particular, our sincerest gratitude is for the Permanent Representations of Finland, Ireland, Poland, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey for their contributions, as well as the City of Strasbourg. We could not be more honoured with your involvement. We also wish to express thanks to the Council of Europe, and specifically Ms Barbara Orkiszewska and Ms Sophie Lobey for their help, assistance and guidance throughout the entirety of the 7th Edition of the EHRMCC.

I would finally like to thank, for one last time, the participants, without whom the Salle d'Audience would have looked rather empty. We hope the experience left you fulfilled, educated and motivated to continue your amazing contributions to Human Rights.

Thank you to all. My life would not be the same without any of you. For one year, there has not been a day that the EHRMCC has not been on my mind, and with every single minute puzzle piece that has been painstakingly put together, the complete picture came together on the 18th of April. The formidable feeling of farewell overcomes me while writing these final words, the closure of a period in my life that was, if it lets itself be described in such few words, unique, overwhelming, and humbling. I shall close this report with the wish that the EHRMCC will continue to feel our impact for all of its' future, and that similarly, we will carry the experience of the 7th EHRMCC for all of ours.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eva te Dorsthorst', written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

Eva te Dorsthorst

Vice President for Academic Activities

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