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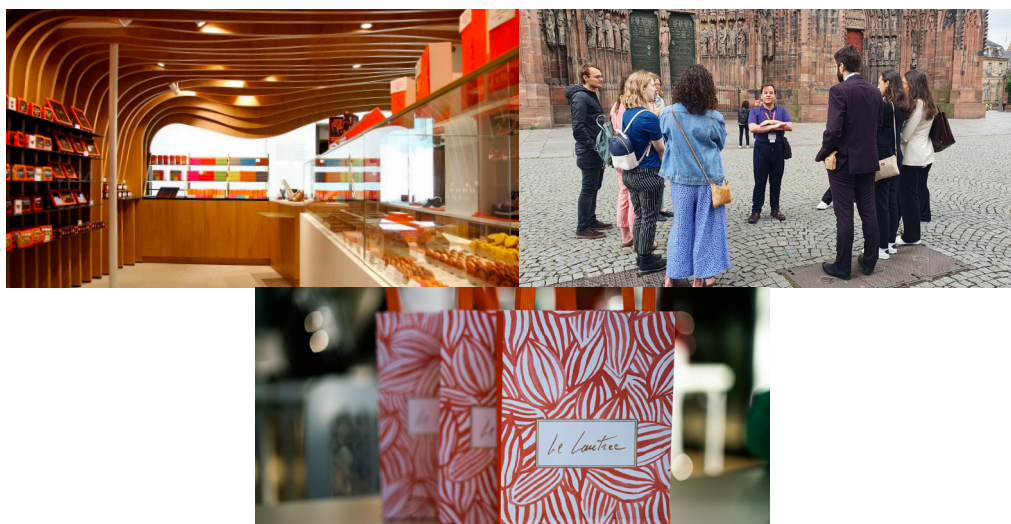
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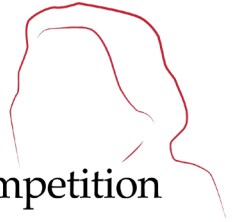
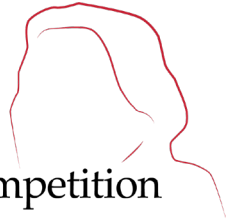


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FOREWORD

The Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition grows in relevance and importance with every year that passes. This outstanding opportunity to experience pleading a human rights case under rigorously realistic conditions concerns ever-growing numbers of young lawyers and it should be born in mind that thanks to the regional heats, this is extended to a large - and growing - number of students.

First, the 10th edition took place live, in-person, with teams confronting one another across the room, before a bench of judges and supervised by time-keepers. At the 7th competition, this would have been no novelty, but at the 10th, it was an agreeable change.

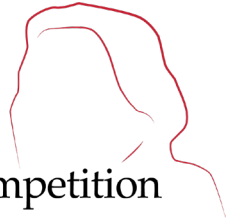
The author of the Foreword to last year's report wrote of the advantages of the online experience, and I agree entirely with what he says. In organising online competitions for two years, ELSA has established a viable concept which gave competitors concrete experience of a form of proceedings which will inevitably become more current in the future, as the lessons learned during the pandemic exert their influence over the evolution of the future judicial practice.

But the immediacy of 'in-presence' proceedings - their ability to generate palpable atmosphere and tension - enabled competitors to demonstrate their skills more fully and contributed to an excitement quite equivalent to that of a major sports event. What is more, the possibility for competitors to meet and spend time together, developing mutual understanding and forming friendships is something an online event can never offer.

The return to the in-presence format also brought the Competition back to the familiar premises of the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights; the active support of both these bodies is, as ever, highly appreciated.



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The 10th competition is also memorable for the quality of the case of Velez against Norland. This was a case which obliged competitors to venture beyond the familiar territory of human rights protection. It asks important questions about the nature of a government's responsibility and how it should be exercised in relation to a global phenomenon for which it is partially but not quantifiably responsible. Courts at all levels will have to grapple with such questions in various forms, preferably without re-arguing the origins of climate change for every case they hear.

The case authors deserve our congratulations for issuing such an important challenge; the competitors responded to it with outstanding skill and imagination.

The 10th edition was one of the best, not only for the quality of its debates but also for the smoothness of its running. As organisers, the ELSA team had much to deal with, not least the inclusion of a 19th team as a result of international developments beyond their control.

War - or whatever you choose to call it if you dare not speak its name - is the ultimate violation of human rights. No norm, national or international, can stand in the presence of this monstrosity whose only aim is destruction.

As a consequence of war, the 10th edition of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition missed certain teams whose predecessors had marked former editions with their great skill and motivation. We hope that the members of those past teams and their associates, together with the millions of their fellow citizens who have not forgotten the ideals of respect for human life and dignity, will soon find a way to restore normality.

The 10th edition was, in this writer's view, the best-ever: fairly fought, with an impressive blend of forensic insight, skill and imagination. To judge by the competitors' performances, the future of advocacy in the field of international humanitarian law should be in safe hands.

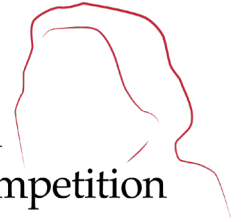
The Competition is a light in the obscurity of the present world landscape, darkened not only by war but by the re-emergence of ancient paranoias. After the 10th edition, it burns more brightly still.



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OVERVIEW OF THE COMPETITION

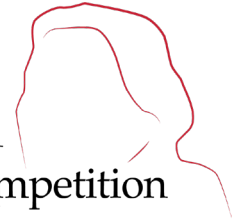
The 10th Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition (HPMCC) was launched on the 20th of September 2021. The Case was written by Zuzana Kovalova and Slavica Čubrić, addressing present-day legal matters related to natural disasters and environmental protection. 59 teams registered from 26 different countries, and 54 teams fulfilled their responsibilities to continue with their participation in the Competition. The registration period lasted until the 10th of November, 2021.

For the first time, ELSA organised a Mooting 101 Webinar during the registration period on how to improve mooting skills. Our speaker, Ms Dr Amaya Ubeda de Torres, who works at the Council of Europe as a Senior Legal Officer, delivered the Webinar.

After all the teams completed their registration by the deadline, they had the opportunity of submitting up to 3 clarification questions to the case authors by the 25th of November 2021. Our case authors answered all relevant clarification questions following the deadline, and the answers were made publicly available on the website of the Competition as well as were sent to the teams via email.

Following the change of the structure of the Competition in the 8th Edition of the EHRMCC, this year, the Competition had also three stages: Written Round, Regional Rounds and the Final Oral Round. For the stage of the Written Round, the main task of the teams was to submit their Written Submissions both on behalf of the Applicant and Respondent by the 22nd of December 2021. As set in the Rules of the Competition, each Written Submission was scored by two different experts in the field of human rights, making an average Written Submission score of 4 gradings (two scores for the Applicant Written Submission and two scores for the Respondent Written Submission), which was followed by the Penalty Scoring done by the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition Team.

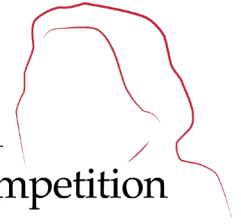




Upon successfully submitting their Written Submissions, teams had the chance to practice their oral pleading skills during the Regional Round phase. Due to the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic and related restrictions, the three Regional Rounds of the 10th HPMCC were held online, on the Coderblock platform. However, the Regional Rounds were organised by ELSA Kyiv and ELSA Ukraine (Virtual Regional Round Kyiv), ELSA Athens and ELSA Greece (Virtual Regional Round Athens) and ELSA Wrocław (Virtual Regional Round Wrocław). Each team had to plead twice during the assigned Regional Round – once on behalf of the Applicant and once on behalf of the Respondent - and each pleading was observed and scored by the Bench consisting of three human rights experts serving as Judges. We are grateful for all the contributions made by the Organising Committees of the Regional Rounds, Judges for the Regional Rounds as well as the participants. With their help, we had the opportunity to gather teams on one virtual platform and to ensure the academic quality of the event despite all the challenges faced.

For the last stage - the Final Oral Round of the Competition, we had the honour of welcoming the best 19 teams to Strasbourg, France - to the Headquarters of the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights after two years of online editions. The Rules of the Competition allow the Organising Committee to invite only the best 18 teams based on their Written Submissions and Regional Round scores; however, for the 10th Edition, the Rules were amended to allow 19 teams to participate in the Final Oral Round to include one more team from Ukraine. The measure has been taken in the light of the ongoing war in Ukraine to provide equal opportunities to our Ukrainian participants with the rest of the participants to continue participating in the Competition even during these challenging times. The Final Oral Round took place for five days, from 9 May to 13 May 2022, with its Opening Ceremony and Academic Programme taking place on the first day, Preliminary Rounds taking place on the second and third days, Quarter and Semi-Finals taking place on the fourth day and the Grand Final taking place on the last, fifth day. The Grand Final was followed by the Closing and Awards Ceremony, which also took place at the European Court of Human Rights.





WRITTEN ROUND

The Written Round is one and first of the three stages of the HPMCC. In order to be eligible to participate in the further stages of the Competition - Regional Rounds and the Final Oral Round registered teams had to submit their two Written Submissions on behalf of the Applicant and on behalf of the Respondent. For the 10th Edition, 54 teams out of 59 submitted their Written Submissions within the deadline set by ELSA International and got the chance to plead in the Regional Rounds.

Each Written Submission was scored by two independent human rights experts. The scoring of Written Submissions was organised in two rounds – the first round of scoring was organised between 4 and 23 January 2022, while the second round of Written Submissions scoring took place between 27 January and 21 February 2022.

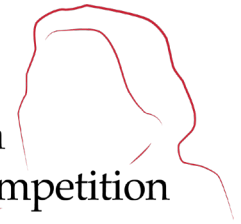
32 human rights experts contributed to the 10th Edition of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition by acting as a Judge and evaluating the Written Submissions. We would like to express our gratitude to Alexandra Suchkova, Anna Maralyan, Geanina Munteanu, Daniel Karsai, Kristaps Tamusz, Mihail Stojanoski, Jan Kratochvil, Aleksandra Meżykowska, Günter Schirmer, Mark Clough, Rimante Tamulyte, Victoria Prais, Inga Abramavičiūtė, Maxim Timofeev, Alexandra Dubova, Jeremy McBride, Ada Paprocka, Matylda Pogorzelska, Neus Torbisco-Casals, Emiliya Ramazanova, Dovilė, Gailiūtė-Janušonė, Irina Chepaykina, Ayşe Dicle Ergin, Piers Gardner, Claire Windsor, Zuzana Kovalova, Slavica Čubrić, Dmytro Tretyakov, Katarina Emeršič Polić, Ketevan Khutsishvili, Tamta Shamatava and Tamta Zaalishvili for the time put in the competition and their valuable feedback which guided the teams to the Final Oral Round.

The Written Submissions were scored on four criteria, each weighing 25% of the written submission score. These criteria were:

1. **Identification of legal issues and relevant legal framework:** This ground sought to assess the team's general understanding of the case and the issues it raises.
2. **Knowledge of ECHR and relevant case law:** This ground sought to judge the extent of the team's technical ECHR knowledge.
3. **Quality of legal analysis and persuasiveness of arguments:** This ground concerned the overall persuasiveness of the team's pleadings and legal analysis.
4. **Style:** This ground addressed issues of presentation and accessibility.

In addition to fulfilling the criteria set out above, teams also had to format the Written Submissions to comply with the criteria set out in the Rules of the 10th HPMCC.

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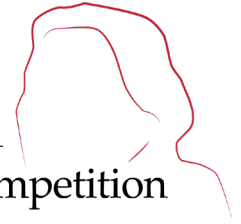
According to the Appendix A of the Rules of the 10th HPMCC, the Written Submission Score is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\left(\frac{WSA1+WSA2-PA}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{WSR1+WSR2-PR}{2}\right)}{2}$$

Based on the scores, **Team 34 from Université Saint-Louis Bruxelles (Belgium)** was awarded the prize for the **Best Applicant Written Submission**, while **Team 16 from University of Passau; Chair of German, European and International Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Law and White-Collar Crime (Germany)** was awarded the prize for the **Best Respondent Written Submission**.

Scores of the Written Round are demonstrated below:

Team No.	Applicant				Respondent				Total Score
	J1	J2	Penalties	Total	J1	J2	Penalties	Total	
1	31,75	30,75	4,00	29,25	15,00	11,75	4,50	11,13	20,19
2	Disqualified								
3	36,25	37,50	1,00	36,38	37,00	35,75	1,00	35,88	36,13
4	15,25	31,50	1,50	22,63	22,00	20,00	2,50	19,75	21,19
5	35,25	23,75	1,50	28,75	33,25	33,75	1,50	32,75	30,75
6	34,00	35,50	1,00	34,25	23,50	38,00	1,00	30,25	32,25
7	21,50	12,50	0,50	16,75	24,00	15,75	0,50	19,63	18,19
8	24,50	23,00	1,00	23,25	21,75	24,50	2,00	22,13	22,69
9	36,00	27,50	2,00	30,75	27,50	38,00	2,00	31,75	31,25
10	29,00	33,00	1,00	30,50	22,25	34,75	1,00	28,00	29,25
11	32,50	37,75	2,50	33,88	31,75	33,25	2,50	31,25	32,56
12	26,50	34,00	2,50	29,00	33,50	33,50	2,50	32,25	30,63
13	15,25	30,25	1,00	22,25	33,75	38,25	1,00	35,50	28,88
14	33,50	22,50	2,50	26,75	22,00	25,00	2,50	22,25	24,50
15	29,00	33,00	2,00	30,00	38,00	28,50	2,00	32,25	31,13
16	29,50	38,25	2,00	32,88	38,25	38,25	2,00	37,25	35,06
17	37,00	25,00	2,00	30,00	38,00	32,75	2,00	34,38	32,19
18	33,75	23,50	2,00	27,63	20,00	14,75	2,00	16,38	22,00
19	28,00	32,75	2,00	29,38	35,75	38,50	1,50	36,38	32,88
20	15,50	33,75	3,00	23,13	25,50	31,25	3,50	26,63	24,88
21	22,50	32,75	5,50	24,88	26,50	17,75	4,50	19,88	22,38
22	37,00	31,00	3,00	32,50	31,00	34,00	3,50	30,75	31,63
23	28,25	30,75	2,00	28,50	31,25	26,00	1,50	27,88	28,19
24	Disqualified								
25	34,00	33,50	1,50	33,00	23,50	35,75	1,00	29,13	31,06
26	20,75	23,00	2,50	20,63	32,00	31,00	2,00	30,50	25,56
27	25,75	33,25	2,00	28,50	33,75	36,00	3,00	33,38	30,94
28	19,50	23,00	1,50	20,50	19,25	23,25	1,00	20,75	20,63
29	13,75	28,00	1,50	20,13	30,00	29,00	1,50	28,75	24,44
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32	20,50	17,00	4,50	16,50	20,00	22,25	3,50	19,38	17,94
33	21,00	24,75	3,50	21,13	21,50	24,75	3,50	21,38	21,25
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37	27,50	27,75	2,00	26,63	19,00	17,25	3,50	16,38	21,50
38	34,25	32,25	2,50	32,00	32,50	31,75	3,00	30,63	31,31
39	12,50	20,00	1,50	15,50	13,25	32,50	1,50	22,13	18,81
40	24,00	15,00	1,00	19,00	24,25	37,75	1,00	30,50	24,75
41	36,50	33,00	1,50	34,00	35,00	32,25	1,50	32,88	33,44
42	Disqualified								
43	10,00	34,25	1,50	21,38	11,25	22,25	3,00	15,25	18,31
44	Disqualified								
45	29,25	32,00	3,00	29,13	35,25	31,25	3,50	31,50	30,31
46	Disqualified								
47	35,00	27,50	0,50	31,00	34,00	27,00	0,00	30,50	30,75
48	33,00	22,25	1,50	26,88	33,50	26,50	1,50	29,25	28,06
49	10,50	29,75	2,00	19,13	30,00	11,25	1,50	19,88	19,50
50	38,00	32,75	1,50	34,63	23,75	17,25	1,50	19,75	27,19
51	31,50	36,50	1,50	33,25	33,50	35,25	1,50	33,63	33,44
52	31,50	32,00	1,50	31,00	34,00	30,25	2,00	31,13	31,06
53	15,00	17,50	3,00	14,75	21,00	29,50	2,00	24,25	19,50
54	30,00	30,50	3,00	28,75	18,25	21,25	2,50	18,50	23,63
55	17,25	35,00	1,00	25,63	36,75	13,25	1,00	24,50	25,06
56	32,75	28,00	4,00	28,38	22,50	25,75	4,00	22,13	25,25
57	25,25	22,00	3,50	21,88	5,75	8,75	3,50	5,50	13,69
58	27,50	23,50	3,50	23,75	29,00	30,00	3,50	27,75	25,75
59	26,25	12,00	3,00	17,63	18,50	29,00	2,50	22,50	20,06



REGIONAL ROUNDS

Teams who submitted their Written Submissions on time move to the second stage of the Competition - Regional Rounds, where they present their legal arguments orally in front of the 3-members Bench of human rights experts. Regional Rounds are weighting 50% of the Qualification score to the Final Oral Round.

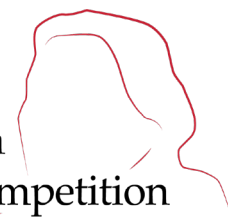
46 teams participated in one of three Regional Rounds, randomly assigned. Each Regional Round took place over three days and consisted of the Opening Ceremony, and Academic Programme on the first day, while two other days were reserved for the oral pleadings. Finally, each Regional Round ended with an Awards Ceremony on the evening of the third and final day, during which we handed out the prizes for the Best Applicant, Best Respondent and the Best Orator of the Regional Round.

Although the fact that the Regional Rounds were planned to be organised in a physical format on the launch of the 10th Edition, after constantly evaluating the ongoing Covid-19 situation in all of the three countries and lengthy discussions with the Organising Committees and within the International Board of ELSA, it was decided on proceeding with the virtual Regional Rounds in January 2022. During this evaluation, teams also had the opportunity to state their preference via the Covid-19 Feedback Form provided to them by ELSA International, which was taken into consideration while making the final decision. The decision was communicated to the teams on the official website of the Competition and via emails. Switching the format from physical to virtual did not result in any change of responsibilities or risk to the academic excellence of the Regional Rounds, and they were still organised by ELSA Kyiv and ELSA Ukraine (Virtual Regional Round Kyiv), ELSA Athens and ELSA Greece (Virtual Regional Round Athens) and ELSA Wrocław (Virtual Regional Round Wrocław). In this edition, we tried a different platform than the previous years - **Coderblock**, which received positive feedback from most teams and judges involved in the Regional Rounds.

Each team participating in the Regional Rounds had the chance of pleading twice – once on behalf of the Applicant party and once on behalf of the Respondent party and was scored on four criteria, namely:

1. **Identification of legal issues and relevant legal framework:** This ground sought to assess the team's general understanding of the case and the issues it raises.
2. **Knowledge of ECHR and relevant caselaw:** This ground sought to judge the extent of the team's technical ECHR knowledge.
3. **Quality of legal analysis and persuasiveness of arguments:** This ground concerned the overall persuasiveness of the team's pleadings and legal analysis.
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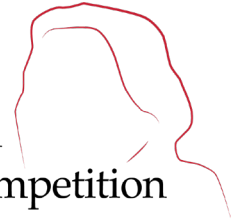
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According to the Appendix A of the Rules of the 10th HPMCC, the Regional Round Score is calculated as follows:

$$\frac{\left(\frac{A1+A2+A3}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{R1+R2+R3}{3}\right)}{2}$$





VIRTUAL REGIONAL ROUND ATHENS

The first Regional Round of the 10th HPMCC was organised by ELSA Athens and ELSA Greece from 10 March to 12 March 2022. A total of 15 teams from the following universities participated in this Regional Round: Comenius University in Bratislava (Slovakia), University of Cologne (Germany), Universidad Pontificia Comillas (Spain), Inns of Court College of Advocacy (United Kingdom), Charles University (Czech Republic), University of Birmingham (United Kingdom), Queen Mary University of London (United Kingdom), Higher School of Economics (Russia), University of National and World Economy (Bulgaria), Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece), University of Southampton Law School (United Kingdom), Democritus University of Thrace (Greece), City University of London (United Kingdom), Babes-Bolyai University (Romania), University of Coimbra (Portugal).

Virtual Regional Round Athens was supported by 30 judges and we would like to take this opportunity to thank Professor Aikaterini Iliadou, Professor Anastasios Gourgourinis, Panagiota Karageorgi, Professor Metaxia Kouskouna, Maria Mourtzaki, Jenny Sandvig, Professor Theodora Antoniou, Dr Dimitra Papageorgiou, Professor Georgios Kyraikopoulos, Eva Tzavala, Matina Papadaki, Dr Stavros-Evdokimos Pantazopoulos, Matylda Pogorzelska, Foto Pappa, Dean Linos-Alexandre Sicilianos, Lucy Kiousopoulou, Dr Aikaterini Tsampi, Professor Nikolaos Papaspyrou, Dr Katerina Charokopou, Professor Revekka-Emmanouela Papadopoulou, Dr Mihail Stojanoski, Emmanouli Giakoumakis, Dr Maria-Louiza Deftou, Andreas Samartzis, Professor Vasiliki Christou, Stavros Tasiopoulos, Professor Eleni Micha, Professor Natasa Mavronicola, Dr Efthymios Papastavridis and Dr Nikolaos Voulgaris for their massive contribution to the organisation and academic quality of the Regional Round Athens.





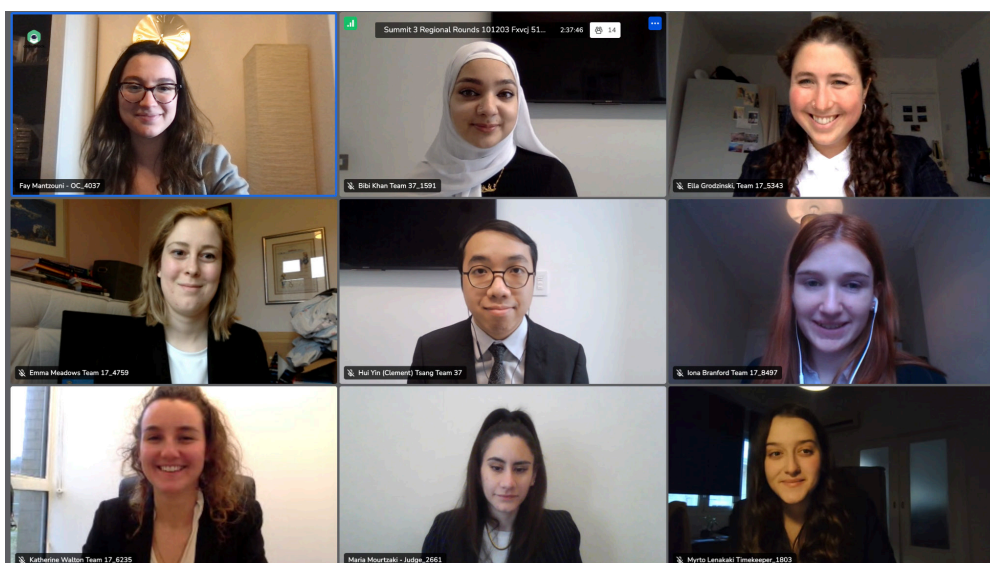
AN ORGANISER'S PERSPECTIVE

On Thursday, 10 March 2022, ELSA Greece and ELSA Athens were delighted to virtually welcome students from all across Europe for the Athens Regional Round of the 10th Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition. Although we had initially set out to host this Regional Round on the premises of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, the ongoing pandemic rendered it impossible to carry out our original plan. Thus, the decision to transition into a digital format was made in early January. As the Regional Round, spanning over three days, was brought to a close on Saturday, 12 March, our six-month-long efforts had come to fruition.

The first day of the Competition entailed the Opening Ceremony and the Academic Programme. During the Opening Ceremony, the participants were greeted by the Organising Committee and the International Board of ELSA. Subsequently, Professor Maria Gavouneli delivered some constructive remarks on the importance of human rights in legal education and addressed recent developments in the field. We then proceeded to the drawing of lots to determine the pleading order for the following days. In the Academic Programme, we were honoured to welcome the Registrar of the European Court of Human Rights, Marialena Tsirli, whose enlightening presentation delved into the Court's response to the pandemic of COVID-19 and its reformed strategy for a more targeted case-processing mechanism.

Starting from Friday 11 March and carrying on to Saturday 12 March, the teams had the opportunity to present their pleadings both in respect of the Applicant and the Respondent States. 30 renowned experts, particularly well-versed in the subject matter of this year's case, thoroughly listened to the pleadings, posed insightful questions to the oralists, evaluated their performance and delivered valuable feedback. The Judges' scores, along with the ones in the Written Submissions phase, contributed toward the qualification of 18 teams for the Final Oral Round.

On Friday evening, we hosted a virtual Social Programme, where participants had the chance to unwind and network after a long day of pleadings. Ms Myrto Stavridi, a former winner of the Competition, offered advice on furthering one's legal career in an international environment. In turn, the Organising Committee attempted to convey elements of Greek culture that the participants would have experienced in person in the historical city of Athens.



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The Regional Round Athens concluded on Saturday evening with the Closing Ceremony. Much to our pleasure, Professor Photini Pazartzis, Chair of the UN Human Rights Committee, joined us and addressed a meaningful closing statement to the participants. We then proceeded with the announcement of the awards. Team 19 was awarded Best Applicant, Team 17 was awarded Best Respondent, and Ella Grodzinski from Team 17 was announced as the Best Orator of the Athens Regional Round.

Last but not least, we could not be more honoured to have been trusted with the responsibility to host part of the largest English-speaking human rights-oriented moot court competition. Despite the long hours and hard work, organising this Regional Round was an incredibly fulfilling and rewarding experience for everyone involved. In this effort, we were kindly supported by the former President of the ECtHR and current Dean of our Law Faculty, H.E. Judge Linos-Alexandre Sicilianos, as well as by Ms Prof. Maria Gavouneli, President of the Greek National Commission for Human Rights and academic supervisor for the Competition in the University of Athens. For that, we are sincerely grateful. We would also like to wholeheartedly thank our partners, namely the Athens Public International Law Centre (Athens PIL), the Bureau of the European Parliament in Greece as well as the Greek National Commission for Human Rights. Finally, cordial thanks are to ELSA International for our seamless cooperation, without which the Athens Regional Round would not have been the same.

Written by Elpiniki Gavouneli, Vice President in charge of Moot Court Competitions ELSA Greece 2021/2022, Head of Organising Committee of Athens Regional Round



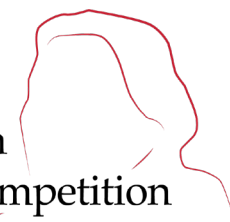
RESULTS

Team Scores

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Team No.	Applicant				Respondent				Total
	J1	J2	J3	Total	J1	J2	J3	Total	
10	33,00	30,75	30,75	31,50	34,50	30,25	30,00	31,58	31,54
12	34,75	33,50	33,50	33,92	31,75	32,75	29,00	31,17	32,54
14	29,50	36,00	34,25	33,25	35,25	34,00	33,75	34,33	33,79
17	32,00	36,50	30,00	32,83	30,50	37,50	39,00	35,67	34,25
18	26,75	26,00	22,00	24,92	29,00	26,50	12,25	22,58	23,75
19	36,50	32,25	37,25	35,33	32,75	36,50	36,50	35,25	35,29
21	22,50	20,75	24,50	22,58	28,25	28,00	29,00	28,42	25,50
25	30,00	28,50	22,75	27,08	32,00	29,25	29,50	30,25	28,67
26	29,25	30,50	27,00	28,92	35,00	34,25	33,50	34,25	31,58
35	34,25	29,50	29,25	31,00	23,00	25,50	22,25	23,58	27,29
37	27,00	28,25	31,25	28,83	32,50	28,50	25,00	28,67	28,75
39	Disqualified								
40	11,50	26,50	29,00	22,33	30,75	29,25	31,00	30,33	26,33
45	34,75	35,00	34,25	34,67	29,50	31,00	25,75	28,75	31,71
53	Disqualified								
55	29,75	28,75	28,75	29,08	27,50	32,00	29,00	29,50	29,29
59	32,00	28,25	30,00	30,08	17,75	17,25	21,75	18,92	24,50

Based on the Regional Round scores, **Team 19 from the University of Birmingham, Birmingham Law School (United Kingdom)** got awarded the **Best Applicant** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Athens, while **Team 17 from Inns of Court College of Advocacy (United Kingdom)** got awarded the **Best Respondent** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Athens.



Individual Scores

In addition to being scored as a team, each orator was scored individually under the same criteria referenced in Chapter 4 of this Report. Only team members who pleaded as both Applicant and Respondent had the chance to compete for the Best Orator of the Virtual Regional Round Athens prize. Please find the Individual scores in the table below:

Team No.	Team Members	Applicant				Respondent				Best Orator
		J1	J2	J3	Total	J1	J2	J3	Total	
10	Barbora Lenka Pučková					33,50	30,00	30,00	31,17	
10	Barbara Strempeková					33,75	29,25	28,75	30,58	
10	Jakub Kmet'	28,75	28,25	26,25	27,75					
10	Soňa Juhásová	33,00	30,75	32,50	32,08					
12	Karin Schroder					30,50	32,25	33,00	31,92	
12	Philipp Terfurth					31,25	31,75	29,00	30,67	
12	Greta Maria Goss	35,25	34,00	34,00	34,42					
12	Sharon Woamede	34,50	33,75	33,75	34,00					
14	Cristina Garcia Bermejo	36,25	28,25	35,25	33,25	34,25	35,25	35,50	35,00	34,13
14	Georgina Mary Street	36,00	27,50	35,50	33,00	35,00	34,75	34,00	34,58	33,79
14	Brita Marie Jelen	35,50	28,50	34,00	32,67	33,75	34,00	35,00	34,25	33,46
17	Emma Meadows	32,25	28,75	37,00	32,67	30,25	36,00	32,50	32,92	32,79
17	Katherine Walton	34,75	33,50	30,00	32,75	30,50	36,00	30,00	32,17	32,46
17	Iona Brandford	37,50	32,50	32,00	34,00	31,50	40,00	32,50	34,67	34,33
17	Ella Grodzinski	35,25	37,50	35,50	36,08	31,00	33,50	38,75	34,42	35,25
18	Petr Plsek	25,00	25,25	22,25	24,17					
18	Lucie Moozová	29,00	27,75	25,00	27,25					
18	Václav Mašek					23,50	27,50	12,00	21,00	
18	Jakub Rys					24,75	29,00	16,25	23,33	
19	Oluwabusola Fadipe					30,50	35,50	35,75	33,92	
19	Conrad Alroe					35,00	37,75	37,75	36,83	
19	Annabel Hale	37,25	33,00	38,00	36,08					
19	Eoin Campbell	37,00	36,00	38,00	37,00					
21	Sara Vicari	24,75	24,75	21,75	23,75					
21	Michail Sarantellis	24,75	25,50	20,75	23,67					
21	Lucia Stella					28,00	29,00	29,00	28,67	
21	Alexandra Dobney					28,50	29,00	28,75	28,75	
25	Sofia Ivanova	30,00	29,00	22,25	27,08	33,50	35,00	35,00	34,50	30,79
25	Elizaveta Belchenko					30,00	29,00	28,50	29,17	
25	Olga Ivegesh	27,00	21,50	25,00	24,50					
25	Aleksandra Korniasova	27,75	28,00	23,25	26,33	31,75	28,00	27,50	29,08	27,71
26	An-Nikol Voynska	29,75	30,75	27,00	29,17	34,00	37,00	32,00	34,33	31,75
26	Nikolay Boshnakov	27,25	28,25	28,50	28,00	33,00	35,50	34,75	34,42	31,21
26	Elina Kostadinova	26,50	30,50	30,50	29,17	35,00	38,00	34,25	35,75	32,46
35	Ioanna Koutela					24,75	24,00	23,50	24,08	
35	Styliani Kountouri	31,00	24,50	27,50	27,67	24,25	23,50	24,50	24,08	25,88
35	Angeliki Metheniti	36,00	28,00	30,00	31,33	23,00	26,75	24,25	24,67	28,00
35	Dorothea Chatzikonstantinou	36,75	30,25	29,50	32,17					

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37	Adam Draper					28,25	26,50	26,00	26,92
37	Anisia Zlatari					29,00	29,50	25,50	28,00
37	Bibi Khan	26,25	30,50	28,75	28,50				
37	Hui Yin Tsang (Clement)	26,00	28,00	33,75	29,25				

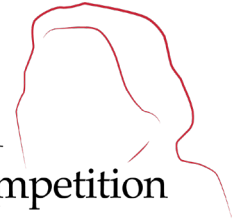
40	Marina Desylla	26,00	29,25	11,50	22,25	27,25	29,25	25,25	27,25	24,75
40	Maria Nikolarakou	25,00	30,75	12,75	22,83	30,50	32,00	29,00	30,50	26,67

45	Laura Bramall	35,25	36,00	34,75	35,33	27,00	30,75	28,00	28,58	31,96
45	Ellen O'Neill					31,00	29,25	27,00	29,08	
45	Oussama El-Fatih	30,50	31,00	30,75	30,75	29,00	31,00	27,75	29,25	30,00
45	Jessica Young	33,50	34,00	33,00	33,50	28,50	29,25	26,75	28,17	30,83

55	Sergiu-Dan Magdas	30,00	23,75	25,75	26,50	30,25	29,00	25,75	28,33	27,42
55	Anca-Ana Sampetean	30,00	31,25	30,50	30,58	35,25	29,50	35,00	33,25	31,92

59	Afonso Mendes					18,25	18,50	23,75	20,17
59	Beatriz Barros					16,00	16,00	21,50	17,83
59	Maria Clara Oliveira Xavier	30,25	31,00	32,25	31,17				
59	Milla Soter Vasconcelos	30,00	29,00	30,75	29,92				

Only 21 orators qualified for the Best Orator prize and based on the scores, **Ella Grodzinski from Team 17 from Inns of Court College of Advocacy (United Kingdom)** was awarded the prize for the **Best Orator** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Athens.

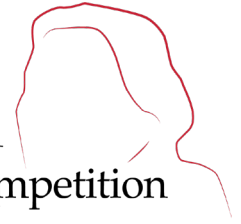


VIRTUAL REGIONAL ROUND KYIV

The Regional Round Kyiv was planned to take place from 4 to 6 March 2022; however, with the start of the war in Ukraine in February, ELSA International decided to postpone the Round to 18-20 March 2022. A total number of 12 teams from the following universities participated in this Regional Round: ZHAW School of Management and Law (Switzerland), Free University Berlin (Germany), WU - Vienna University of Economics and Business (Austria), University of Durham (United Kingdom), University of Wrocław (Poland), Kutafin Moscow State Law University (Russia), University of Antwerp (Belgium), ESADE Law School (Spain), Marmara University (Turkey), Masaryk University (Czech Republic), Eötvös Loránd University (Hungary) and University of Oxford (United Kingdom).

18 judges judged virtual Regional Round Kyiv, and we would like to take this opportunity to thank Ilze Tralmaka, Šárka Dušková, Zuzana Kovalova, Alexandra Suchkova, Ekaterina Sokur, Dainis Pudelis, Jerome Joseph, Jonathan Glasson, Mark Clough, Martin Kopa, Ana Dangova Hug, Foto Pappa, Dicle Ergin, Inita Cima, Tatiana Trussevits, Jenny Sandvig, Dovydas Gudžiūnas and Tamta Shamatava for accepting our invitation and sharing their knowledge and experience with our participants. Additionally, we are grateful to Anastasiia Vorobiova, Andriy Andrusevych, Maksym Dvorovyi, Maksym Dvorovyi, Mykola Gnatovsky, Oleksandr Pavlichenko, Serhii Movchan, Arkadiy Bushchenko, Illia Perehontsev, Max Timofeyev, Roman Iedeliev, Kateryna Rashevskaya, Albina Basista, Mykola Kikkas and Anastasiia Martynovska who accepted our invitation and were willing to contribute to the Regional Round Kyiv as Judges.





AN ORGANISER'S PERSPECTIVE

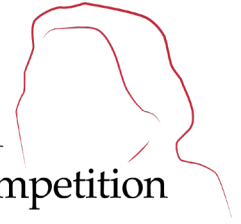
As a hosting group, ELSA Ukraine and ELSA Kyiv were delighted and honoured when we were chosen to host one of the Regional Rounds of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition. When we put forward our candidatures at the National Council Meeting of ELSA Ukraine, organising this event was one of the biggest and most important of our plans. As soon as our candidature was approved, we knew the responsibility which lay on our shoulders and wanted everything to proceed as perfectly as possible.

Soon, when our term started, we began our preparations. It was the first event of such a level for all of us, and we knew that it would not be easy. One of the main issues within the preparation period was the selection of judges. We wanted to invite the best experts in the sphere of human rights in Ukraine and abroad, those who would ensure high-quality and impartial judging. So, we addressed numerous experts from different national and foreign human rights organisations and advocates who protect clients in the European Court of Human Rights. One of the main candidates we wanted to invite was the associate professor from our university – Mykola Hnatovskyi. Later in April this year, he became one of the European Court of Human Rights judges.

In addition, one of the main issues was selecting an appropriate venue. We had different options to decide on, such as the Supreme Court of Ukraine, the High Anti-Corruption Court of Ukraine etc. In the end, we agreed to proceed to the High Anti-Corruption Court, one of the most modern and well-equipped judicial bodies with whom we have already had cooperation experience in the previous events of ELSA Ukraine. We would like to express our deepest gratitude to the administration of the Court for their help and assistance, as well as their youthful readiness to help law students be better professionals.

One of our main desires was to hold the Regional Round in person, where people from all over the world could share their professional experiences and exchange their cultural backgrounds. The first strike for us was when it was decided to hold the Regional Round online based on the evaluation of the Covid-19 pandemic despite all the preparations which had been made to hold it in person. Following this decision, in February, a full-scale war broke out in Ukraine, which did not allow us to organise the Regional Round Kyiv by ourselves. As a result, we had to hand over all the organisational duties to ELSA International upon the agreement of both sides. This event meant a lot to us, and we were excitedly looking forward to holding it and welcoming law students and young lawyers to our capital, Kyiv. I hope that one day when the war ends, we will have such an opportunity, and Kyiv will accept all of its guests with great pleasure and hospitality. From that day on, look forward to discovering Kyiv and the entire Ukraine. See you soon!

Written by Oleksandr Shvaika, Vice President in charge of Moot Court Competitions of ELSA Ukraine and Adil Abduramanov, President of ELSA Ukraine, for the term of 2021/2022



AN ORGANISER'S PERSPECTIVE FROM ELSA INTERNATIONAL

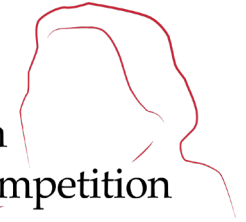
Between 18 and 20 March 2022, the second virtual Regional Round of the 10th HPMCC - Regional Round Kyiv - took place on the virtual platform Coderblock. When we launched the Competition, the Regional Round Kyiv was announced to all externals as the first Regional Round in the row and in our timeline, which was supposed to take place between 4 and 6 March 2022. ELSA Kyiv and ELSA Ukraine started their preparations very early as other Regional Round Organisers and through this period, ELSA International showed its support through regular calls and helping with all possible difficulties. While we were putting our efforts all together to overcome the challenge of the ongoing pandemic and virtualisation of the Regional Rounds, another unexpected strike was waiting for us which affected not just the organisation of the moot court competition, but all the truths that we, as law students and young lawyers, believe in - human rights, the foundation and main objective of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition. With the beginning of the war in Ukraine in February, ELSA International had to postpone the Regional Round Kyiv from 4-6 March 2022 to 18-20 March 2022. From that moment onwards, the organisational responsibilities switched to ELSA International.

First, I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the Organising Committee for the Regional Round Kyiv, including Adil and Oleksandr, for their hard work and dedication throughout the past months. If the circumstances allowed, I do not doubt this Regional Round would be one of the best in the Competition's history. When ELSA International took over organising the Regional Round Kyiv, we proudly continued to act on behalf of ELSA Ukraine and ELSA Kyiv to ensure that this Regional Round reached its purpose set in the beginning. Regional Round Kyiv meant more than a competition to all of the participants involved; Regional Round Kyiv happened as a reminder and proof of what we stand and fight for as an Association - A just world in which there is respect for human dignity and cultural diversity, A world in which human rights are respected.

During the three days of the Regional Round, 12 teams from different countries across Europe came together on a virtual platform, Coderblock, to challenge their knowledge and experience in the field of human rights to secure their places in the Final Oral Round of the Competition.

On the first day of the Regional Round, I and the President of the International Board of ELSA, Francisco Argáez Lima, had the honour of welcoming the teams in the Opening Ceremony which was followed by the speech of Ms Geanina Munteanu, who is working at the Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights and this year, performed as the member of the Academic Board of the HPMCC. After the Opening Ceremony, our participants had the opportunity of learning from the experience of three speakers of the Academic Programme of the Regional Round Kyiv. During the Academic Programme, we were honoured to welcome Ms Sarah Cleveland, Louis Henkin Professor of Human and Constitutional Rights, who delivered the topic of "Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law"; Ms Gráinne de Búrca, Florence Ellinwood Allen Professor of Law, who shared her knowledge on the topic of "Effectiveness of Human Rights". Our last speaker was Mr Arnas Liauksminas, the Lecturer of the Institute of International EU Law Lecturer at Mykolas Romeris University and Associate at the law firm "Ellex Valiunas", and from the last speaker, participants received important information on the topic of "Human Rights in an ever-changing world". We are grateful to all three speakers for accepting our invitation and taking their precious time to be with us during the Academic Programme. We were delighted to see that after

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each topic, we had many participants who actively participated in discussions by asking questions from the speakers.

Days 2 and 3 of the Regional Round Kyiv continued with the pleading of all teams, which the 3-members Bench evaluated. On the last day, we had the Closing Ceremony of the Regional Round, which was opened by Ms Zuzana Kovalova, Case author and the Judge in the Regional Round Kyiv. Following the speech of Ms Kovalova, I had the pleasure of announcing the Best Applicant, Best Respondent and Best Orator of the Regional Round Kyiv.

Organising the Regional Round from scratch in one week was not an easy task; however, with the help of my team and the human rights experts who accepted our invitation to dedicate their time and knowledge to our participants, we managed the unmanageable and achieved finish our preparations on time.

Despite all the challenges, I am pleased and proud that we achieved to make sure that our participants did not leave the Competition with negative impressions and successfully concluded the Regional Round, and I extend my gratitude to all the people who contributed to the Regional Round Kyiv from the beginning till the very end, thank you for joining us in this significant mission. I truly hope that very soon, ELSA Kyiv and ELSA Ukraine will return as the Organiser of the future Regional Rounds of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition and law students from every part of Europe will have the amazing chance to explore the beauties of this country.

*Written by Samira Safarova, Vice President in charge of Academic Activities
of the International Board of ELSA for the term of 2021/2022*



RESULTS

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5	28,00	28,00	28,50	28,17	32,00	31,50	28,50	30,67	29,42
6	29,00	35,50	29,50	31,33	34,50	31,00	30,00	31,83	31,58
7	21,25	21,00	27,50	23,25	13,00	21,25	24,50	19,58	21,42
20	28,00	24,25	18,00	23,42	30,75	30,50	28,75	30,00	26,71
22	28,50	29,75	30,50	29,58	26,00	23,50	20,00	23,17	26,38
23	34,00	37,00	38,25	36,42	32,50	35,25	35,50	34,42	35,42
29	31,75	30,00	27,75	29,83	25,25	30,25	23,50	26,33	28,08
32	21,00	23,75	24,50	23,08	25,00	12,00	8,50	15,17	19,13
36	32,00	18,75	30,00	26,92	32,25	31,50	33,25	32,33	29,63
47	26,00	30,00	22,50	26,17	23,50	27,25	27,75	26,17	26,17
51	35,00	31,75	26,25	31,00	39,25	39,00	37,75	38,67	34,83

Based on the Regional Round scores, **Team 23 from the University of Antwerp, Faculty of Law (Belgium)** got awarded the **Best Applicant** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Kyiv, while **Team 51 from the University of Oxford, Faculty of Law (United Kingdom)** got awarded the **Best Respondent** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Kyiv.

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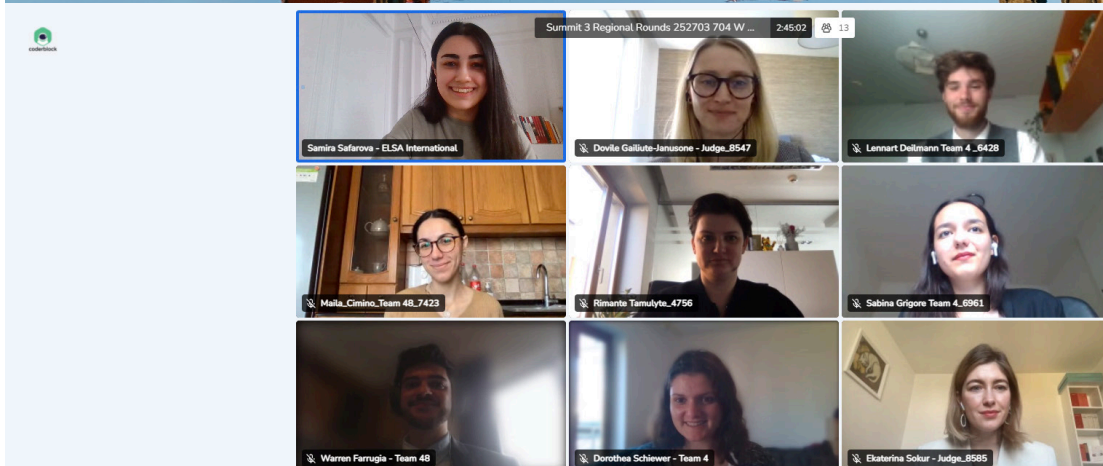
Team No.	Team Members	Applicant				Respondent				Best Orator
		J1	J2	J3	Total	J1	J2	J3	Total	
1	Alkady Nabil	10,75	14,25	12,50	12,50					
1	Kurth Michelle					12,75	22,25	12,50	15,83	
1	Gerber Anna-Sophia	11,25	15,50	9,75	12,17					
1	Jeyabalasingam Esther					12,00	23,50	10,75	15,42	
5	Charlotte Droese									
5	Eva Lasys					32,00	33,25	31,25	32,17	
5	Alexander Schultz	27,00	28,00	27,00	27,33	30,50	32,50	29,25	30,75	29,04
5	Nina Funke	28,00	29,00	28,25	28,42					
6	Stefanie Schöner	28,75	29,00	33,25	30,33					
6	Lena Metz					34,75	31,50	27,50	31,25	
6	Alexander Wilfinger					34,75	31,25	27,50	31,17	
6	Christoph Turecek	28,00	33,75	30,00	30,58					
7	Emily Tan	21,00	21,00	26,25	22,75	13,00	23,25	21,50	19,25	21,00
7	Samya Amir	21,00	21,00	26,00	22,67	14,00	28,00	27,50	23,17	22,92
7	Tiffany Yam	21,00	21,50	17,50	20,00					
7	Laureen Wong					11,75	19,50	22,75	18,00	
20	Witold Podraza	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	31,50	31,00	30,25	30,92	
20	Malgorzata Kocierz	31,50	24,75	21,75	26,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	
20	Wojciech Zmyslowski	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	30,50	29,00	29,50	29,67	
20	Barbara Watek	26,00	23,75	15,25	21,67	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	
22	Valeriy Chelnokov	31,50	29,75	29,00	30,08	26,00	24,00	21,25	23,75	26,92
22	Anastasia Ochir-Goryaeva									
22	Svetlana Gorshkova									
22	Iana Khorova	26,75	29,75	30,00	28,83	23,50	23,00	22,25	22,92	25,88
23	Aurélien Van Walle					29,50	34,25	34,75	32,83	
23	Thomas Naenen	39,25	38,00	33,00	36,75					
23	Kacper Szejter					35,75	35,00	36,25	35,67	
23	Simon Dael	38,00	36,75	34,50	36,42					
29	Adrianna Cecilia Siwady Kattan	32,00	31,00	31,75	31,58					
29	Carmen Caballero García	30,25	28,75	27,25	28,75					
29	Carlos Duncan Vázquez Parra					26,00	25,75	23,00	24,92	
29	Davinia Llecha García					27,50	29,50	22,25	26,42	
32	Eren Evren	23,75	21,00	24,25	23,00	25,25	10,75	7,50	14,50	18,75
32	Adem Esen									
32	Hüsnü Haskırış									
32	Hüseyin Fırat Tunçbel	24,75	25,00	24,00	24,58	20,75	12,50	5,25	12,83	18,71
36	Natálie Polanská	19,00	32,50	33,25	28,25					
36	Martin Bolvanský	15,75	26,50	26,25	22,83					
36	Lenka Psárska					31,50	31,25	33,75	32,17	
36	Anna Kačmaříková					32,50	31,25	32,50	32,08	
47	Ruben Dominik Aczélvári	27,25	29,50	22,50	26,42	29,75	28,50	25,25	27,83	27,13
47	Zsófia Anna Nemes	29,50	32,00	22,50	28,00	29,50	26,50	20,25	25,42	26,71
47	Szabina Varga	24,00	23,00	24,25	23,75	21,00	27,25	27,00	25,08	24,42
51	Disha Anand					38,75	38,50	38,75	38,67	
51	Reuben Andrews	35,00	30,50	26,00	30,50					
51	Weronika Hanna Galka					39,50	39,25	39,25	39,33	
51	Oliver Nathaniel Clement	35,00	33,75	25,50	31,42					

Only 10 orators qualified for the Best Orator prize and based on the scores, **Alexander Schultz from Team 5 from Free University Berlin (Germany)** was awarded the prize for the **Best Orator** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Kyiv.

VIRTUAL REGIONAL ROUND WROCLAW

The Regional Round Wrocław of the 10th HPMCC took place virtually from 25 to 27 March 2022. A total of 19 teams from the following universities participated in this Regional Round: Univerza v Ljubljani (Slovenia), University College Freiburg (Germany), Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski" (Bulgaria), Martin-Luther Universität Halle-Wittenberg (Germany), West University of Timișoara (Romania), Lund University (Sweden), University of Passau (Germany), The Honourable Society of Gran's Inn (United Kingdom), IE University (Spain), Baku State University (Azerbaijan), Université Saint-Louis Bruxelles (Belgium), Tilburg University (Belgium), National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (Greece), University of Malta (Malta), University of Notre Dame (United Kingdom), University of Bergen (Norway), University of Leiden (The Netherlands), University College of Dublin (Ireland), and the University of Silesia in Katowice (Poland).

Virtual Regional Round Wrocław was judged by 24 judges and we would like to take this opportunity to thank Dominika Iwan, Marcin Marcinko, Nika Bruskina, Łukasz Szoszkiewicz, Anna Młynarska-Sobaczewska, Władysław Józwicki, Bartłomiej Wróblewski, Marek Piechowiak, Fanny Holm, Ekaterina Sokur, Inga Abramavičiūtė, Pavel Bureš, Karolina Gierdal, Dainis Pudelis, Janusz Roszkiewicz, Olga Hałub-Kowalczyk, Eglė Neverbickienė, Dovilė Gailiūtė-Janušonė, Rimantė Tamulytė, Aleksandra Mężykowska, Katarina Emeršič Polić, Foto Pappa, Slavica Čubrić, Dovydas Gudžiūnas.



AN ORGANISER'S PERSPECTIVE

The HPMCC Regional Round in Wrocław was a project of ELSA Wrocław that we have all been waiting for, the highlight of our term. The Organising Committee consisted of Maciej Łodziński, President of ELSA Wrocław, Kaja Niewęgłowska, the Director in charge of Human Resources of ELSA Wrocław, Emilia Maćkowiak, the Vice President in charge of Marketing of ELSA Wrocław, and numerous ELSA Wrocław members. In addition, the Academic Programme was put together by Maurycy Oroń, the Vice President in charge of Academic Activities of ELSA Wrocław and Maciej Łodziński, the President of ELSA Wrocław.

We began preparations in October 2021 by establishing the Organising Committee, dividing tasks, and setting deadlines. Initially, we were planning to host the Regional Round physically in Wrocław. However, we kept regular contact with the International Board of ELSA, and due to the ongoing pandemic, we decided to execute the event in the virtual format in early January 2022.

After changing the format, we focused on finding and contacting judges and speakers for the Academic Programme of Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition Regional Round Wrocław. Having moderate success with finding judges, we received help from the international Organizing Committee and could fulfil all the judges' roles.

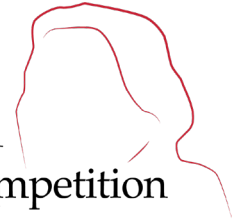
Throughout the preparation phase, we were in constant contact with participants of our Round by i.a., responding to questions and providing updates on the competition. We also planned the Social Programme, which consisted of online games, quizzes, and conversations during this time.

This year we faced another challenge in the shape of a new platform used to conduct the event - Coderblock. Having not worked with the platform before the competition, we made sure that we did our research, participated in the training, and tested the platform ourselves before the Opening Ceremony. In order to allow the event to run smoothly, we provided the judges and participants with a series of video tutorials on how to use the platform, as well as materials regarding the Competition, which included rules and guidelines.

On 25 March 2022, we officially welcomed all participants, judges, and guests of the Regional Round Wrocław. At the beginning of the event, we conducted the Opening Ceremony through the Coderblock platform. During the ceremony, Samira Safarowa, Vice President in charge of Academic Activities of the International Board of ELSA, greeted all attendees, which was later followed by a short speech by Maciej Łodziński, Head of the Organizing Committee. Here, the Organising Committee proceeded with a drawing ceremony and talked everyone through the structure of the weekend. The Ceremony ended with the Organizing Committee wishing everyone the best of luck throughout the competition.

After a lunch break, we proceeded with the Sponsor's Fair, during which we heard a presentation done by Ms Justyna Piasecka from the Bailiffs Chamber in Wrocław. During the presentation, the speaker briefly described the functions of the Chamber, and the job of a bailiff and highlighted the use of new technologies in their work. ELSA Wrocław is grateful for the support they received in order to achieve the highest level of the event and quality awards for the best participants/teams. Then, the participants had the unique opportunity to attend the Academic Programme - lecture on

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‘LGBT+ rights in Europe in relation to ECHR jurisprudence’. Karolina Gierdal, renowned Polish ECHR human rights lawyer and LGBTQ+ activist, shared her experiences with her international practice. She also explained how the ECHR interprets the European Convention on Human Rights and other international acts to achieve equality of rights for non-heteronormative people.

During the following days, Saturday and Sunday, 26 and 27 March 2022, each participating team pleaded before the juries of human rights scholars and practitioners. During each of the sessions, the members of the Organising Committee acted as timekeepers. They “presented the case before the court”, kept track of the time and rules of the competition and assisted in solving technical problems.

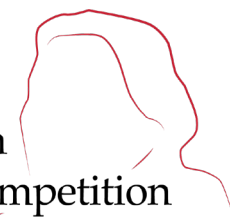
In addition to the pleadings we also planned the Social Programme, which took place on the evening of 25 and 26 March. It was an opportunity for participants and organisers to meet in a more casual atmosphere. On 25 March, the participants were presented with online sightseeing of Wrocław - a substitute for physical sightseeing, followed by a quiz on knowledge of the city. On 26 March, there was even more time for getting to know each other and playing online games like “hangman” or “puns game”.

Finally, the Closing and the Awards Ceremony took place on Sunday evening. Once again, on the virtual stage, the participants “met” on a virtual stage with the organisers. The organisers announced the Best Applicant and the Best Respondent of the Regional Round, followed by the Best Oralist and made short speeches thanking participants, judges, and the Organising Committee. Afterwards, we listened to a speech by one of the judges - prof. Marcin Marcinko from Jagiellonian University, who summed up the event, once again praised the participants and congratulated everyone involved for showing a high level of professionalism in organising this event. This was thus the end of a very intense weekend.

In the end, we would like to thank everyone involved in the organisation of the Regional Round, starting from the International Board of ELSA and the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition Team, for their massive support throughout the whole preparation period, as well as the Judges and Speakers who took their precious time to guide the participants with their knowledge and experience in the field of human rights. We send our congratulations to all participating teams. It was a pleasure to listen to your performances!

Written by Maciej Łodziński, President of ELSA Wrocław 2021/2022 and Alicia Mendoza-Vazques, Coordinator in charge of Judges for Regional Round Wrocław





RESULTS

Team Scores

The teams got the chance to plead twice - once as Applicant and once as Respondent. They were scored on their overall performance as a team by three independent human rights experts. The Regional Round scoring formula can be found in Appendix A of the Rules of the 10th HPMCC as well as in Chapter 4 of this Report. Please find the Team scores in the table below:

Team No.	Applicant				Respondent				Total
	J1	J2	J3	Total	J1	J2	J3	Total	
3	31,00	32,50	33,50	32,33	25,00	32,75	28,00	28,58	30,46
4	28,75	27,25	26,00	27,33	27,75	25,00	24,50	25,75	26,54
9	24,50	23,75	25,00	24,42	29,50	34,25	30,50	31,42	27,92
11	24,50	24,75	35,50	28,25	29,00	29,00		29,00	28,63
13	32,50	36,25	28,50	32,42	32,75	35,50	26,25	31,50	31,96
15	23,75	34,00	29,00	28,92	30,75	32,75	30,75	31,42	30,17
16	26,00	30,50	30,25	28,92	39,50	30,75	37,25	35,83	32,38
27	33,00	34,75	38,50	35,42	30,00	32,25	37,00	33,08	34,25
31	33,75	34,00	33,75	33,83	32,25	28,25	27,75	29,42	31,63
33	24,50	25,75	22,25	24,17	31,00	21,25	24,50	25,58	24,88
34	20,00	26,00	22,25	22,75	22,00	25,00	24,50	23,83	23,29
38	30,50	31,25	24,25	28,67	30,25	36,50	30,50	32,42	30,54
41	32,25	37,50	34,00	34,58	29,00	25,50	32,50	29,00	31,79
48	27,75	27,25	19,00	24,67	30,00	25,00	26,75	27,25	25,96
49	25,75	25,00	27,00	25,92	31,50	33,25	35,50	33,42	29,67
50	39,25	31,00	33,75	34,67	25,00	25,75	26,25	25,67	30,17
52	39,50	34,50	30,00	34,67	35,50	31,50	34,00	33,67	34,17
54	25,50	28,00	27,50	27,00	26,75	28,75	26,00	27,17	27,08
58	25,50	25,50		25,50	27,75	27,25	27,50	27,50	26,50

Based on the Regional Round scores, **Team 27 from the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn (United Kingdom)** got awarded the **Best Applicant** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Wroclaw, while **Team 16 from the University of Passau; Chair of German, European and International Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Law and White-Collar Crime (Germany)** got awarded the **Best Respondent** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Wroclaw.



Individual Scores

In addition to being scored as a team, each orator was scored individually under the same criteria as referenced in Chapter 4 of this Report. Only team members who pleaded as both Applicant and Respondent had the chance to compete for the prize of the Best Orator of the Virtual Regional Round Wrocław. Please find the Individual scores in the table below:

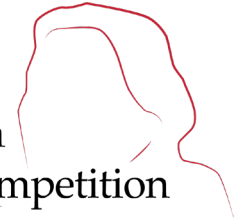
Team No.	Team Members	Applicant				Respondent				Best Orator
		J1	J2	J3	Total	J1	J2	J3	Total	
3	Janina Mikić	28,75	30,00	32,50	30,42	26,25	28,50	28,25	27,67	29,04
3	Sara Klaj	29,25	30,00	31,75	30,33	23,75	27,00	26,00	25,58	27,96
3	Aljoša Kalacanović	29,25	33,00	33,00	31,75	26,50	33,00	28,25	29,25	30,50
3	Vid Lobnik	31,00	32,00	33,00	32,00	29,25	33,00	28,25	30,17	31,08
4	Sarah Angel					29,00	22,75	24,50	25,42	
4	Lennart Deilmann					27,75	27,00	23,00	25,92	
4	Sabina Grigore	30,00	29,25	29,25	29,50					
4	Dorothea Schiewer	28,75	27,75	23,75	26,75					
9	Dafina Chobanova					31,00	35,00	30,50	32,17	
9	Atanas Minchev					26,75	29,50	28,75	28,33	
9	Stanislava Stefanova	25,00	23,50	23,75	24,08					
9	Ivan Iliev	25,00	25,25	22,50	24,25					
11	Elias Zeltner	25,25	24,75	36,25	28,75					
11	Manuel Klein					29,25	28,00		28,63	
11	Tim Borrmann	23,25	24,50	36,25	28,00					
11	Belana Homann					28,75	28,75		28,75	
13	Georgiana Larisa Vlonga	33,00	36,50	28,75	32,75					
13	Iulia Maria Gheju	32,00	35,00	28,75	31,92					
13	Anda Brinduşoni					25,00	35,00	37,75	32,58	
13	Ioana-Mălina Silaş					28,00	31,00	39,00	32,67	
15	Tsiala Khomasuridze					32,50	34,00	31,25	32,58	
15	Cristina Snegur	25,50	34,00	29,00	29,50					
15	Margarida Ravara	22,75	34,00	29,00	28,58					
15	Jordy Esschendal					32,25	30,00	30,50	30,92	
16	Lorenz von Westerholt	29,75	28,25	28,00	28,67					
16	Samuel Kaprálik	26,00	31,00	31,00	29,33	38,25	30,75	34,25	34,42	31,88
16	Veronika Stockinger					39,75	30,00	36,25	35,33	
16	Konstantin Lang					39,50	30,75	34,50	34,92	
27	Naomi Selfridge					29,50	29,75	37,00	32,08	
27	Annie Davis					32,50	30,50	37,25	33,42	
27	Peter Mitchell	35,75	33,75	38,50	36,00					
27	Robert Watt	31,75	35,25	39,00	35,33					
31	Annemie Heubach					32,50	28,00	28,00	29,50	
31	Clara Sauer	33,25	33,25	32,75	33,08					
31	Cristina Fiorillo	34,25	33,75	35,75	34,58					
31	Viola Bosisio					32,50	28,75	27,25	29,50	
33	Leyli Ahmadova					26,75	22,75	20,00	23,17	
33	Aytaj Mammadova	24,50	25,50	23,25	24,42					
33	Firavan Alizada	24,25	27,50	20,25	24,00					
33	Javidan Sevdimli					32,00	35,50	32,50	33,33	
34	Clarisse Fagard	19,00	22,50	22,75	21,42					
34	Lina El Gouraini					22,25	26,00	25,00	24,42	
34	Clémentine Nolet de Brauwere	17,50	25,00	20,50	21,00					
34	Louise Vanden Abeele					20,75	24,00	25,00	23,25	

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38	Hailey Marie Ciantar					30,50	35,75	27,75	31,33	
38	Sanne van Weelde					31,25	37,25	33,25	33,92	
38	Amalia Kurniawati	23,25	28,50	29,00	26,92					
38	Alexander Kirov	22,50	28,25	34,25	28,33					
41	Sofia Magaliou					26,25	24,00	32,00	27,42	
41	Dimitra Theotoki	31,50	35,00	36,00	34,17	26,00	24,50	30,25	26,92	30,54
41	Lydia Vasiliki Kyriakopoulou	30,75	33,00	35,25	33,00					
41	Alexandros Avramis	33,00	34,00	38,75	35,25	34,25	26,50	34,25	31,67	33,46
48	Warren Farrugia	27,50	25,25	20,50	24,42	27,75	25,00	25,00	25,92	25,17
48	Maila Cimino	27,75	26,00	17,75	23,83	28,75	25,00	27,00	26,92	25,38
48	Nicole Carabott	28,75	27,75	20,75	25,75	26,50	25,00	27,50	26,33	26,04
49	Drake Stobie	27,50	24,00	29,00	26,83	34,50	35,50	32,75	34,25	30,54
49	Taylor Wewers	26,00	25,25	24,00	25,08	29,75	34,75	32,50	32,33	28,71
50	Carl Victor Waldenstrom	37,50	33,50	32,00	34,33					
50	Eline Sandnes Fosse	36,25	33,25	31,75	33,75					
50	Rahman Akhtar Chaudhry					23,75	27,25	27,75	26,25	
50	Martine Berg Melfald					23,25	24,50	27,25	25,00	
52	Charlie JP Bennett					33,75	31,00	36,00	33,58	
52	Alexandra M Masek					34,25	31,00	36,00	33,75	
52	Johanna Van Hooft	40,00	30,00	34,50	34,83					
52	Swetha Sethubaskaran	36,75	30,00	32,50	33,08					
54	Ayomide Adebambo	29,25	30,00	28,00	29,08					
54	Lyn Zoe Schwarzhaupt					28,75	26,75	27,00	27,50	
54	Sarah Devaney	22,50	24,50	25,00	24,00	29,50	27,75	25,25	27,50	25,75
54	Hélène Angles									
58	Wiktoria Szweda	26,00	25,25		25,63	30,00	32,25	26,00	29,42	27,52
58	Nikola Lewicka	25,50	26,75		26,13	26,25	25,00	27,75	26,33	26,23

Only 15 orators qualified for the Best Orator prize, and based on the scores, **Alexandros Avramis from Team 41 from Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (Greece)** was awarded the prize for the **Best Orator** prize of the Virtual Regional Round Wroclaw.



QUALIFICATION SCORES

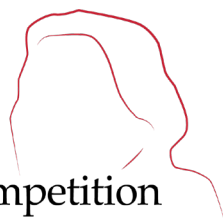
Based on their scores in the Written Submissions and the Regional Rounds, each weighting 50% of the Qualification Score, 18 teams were selected for the Final Oral Round. In the 10th Edition, ELSA International has adopted a measure of allowing 19 teams to the Final Oral Round instead of 18, namely allowing one additional team from Ukraine to participate directly in the Final Oral Round without meeting the requirement of participating in one of the Virtual Regional Rounds.

Qualification Score was calculated according to the formula in Appendix A of the Rules of the 10th HPMCC:

$$\frac{WSS + RRS}{2}$$

Please find qualification scores in the table below:

Team No.	University	WS score	RR score	RR	Total
51	University of Oxford, Faculty of Law	33,44	34,83	Kyiv	34,14
19	University of Birmingham, Birmingham Law School	32,88	35,29	Athens	34,08
16	University of Passau; Chair of German, European and International Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Law and White-Collar Crime	35,06	32,38	Wroclaw	33,72
3	Univerza v Ljubljani, Pravna fakulteta	36,13	30,46	Wroclaw	33,29
17	Inns of Court College of Advocacy	32,19	34,25	Athens	33,22
31	IE University, Law School	33,94	31,63	Wroclaw	32,78
10	Comenius University in Bratislava, Faculty of Law	33,94	31,54	Athens	32,74
41	Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens	33,44	31,79	Wroclaw	32,61
52	Universiteit Leiden (Leiden University), Faculty of Law	31,06	34,17	Wroclaw	32,61
27	The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn	30,94	34,25	Wroclaw	32,59
6	WU - Vienna University of Economics and Business, Institute for European and International Law	32,25	31,58	Kyiv	31,92
23	University of Antwerp, Faculty of law	28,19	35,42	Kyiv	31,80
12	University of Cologne, Law Faculty	30,63	32,54	Athens	31,58
45	City, University of London	30,31	31,71	Athens	31,01
38	Tilburg University, Tilburg Law School	31,31	30,54	Wroclaw	30,93
15	Lund University, Faculty of Law	31,13	30,17	Wroclaw	30,65
11	Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg, Juristische Fakultät	32,56	28,63	Wroclaw	30,59
13	West University of Timișoara, Faculty of Law	28,88	31,96	Wroclaw	30,42
5	Free University Berlin	30,75	29,42	Kyiv	30,08
25	Higher School of Economics, Faculty of Law	31,06	28,67	Athens	29,86
9	Sofia University "St. Kliment Ohridski"	31,25	27,92	Wroclaw	29,58



34	Université Saint-Louis Bruxelles	35,56	23,29	Wroclaw	29,43
14	Universidad Pontificia Comillas	24,50	33,79	Athens	29,15
22	Kutafin Moscow State Law University	31,63	26,38	Kyiv	29,00
35	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Law Faculty	30,50	27,29	Athens	28,90
50	University of Bergen, Faculty of Law	27,19	30,17	Wroclaw	28,68
26	University of National and World Economy, Faculty of Law (Sofia)	25,56	31,58	Athens	28,57
47	Eötvös Loránd University Faculty of Law	30,75	26,17	Kyiv	28,46
55	Babes-Bolyai University, Faculty of Law	25,06	29,29	Athens	27,18
48	University of Malta, Faculty of Laws	28,06	25,96	Wroclaw	27,01
36	Masaryk University, Faculty of Law	23,88	29,63	Kyiv	26,75
29	ESADE Law School	24,44	28,08	Kyiv	26,26
58	University of Silesia in Katowice, Faculty of Law and Administration	25,75	26,50	Wroclaw	26,13
20	University of Wrocław	24,88	26,71	Kyiv	25,79
40	Faculty of Law- Democritus University of Thrace, Greece	24,75	26,33	Athens	25,54
54	University College Of Dublin	23,63	27,08	Wroclaw	25,35
37	University of Southampton Law School	21,50	28,75	Athens	25,13
49	University of Notre Dame (London Law Programme)	19,50	29,67	Wroclaw	24,58
21	Queen Mary University of London, School of Law	22,38	25,50	Athens	23,94
4	University College Freiburg, Albert-Ludwigs University of Freiburg	21,19	26,54	Wroclaw	23,86
33	Baku State University, Faculty of Law	21,25	24,88	Wroclaw	23,06
18	Charles University, Faculty of Law	22,00	23,75	Athens	22,88
59	Law Faculty of the University of Coimbra	20,06	24,50	Athens	22,28
7	University of Durham	18,19	21,42	Kyiv	19,80
32	Marmara University, Faculty of Law	17,94	19,13	Kyiv	18,53
1	ZHAW School of Management and Law	20,19	14,54	Kyiv	17,36
30	National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy	31,31	Canceled its participation		
56	University of Exeter	25,25	Canceled its participation		
8	Institute of International Relations of Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv	22,69	Canceled its participation		
28	Sumy National Agrarian University	20,63	-	-	-
39	Ural State Law University	18,81	Canceled its participation		
53	University of Bristol	19,50	Canceled its participation		
43	Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv, Faculty of Law	18,31	Canceled its participation		
57	Universities of Perugia, Milan and Salento	13,69	Canceled its participation		
2	Dublin City University	Disqualified in WSs Round			
24	Eurasia International University, Faculty (Chair) of Law	Disqualified in WSs Round			
42	Istanbul University Law School	Disqualified in WSs Round			
44	University of Gdańsk, Faculty of Law and Administration	Disqualified in WSs Round			
46	Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznan	Disqualified in WSs Round			

FINAL ORAL ROUND

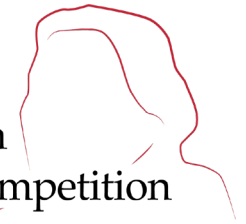
For its 10th Anniversary, the Final Oral Round of the HPMCC welcomed 19 teams from 12 countries in Europe to Strasbourg, after facing the global challenge of the Covid-19 pandemic which did not allow us to be together for 2 years in a row. Following the tradition of years, the Final Oral Round took place at the Palais de l'Europe, with its Grand Final taking place at the European Court of Human Rights.



The Final Oral Round took place between 9 and 13 May 2022 and was opened by the speech of the Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Permanent Representative of Spain, Mr Manuel Montobbio, on behalf of the Winning team of the 9th Edition, which was followed by the speech of the Vice President in charge of Academic Activities of the International Board of ELSA - Ms Samira Safarova. During the Opening Ceremony, the order and the team roles for the Preliminary Rounds of the Final Oral Round were decided by the draw conducted by ELSA International. The first day of the Final Oral Round also marked the Academic Programme which was delivered by two current Judges of the European Court of Human Rights. The first speaker was Ms Anja Seibert-Fohr from Germany and she shared her knowledge and experience on the topic of "Upholding the Rule of Law through Interregional Human Rights Dialogue". Mr Latif Huseynov from Azerbaijan delivered the second part of the Academic Programme on the topic of "The European Court of Human Rights and Global challenges". In the end, participants were given the opportunity to address their questions to both speakers during the Q&A session.



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For the second and third days of the Final Oral Round, the Preliminary Rounds took place where all of the qualified teams pleaded once on behalf of each party - Applicant and Respondent before the 3-members Bench. As a result of the scores of the Preliminary Rounds, only 8 teams were qualified for the Quarter-Finals. On the third day, 11 May, all participants were invited to the Mid-Ceremony organised by the City of Strasbourg in the City Hall. The Mid-Ceremony was opened by the speech of the Deputy Mayor of Strasbourg, Ms Christelle Wierder, followed by the announcement of the teams that qualified for the Quarter Finals. The fourth day of the Final Oral Round started with the Quarter Finals, and during the lunch break, the Semi-Finalists were announced by ELSA International. After the announcement, the Semi-Finals took place on the second part of the day and during the Semi-Finals, team performances were evaluated by the Bench consisting of 7 esteemed Judges. Finally, the last day started with the Strasbourg tour for the participants, which was provided by the Office De Tourisme De Strasbourg Et Sa Région. The Grand Final took place at the European Court of Human Rights and was evaluated by the 9-member Bench consisting of Ms Zuzana Kovalova, Ms Slavica Čubrić, Ms Anna Maralyan, Ms Geanina Munteanu, Mr Dmytro Tretyakov, Mr Kresimir Kamber, Mr Mark Clough QC and it was presided by Mr Latif Huseynov who has been acting as a Judge of the European Court of Human Rights from 2017. As the official ending of the Final Oral Round, the Closing and Award Ceremony was held which was opened by the Mr Daniel Holtgen, Director for Communications, on behalf of the Secretary-General of the Council of Europe which was followed by the welcoming speeches of the Deputy to the Permanent Representative of Italy, Chair of the Ministers' Deputies, Mr Raffaele Festa and Permanent Representative of Spain, Mr Ambassador Manuel Montobbie. Following the speeches, the Award Ceremony was held where the Winner of the 10th HPMCC was announced by ELSA International.





The Judges score the teams based on 4 individual criteria in all the phases of the Final Oral Round, each weighting equally:

1. **Identification of legal issues and relevant legal framework:** This ground sought to assess the team's general understanding of the case and the issues it raises.
2. **Knowledge of ECHR and relevant caselaw:** This ground sought to judge the extent of the team's technical ECHR knowledge.
3. **Quality of legal analysis and persuasiveness of arguments:** This ground concerned the overall persuasiveness of the team's pleadings and legal analysis.
4. **Style:** This ground addressed issues of presentation and accessibility.

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

In its 10th Edition, 34 Judges contributed to the Final Oral Round with their time, energy and knowledge. We would like to thank all of them: Simon Palmer, Zuzana Kovalova, Slavica Čubrić, Anna Maralyan, Geanina Munteanu, Emiliya Ramazanova, Tara Beattie, Oana Girlescu, Zhargal Budaev, Mahmut Can Senyurt, Dmytro Tretyakov, Jerome Joseph, Katerina Lazana, Mihail Stojanoski, Jeremy McBride, Natalia Vorobyeva, Pamela McCormick, Ekaterina Sokur, Zvonimir Mataga, Ana Dangova Hug, Šárka Dušková, Daniel Andras Karsai, Ulviya Hasanova, Hildur Hjörvar, Matylda Pogorzelska, Franka Viljac Herceg, Natalia Kobylarz, Rafał Sokół, Gulara Abdullayeva, Kresimir Kamber, Mark Clough QC, Francesca Camilleri Vettiger, Diana Lupu and Latif Huseynov, for giving us the honour and pleasure of welcoming them to the Final Oral Round as a Judge and learning from their immense knowledge and experience in the field of human rights which is the outcome of hard work of many years.



TEAM SCORES

Preliminary Rounds

8 Teams qualifying for the Quarter-Finals are marked green in the table below:

Team No.	Applicant				Respondent				Total
	J1	J2	J3	Total	J1	J2	J3	Total	
3	29,75	28,00	27,50	28,42	30,00	32,00	32,00	31,33	29,88
6	29,50	30,38	29,25	29,71	28,75	35,50	34,50	32,92	31,31
10	31,75	34,75	33,75	33,42	20,00	15,00	17,00	17,33	25,38
11	19,75	21,75	24,25	21,92	29,75	28,00	29,50	29,08	25,50
12	27,50	27,50	26,75	27,25	27,50	30,00	27,50	28,33	27,79
13	21,25	22,50	23,00	22,25	36,00	31,75	33,00	33,58	27,92
15	28,25	31,00	27,75	29,00	29,25	33,00	32,25	31,50	30,25
16	34,00	33,00	36,75	34,58	32,00	37,50	36,75	35,42	35,00
17	25,75	29,75	29,00	28,17	31,75	32,75	31,25	31,92	30,04
19	30,50	33,00	32,75	32,08	35,25	27,50	32,25	31,67	31,88
23	21,25	18,25	21,00	20,17	30,00	29,25	32,00	30,42	25,29
27	31,13	29,50	32,50	31,04	33,25	35,00	33,25	33,83	32,44
28	29,50	29,50	28,00	29,00	24,25	28,00	25,00	25,75	27,38
31	37,25	34,00	37,25	36,17	21,75	31,25	29,00	27,33	31,75
38	33,50	28,00	27,75	29,75	29,00	26,25	29,50	28,25	29,00
41	31,00	31,50	33,75	32,08	27,75	30,00	27,00	28,25	30,17
45	34,00	33,00	32,75	33,25	31,00	31,00	36,50	32,83	33,04
51	34,00	35,50	33,00	34,17	32,25	29,75	34,00	32,00	33,08
52	30,00	29,50	28,25	29,75	33,25	32,25	31,50	32,33	31,04

Quarter-Final Rounds

4 Teams qualifying for the Semi-Final Rounds are marked green in the table below:

	Applicant						Respondent						Total
Team No.	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	Total	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	Total	
Quarter Final Round 1													
16	38,50	36,50	38,75	38,00	38,50	38,05							38,05
52							35,00	35,25	36,25	34,00	33,25	34,75	34,75
Quarter Final Round 2													
51	35,50	35,50	35,00	37,50	34,00	35,50							35,50
6							33,25	35,50	34,00	32,00	31,75	33,30	33,30
Quarter Final Round 3													
45	23,75	35,00	34,00	36,00	32,25	32,20							32,20
31							30,00	35,00	35,75	35,25	37,00	34,60	34,60
Quarter Final Round 4													
27	33,00	35,25	30,75	31,75	32,75	32,70							32,70
19							34,25	37,00	33,50	32,75	33,50	34,20	34,20

Semi-Final Rounds

Teams qualifying for the Grand Final of the 10th HPMCC are marked green in the table below.

Team No.	Applicant								Respondent							
	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	Total	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	Total
Semi Final Round 1																
16	39,5 0	36,0 0	36,2 5	39,7 5	36,0 0	35,0 0	30,5 0	36,14								
19									30,0 0	36,0 0	36,0 0	37,0 0	34,0 0	32,0 0	33,7 5	34,11
Semi Final Round 2																
31	32,7 5	30,2 5	35,7 5	33,7 5	34,2 5	34,2 5	32,0 0	33,29								
51									36,0 0	31,0 0	31,5 0	34,7 5	35,0 0	34,2 5	33,7 5	33,75

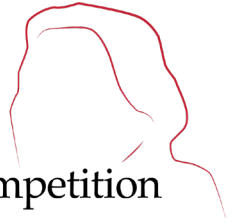
The Grand Final

Based on the scores of 9 judges, **Team 51 from the University of Oxford, Faculty of Law (United Kingdom)** was announced the **Winner of the 10th Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition (HPMCC)** and **Team 16 from the University of Passau; Chair of German, European and International Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Law and White-Collar Crime (Germany)** was announced the **Runner-Up** during the Award Ceremony on the 13th of May 2022.

Please find the results in the table below:

Team No.	Applicant									
	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	J8	J9	Total
16	37,00	35,00	35,25	35,00	37,00	35,00	37,00	37,00	35,00	35,92

Team No.	Respondent									
	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	J8	J9	Total
51	35,00	37,00	37,50	37,00	37,00	37,00	37,00	35,00	35,00	36,39



WINNER'S PERSPECTIVE

We were thrilled to participate in the 10th edition of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition on behalf of the University of Oxford - the opportunity to plead in the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights was a truly unforgettable experience.

We began to prepare for our HPMCC journey, with the immeasurable support of our coach Ashleigh Barnes, right after learning we were selected to represent Oxford in late October 2021. As none of us had, at that point, much background knowledge of the fine details of environmental law, we greatly enjoyed the process of familiarising ourselves with a completely new branch of law.

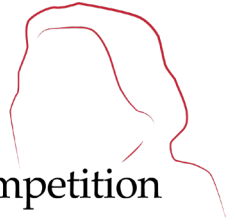
We spent the weeks that followed attempting to balance case-law research with our studies and participating in seemingly endless Teams meetings, some of which ran well into the evening hours. Despite the challenges of, at one point, having to accommodate our meetings to fit 12-hour time differences, divergences between the team members' opinions on what strategy to adopt, and, finally, the task of ensuring all of our footnotes were in the right place, we successfully submitted our written pleadings in December.

After the Christmas break, we began preparing for the Regional Rounds. We held many practice pleading sessions, with the shape of our submissions improving from moot to moot. As we were informed in advance that the pleadings would take place remotely, we yet again relied on technology to adapt our manner of presentation to the demands of online mooting.

We, together with the entire world, were shocked by the Russian invasion of Ukraine in February 2022. As one of the teams assigned to the Kyiv Regional Round, we quickly realised that in light of the tragic events and the primacy of ensuring the safety of Ukrainian organisers of the Regional Round, the competition schedule will have to be amended. We would like to thank everyone from ELSA for their efforts in ensuring the Regional Round could still proceed and that Ukrainian teams still had the means of participating in the competition despite the events which have unfolded since.



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During the rescheduled Regional Rounds, we faced teams from Austria and Turkey. Despite the challenges of pleading in a virtual environment heavily reliant on the strength of all participants' internet connections, we were very happy to see that all teams have adapted well and have done their best during the pleadings. Being able to compete against teams from other countries and argue both sides of our case against an opponent with a completely new set of arguments was a very valuable learning exercise for us.

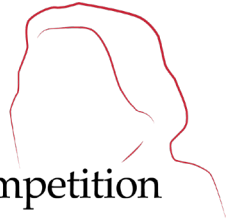
Upon receiving the news we had ranked 1st in the Regional Rounds, we immediately began preparing for the Final Rounds and planning our trip to Strasbourg. However, as soon as we entered the Council of Europe, we knew that all our months of preparation were worth it. Being able to meet and plead against other teams from all over Europe, as well as learn about the Court's case law and Council of Europe's operation from experts in the field, was a true joy - in the Preliminary Rounds, Quarter-finals and Semi-finals we had the pleasure of competing against teams from Ukraine, Slovenia, Austria, and Spain.

After the closely-contested Semi-finals, we were thrilled to learn that we have progressed to the Grand Final - knowing that we managed to improve our university's placement in comparison to the 9th edition gave us even more motivation to do our best in the Grand Final, where we plead against a team from Germany. It is difficult to describe the experience of arguing a case in the Grand Chamber of the European Court of Human Rights; standing in front of the bench, we could truly feel the gravitas of the Court's task.

We would like to thank all organisers of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition, as well as all of the judges who adjudicated the moot proceedings, for taking the time to organise the competition. We are truly honoured to have been declared the winners of this year's edition and cannot wait to come back to Strasbourg to participate in our internships and learn more about the Council of Europe and its mission.

*Written by Disha Anand, Reuben Andrews, Weronika Hanna Galka, Oliver Nathaniel Clement
Ashleigh Barnes, Team 51 - University of Oxford - Winners of the 10th HPMCC*





RUNNER UP'S PERSPECTIVE

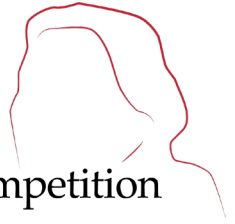
Our Helga Pedersen Moot Court journey started in July 2021, when the four of us were elected to represent the University of Passau for the 10th edition of the competition. We were very excited about the opportunity to participate and to learn more about the European Convention of Human Rights. During our first meeting, we quickly realised that we were a very motivated and passionate team. Reaching the Final Round in Strasbourg was set as our primary goal, for which we were ready to invest time and effort. However, we also agreed that we would not sacrifice our team spirit for success but rather enjoy our common moot journey. Throughout this journey, we were accompanied by our invaluable coaches, Romina Milles and Veronika Kolitz, who provided us with immense support. None of us had had any mooting experience, so we were very excited to see how far we would come as a team.

The hard work started right when the case was published in September. As Climate Change is a new and complex phenomenon, this year's topic was a unique and especially interesting one. After reading and analysing the case for the first time, we knew creativity was needed to face these exceptional legal issues. Hence, what followed were months of hard work consisting of many coffee cups, endless (but very entertaining) legal discussions and detailed formatting of footnotes. Finally, as we submitted our Written Submissions in December, we were confident that we had given ourselves a chance to achieve our big goal of reaching the Final Round.

The new year brought new challenges. Guided by our two coaches, we drafted our oral pleadings and started practising for the virtual Regional Round in Wrocław. This was a whole new experience, but we enjoyed our weekly practice sessions, all the tricky questions from our coaches and the new arguments we were able to defend on both sides. It was very rewarding to see how we all developed our pleading skills during this time.



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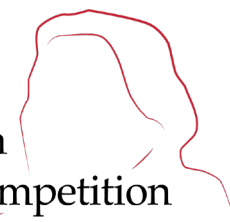
When the virtual Regional Round in Wrocław arrived at end of March, it was very exciting to finally meet the other teams and to respond to their arguments, as well as to discuss with the judges. Our hard work was rewarded, and our team won the Best Respondent Team of the Regional Round award in Wrocław.

Shortly after, we were thrilled to find out that we reached the 3rd place in the Regional Rounds and thus qualified for the Final Oral Round in Strasbourg. The week in Strasbourg was one of the best yet most challenging experiences we have had during our studies so far. To meet so many motivated teams, to be able to argue and discuss with leading human rights experts, and to experience the atmosphere of pleading in front of the judges truly was an unforgettable experience. The highlight was the qualification for the Grand Final and the possibility to plead in the Grand Chamber of the European Court of Human Rights. Here, we enjoyed a great legal battle with the University of Oxford in front of 9 judges, who challenged us with tricky, but interesting questions.

In the end, we left Strasbourg as the Runner-Up team of the 10th Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition. On top of that, we won the prize for the Best Written Submission of the Respondent. Our two wonderful orators, Lorenz von Westerholt and Konstantin Lang, also won individual prizes for best orators of the Quarter-, Semi- and Grand Final. But we have won far more than “only” the official awards. The competition gave us the opportunity to pursue our passion for human rights, grow as a team and discover our strengths. Last but not least, it motivates us to follow the journey of human rights in the future. While our Moot Court journey has come to an end, we do believe that another professional journey is only starting. With this, we want to sincerely thank ELSA International for creating this great possibility.

*Written by Samuel Kaprálik, Konstantin Lang, Veronika Stockinger and Lorenz von Westerholt,
Team 16 - University of Passau, Runner Up of the 10th HPMCC*





INDIVIDUAL SCORES

Preliminary Rounds

Each orator received individual scores based on the same scoring criteria as used for the Team Score. In order to compete for the Best Orator of the Preliminary Rounds award, the orator had to plead for both Applicant and Respondent and the following table gives an overview of each of 24 orators eligible to compete for the Best Orator of the Preliminary Rounds award.

Team Members	Applicant				Respondent				Best Orator
	J1	J2	J3	Total	J1	J2	J3	Total	
Janina Mikič	28,25	23,75	28,00	26,67	30,00	31,75	35,00	32,25	29,46
Sara Klaj									
Aljoša Kalacanovič	26,00	25,00	31,50	27,50	26,75	31,50	30,00	29,42	28,46
Vid Lobnik	28,25	28,75	24,50	27,17	27,75	32,00	30,00	29,92	28,54
Stefanie Schöner	31,75	33,50	33,00	32,75					
Lena Metz					30,50	35,50	34,25	33,42	
Alexander Wilfinger					26,25	33,50	33,75	31,17	
Christoph Turecek	25,50	27,25	29,75	27,50					
Soňa Juhásová	33,00	36,00	36,50	35,17					
Barbara Strempeková					18,50	15,00	15,00	16,17	
Barbora Lenka Pučková					20,00	15,25	20,00	18,42	
Jakub Kmet'	28,25	31,75	30,50	30,17					
Elias Zeltner	18,25	22,50	27,25	22,67					
Manuel Klein					30,00	31,00	29,00	30,00	
Tim Borrmann	20,50	23,00	21,50	21,67					
Belana Homann					26,00	28,25	30,00	27,13	
Philipp Terfurth	26,50	27,75	24,75	26,33	27,50	32,00	26,25	28,58	27,46
Karin Schröder	28,75	31,25	27,00	29,00	28,25	32,50	25,00	28,58	28,79
Greta Maria Goss	26,50	25,00	24,75	25,42	27,50	34,25	31,75	31,17	28,29
Sharon Woamede	27,50	28,25	29,25	28,33	26,50	29,00	25,00	26,83	27,58
Georgiana Larisa Vlonga	22,00	21,25	20,75	21,33					
Iulia Maria Gheju	23,25	22,50	22,25	22,67					
Anda Brîndușoni					33,75	30,75	30,75	31,75	
Ioana-Mălina Silaș					38,75	31,50	32,25	34,17	
Tsiala Khomasuridze					29,00	32,25	33,75	31,67	
Cristina Snegur	23,50	30,00	26,25	26,58					
Margarida Ravara	25,00	32,50	30,50	29,33					
Jordy Esschendal					29,50	33,00	30,00	30,83	
Lorenz von Westerholt	35,00	33,00	36,25	34,75					
Samuel Kaprálik	33,00	35,00	33,50	33,83	29,75	37,25	32,25	33,08	33,46
Veronika Stockinger					31,75	37,00	32,00	33,58	
Konstantin Lang					32,00	37,75	37,50	35,75	
Katherine Walton	23,00	29,25	28,25	26,83	30,75	33,00	29,50	31,08	28,96
Iona Branford	27,50	32,50	28,25	29,42	30,50	33,00	29,25	30,92	30,17
Emma Meadows	20,00	28,50	27,00	25,17	28,25	32,00	27,00	29,08	27,13
Ella Grodzinski	24,25	32,75	29,00	28,67	31,50	33,00	30,75	31,75	30,21

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Eoin Campbell	31,50	32,25	33,75	32,50				
Annabel Hale	29,25	30,00	31,25	30,17				
Conrad Alroe					36,00	29,50	33,75	33,08
Oluwabusola Fadipe					34,50	26,00	30,00	30,17

Aur�lie Van Walle					29,25	29,75	32,50	30,50
Thomas Naenen	19,75	15,75	21,00	18,83				
Kacper Szejter					26,75	29,50	33,00	29,75
Simon Dael	21,25	17,50	20,75	19,83				

Naomi Selfridge					33,75	34,75	33,25	33,92
Annie Davis					32,00	34,75	33,50	33,42
Peter Mitchell	29,00	26,00	29,25	28,08				
Robert Watt	33,25	32,50	32,50	32,75				

Polina Shyshlevska	29,25	27,50	28,25	28,33	24,25	28,00	25,00	25,75	27,04
Daria Kravchenko					23,75	29,00	24,00	25,58	
Blessing John Ibanga									
Kyrychenko Viktoriia	29,75	28,50	28,00	28,75	24,00	27,00	24,00	25,00	26,88

Annemie Heubach	36,75	33,50	34,50	34,92	27,50	26,25	29,00	27,58	31,25
Clara Sauer									
Cristina Fiorillo	37,75	35,75	38,25	37,25	32,25	35,00	35,50	34,25	35,75
Viola Bosisio									

Hailey Marie Ciantar	33,50	29,00	26,75	29,75	28,00	25,50	27,50	27,00	28,38
Sanne van Weelde	34,25	28,75	31,75	31,58	29,00	31,25	32,50	30,92	31,25
Amalia Kurniaputri									
Alexander Kirov	33,25	29,25	26,75	29,75					

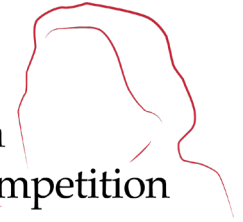
Sofia Magaliou					28,00	30,00	25,75	27,92	
Dimitra Theotoki	30,25	31,25	35,00	32,17	28,75	30,00	27,00	28,58	30,38
Lydia Vasiliki Kyriakopoulou	27,50	29,75	30,00	29,08					
Alexandros Avramis	31,75	32,75	35,75	33,42	27,00	28,75	25,25	27,00	30,21

Laura Bramall	30,00	30,75	37,00	32,58	32,00	34,00	37,00	34,33	33,46
Oussama El-Fatih									
Ellen O'Neill	34,00	34,50	35,25	34,58	34,00	32,75	38,00	34,92	34,75
Jessica Young	34,00	32,75	34,50	33,75	28,00	26,00	36,50	30,17	31,96

Disha Anand					32,25	29,25	34,00	31,83	
Reuben Andrews	34,50	35,00	32,00	33,83					
Weronika Hanna Galka					32,25	29,50	34,00	31,92	
Oliver Nathaniel Clement	34,50	36,00	35,00	35,17					

Charlie JP Bennett	30,00	29,00	27,00	28,67	33,50	30,50	33,00	32,33	30,50
Alexandra M Masek					32,25	29,75	31,50	31,17	
Johanna Van Hoof	28,75	30,75	29,00	29,50					
Swetha Sethubaskaran	30,25	29,75	25,00	28,33					

Based on their scores during the Preliminary Rounds, **Cristina Fiorillo** from Team 31 from IE University, Law School (Spain), and **Ellen O'Neill** from Team 45 from City, University of London (United Kingdom) were awarded the prize of Best Orator of the Preliminary Rounds.

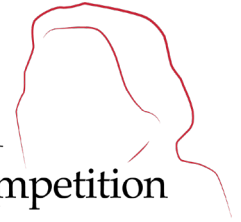


Quarter-Final Rounds

As opposed to the Preliminary Rounds, the Quarter Final Rounds only let teams plead on behalf of one party (Applicant or Respondent). Therefore, all the team members pleading during the Quarter-Finals were eligible for the Best Orator of the Quarter-Finals award.

Team No.	Team Members	Applicant						Respondent					
		J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	Score	J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	Score
6	Stefanie Schöner												
6	Lena Metz							33,75	35,50	37,00	33,00	32,00	34,25
6	Alexander Wilfinger							32,00	35,00	35,00	30,00	31,00	32,60
6	Christoph Turecek												
16	Lorenz von Westerholt	37,50	37,50	39,25	39,00	38,50	38,35						
16	Samuel Kaprálik	36,75	39,00	38,00	35,50	35,75	37,00						
16	Veronika Stockinger												
16	Konstantin Lang												
19	Eoin Campbell												
19	Annabel Hale												
19	Conrad Alroe							34,25	37,75	33,50	35,25	34,00	34,95
19	Oluwabusola Fadipe							31,25	36,25	32,25	31,00	33,00	32,75
27	Naomi Selfridge												
27	Annie Davis												
27	Peter Mitchell	32,25	30,50	27,50	29,50	29,75	29,90						
27	Robert Watt	38,25	34,25	32,25	36,25	33,50	34,90						
31	Annemie Heubach							32,50	32,00	35,50	34,75	35,00	33,95
31	Clara Sauer												
31	Cristina Fiorillo							30,00	35,75	35,00	35,75	37,00	34,70
31	Viola Bosisio												
45	Laura Bramall	22,50	32,75	34,25	35,00	31,00	31,10						
45	Oussama El-Fatih												
45	Ellen O'Neill	26,25	34,00	31,50	37,00	33,50	32,45						
45	Jessica Young	23,75	32,50	31,50	35,00	32,75	31,10						
51	Disha Anand												
51	Reuben Andrews	34,25	35,00	35,50	35,00	33,00	34,55						
51	Weronika Hanna Galka												
51	Oliver Nathaniel Clement	39,25	37,00	35,75	35,50	35,00	36,50						
52	Charlie JP Bennett							36,00	36,00	37,00	34,25	33,25	35,30
52	Alexandra M Masek							35,00	34,00	36,25	33,50	31,25	34,00
52	Johanna Van Hooft												
52	Swetha Sethubaskaran												

Based on their scores during Quarter-Final Rounds, **Lorenz von Westerholt** from Team 16 from University of Passau; Chair of German, European and International Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Law and White-Collar Crime (Germany) was awarded the prize **Best Orator of the Quarter Finals**.



Semi-Final Rounds

Semi-Finals only let teams plead on behalf of one party (Applicant or Respondent), as it was the case in the Quarter-Finals. Therefore, all the team members pleading during the Semi-Finals were eligible for the Best Orator of the Semi-Finals award.

Team No.	Team Members	Applicant							
		J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	Score
19	Eoin Campbell	31,7 5	34,5 0	36,7 5	35,2 5	35,0 0	30,7 5	34,0 0	34,00
19	Annabel Hale	32,2 5	34,0 0	35,5 0	37,0 0	38,0 0	28,0 0	35,7 5	34,36
19	Conrad Alroe								
19	Oluwabusola Fadipe								
31	Annemie Heubach	33,7 5	33,5 0	32,7 5	28,0 0	31,2 5	29,7 5	35,2 5	32,04
31	Clara Sauer								
31	Cristina Fiorillo	33,7 5	36,0 0	34,5 0	35,2 5	33,5 0	31,0 0	36,0 0	34,29
31	Viola Bosisio								
Team No.	Team Members	Respondent							
		J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	Score
51	Disha Anand	33,7 5	31,0 0	32,0 0	31,5 0	33,7 5	34,7 5	34,7 5	33,07
51	Reuben Andrews								
51	Weronika Hanna Galka	37,7 5	30,5 0	32,0 0	36,5 0	32,5 0	35,0 0	34,2 5	34,07
51	Oliver Nathaniel Clement								
16	Lorenz von Westerholt								
16	Samuel Kaprálik	39,7 5	33,0 0	36,0 0	38,2 5	35,7 5	38,0 0	26,5 0	35,32
16	Veronika Stockinger	37,7 5	30,5 0	35,2 5	38,0 0	34,7 5	33,0 0	31,0 0	34,32
16	Konstantin Lang	40,0 0	40,0 0	36,5 0	40,0 0	36,5 0	34,0 0	31,5 0	36,93

Based on their scores during Semi-Finals Rounds, **Konstantin Lang** from Team 16 from University of Passau; Chair of German, European and International Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Law and White-Collar Crime (Germany) was awarded the prize **Best Orator of the Semi-Finals**.

The Grand Final

Similar to the Quarter-Finals and Semi-Finals, all the team members pleading during the Grand Final were eligible for the Best Orator of the Grand Final award.

Team No.	Team Members	Applicant									
		J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	J8	J9	Total
16	Lorenz von Westerholt	40,00	40,00	40,00	40,00	40,00	40,00	39,50	39,50	39,25	39,81
16	Samuel Kaprálik	33,00	34,00	33,00	35,00	30,00	30,00	36,25	33,75	37,00	33,56
16	Veronika Stockinger										
16	Konstantin Lang										

Team No.	Team Members	Applicant									
		J1	J2	J3	J4	J5	J6	J7	J8	J9	Total
51	Disha Anand	36,00	36,25	34,00	37,00	30,00	37,00	37,75	37,50	36,00	35,72
51	Reuben Andrews										
51	Weronika Hanna Galka	37,00	33,50	32,00	36,00	30,00	37,00	38,00	39,00	37,00	35,50
51	Oliver Nathaniel Clement										

Based on their scores in the Grand Final Round, **Lorenz von Westerholt** from **Team 16** from the **University of Passau; Chair of German, European and International Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure Law and White-Collar Crime (Germany)** was awarded the prize **Best Orator of the Grand Final**.





BEST ORATOR'S PERSPECTIVE

Considering that law at a university in Germany can not focus on practical training to the fullest, the HPMCC offered me an extraordinary opportunity to practice not only my academic but also my rhetoric skills. It is quite a challenge talking in front of an audience if one is not used to it, but even more so debating highly demanding legal issues with the experts in this field. Teamwork is essential for managing this task. First, it is amazing to see how every team member had a very different style, inspiring me to adopt different stylistic methods while finding out what makes a speaker convincing. Second, during our pleadings, everyone was engaged all the time, so the pleader knew that the team got his or her back in case a tricky question was asked. I am convinced that winning the "Best Orator" award would have been impossible without this amazing team and support.

Finally, it was an immense honour to plead in the Grand Chamber of the European Court of Human Rights and the HPMCC is an experience I will certainly never forget.

*Written by Lorenz von Westerholt, Team 16 - the University of Passau,
Best Orator of the 10th HPMCC*





THE HELGA PEDERSEN MOOT COURT COMPETITION AND THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE OF THE 10TH HPMCC

Successfully concluding all stages of the 10th HPMCC, we believe that people who have been putting their precious time and best efforts into this Competition and worked behind the scenes but still should receive the very best and most immense praises. We started our preparations for the 10th Edition in August, right after I have stepped in Office. Our Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition Team has been my right arm to reach the goals that we set out in the very beginning who worked day and night, during the holiday periods despite all the challenging situations that we faced on all levels:

Aušra Abraitytė, Director for the HPMCC

Giulia Maria Servida, Assistant for Teams in the HPMCC

Linnéa Regnell, Assistant for Regional Rounds in the HPMCC

Ketevan Makharashvili, Assistant for Judges in the HPMCC

Looking back to all the stages that we put behind, one of the most important and challenging mission was bringing back the Final Oral Round to a physical format where we had the opportunity to gather law students and human rights experts from all around Europe in Strasbourg to the Headquarters of the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights to address essential issues evolving around the world, to contribute to the exchange of scholarly experience and to stimulate mutual understanding and friendship on the principle of equality - to achieve the goals that our Association stands for. We formed the International Organising Committee in April to ensure that we met the expectations of the participants, from teams to experts acting as judges, and reach the highest quality possible. With the help of the International Organising Committee, everything went smoothly, and we have received a lot of positive feedback. For that reason, I would like to thank the 11 people that composed this International Organising Committee:

Francisco Arga e Lima, President of ELSA

Ainoa Ordóñez, Treasurer of ELSA

Tony Marinescu, Vice President in charge of Marketing of ELSA

Mathieu Verhelst, Vice President in charge of Moot Court Competitions of ELSA

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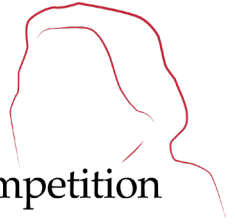
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Egi Osmanoglu, Member of ELSA Strasbourg and Trainee at the Council of Europe





10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS!

Words from the Case Authors

The Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition has reached its 10th anniversary this year. We would sincerely like to express our appreciation to each person who has been involved in this competition since its beginning and especially to the hundreds of students who have participated in this competition throughout the years and impressed us with their knowledge and dedication. Many of them continue to pursue their career in human rights all around the world, and some of them, have even been supporting younger generations of moot court participants as teachers or coaches.

We have experienced many changes, challenges, and evolutions throughout the years. The introduction of regional rounds and online mooting has been some of the most recent ones. What remains a constant is the students' knowledge and dedication to human rights and mastery of the facts of the fictional case. After two years, we were able to witness that in person as we returned to the hearing rooms in Strasbourg this year.

The first-ever case was drafted by our friends and colleagues at the European Human Rights Association (EHRA) ten years ago and we would like to express our gratitude to them for their vision and support as we transitioned to become co-authors. Numerous human rights experts and we have heard students plead on a number of contemporary legal issues, such as climate change, epidemic, use of artificial intelligence, gender-based harassment, compulsory vaccination for children, ill-treatment of terrorist suspects, and so on. These are all legal questions that challenge us as lawyers and individuals and that have recently been or will soon be considered by the European Court of Human Rights, thus giving students a unique opportunity to be at the forefront of human rights protection.

We are so proud and moved to witness how the competition has developed into a widely recognised moot court competition in Europe and humbled that we play a part in it by drafting the case that students compete on. It is June, and the case for the 11th edition is already in the works. Thank you for motivating and inspiring us!

Slavica Čubrić

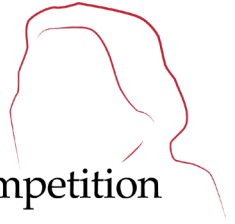


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*Written by Slavica Čubrić and Zuzana Kovaľová¹,
the Case Authors of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition*

¹ Zuzana Kovaľová is a Legal Officer at the United Nations Refugee Agency (UNHCR). The views expressed herein are hers personally and do not reflect those of the United Nations. Slavica Čubrić is the case co-author. The views expressed herein are her own and do not reflect those of her employer.

Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition



It was my second time as a judge of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition yearly organised by ELSA, and the first time I had the privilege to evaluate the teams' written submissions and witness their excellent performance in person here in Strasbourg. I cannot help comparing the present generation with mine and see to what extent the law students of today are better informed about the case law of the Court and the Human Rights in General and are ready to defend those rights in their future legal careers. I would also like to congratulate ELSA for organising such an excellent and highly professional event which became a must in the European Court's annual agenda. Bravo!



Dmytro Tretyakov
Lawyer at the European Court of Human Rights
Judge for the 10th Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition

It has been a great honour to be involved with the Helga Pederson Moot Court competition for over six years in my capacity as a human rights lawyer and independent human rights consultant.

As I reflect, it has been wonderful to see how this competition has grown from year to year with more and more teams participating in the event. It is a testament to the organisers that this competition has gained such an excellent reputation within the human rights sector.

I have thoroughly enjoyed supporting aspiring human rights professionals as they start in their careers, and this competition provides students with an opportunity to develop and hone their advocacy, negotiation and forensic research skills. In my view, these skills are critical for a successful career in the human rights sector. Moreover, I have been incredibly impressed with the quality and calibre of the students participating in the competition over the years, both in terms of their written submissions and oral advocacy. As a Judge, we have challenged and probed students during the oral sessions, and on each and every occasion, they have risen to the challenge!

I am delighted to continue my cooperation with the Organisers of the competition and look forward to sitting as a Judge at many more Moot court sessions in the near future. I wish all the participants good luck!



Vicki Prais
Human Rights lawyer/Independent Human Rights Consultant
Member of the Academic Board of the 10th Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition

CONCLUDING REMARKS FROM THE HEAD OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE

It is with great pleasure and sadness at the same time to say that this Final Report marks not only the successful outcomes of the 10th Edition of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition but also its end.

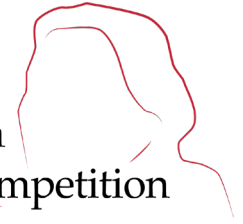
The European Law Students' Association (ELSA) is the world's largest independent, a non-profit, non-political association run by and for law students and young lawyers. Our vision is: "A just world in which there is respect for human dignity and cultural diversity". In order to stay committed to its vision, ELSA constantly focuses on developing its projects and refocusing its goals. The Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition is one of the leading projects of ELSA which helps us to get one step closer to the realisation of our aims every year. This project aims to encourage law students to develop their legal skills, develop law students' knowledge and raise their awareness of Human Rights, and contribute to the ongoing discussion regarding Human Rights.

The 10th Edition of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition was unique on its own for countless reasons. Still, if I had to focus on one one, it would be the fact that we celebrated 10 years of having a significant impact on the legal education of more than a thousand law students and young lawyers, being the voice of all the people facing challenges around the world to speak out and use their rights by advocating for the human rights issues evolving around the world. The 10th Edition was also special because, after the challenges of 2 years, we celebrated our history, progress, expansion and future at the heart of Europe - Strasbourg - together with more than a hundred people who are willing to build up a better future where everyone has the opportunity to enforce their rights.

I had the honour and pleasure of bringing back the physical format for the Final Oral Round this year, and I was delighted to see the support from everyone, starting from my International Board and HPMCC Team, our partners, participating teams and Judges. Getting back to physical format was not easy; however, I firmly believe that our motivation and commitment to this project and its aims guided us through the most challenging circumstances.



Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition

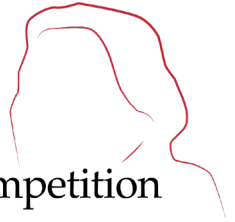


On behalf of ELSA, I am grateful to all of our supporters, especially the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights, with whom we have been walking side by side from the establishment of the project, from the very first edition and now seeing the fruitful results of our cooperation, we are hoping to foster it for many years to come. Neither the successes of the previous editions nor the return to the physical format could not have been accomplished without the constant support and guidance of the Council of Europe. With their help, in every edition of this Competition, we bring human rights, rule of law and democracy closer to law students and young lawyers all across Europe. I would like to thank Ms Sophie Lobey, who has been our main contact person in the Council of Europe for years and dedicated her precious time to supporting the Competition on all levels when we needed her wisdom and experience. It was a unique and honourable opportunity for us, all of the members of the Organising Committee, as students, to be involved in the organisation of this kind of impactful event with the professionals such as Ms Lobey and Ms Olivia Conrad from the Directorate for the Communications of the Council of Europe who are always willing to give back from their knowledge and experience to help the younger generations.

In addition to the Council of Europe and the European Court of Human Rights, every year, we as ELSA, have the honour and pleasure of collaborating with the Permanent Representations to the Council of Europe and the 10th Edition marked the fruitful collaboration with the Permanent Representation of Spain, Permanent Representation of Hungary, Permanent Representation of the Netherlands and Permanent Representation of Italy. We are deeply grateful to all the Permanent Representations involved, especially for their hard work in providing our participants with enjoyable reception environments during the Final Oral Round. We were honoured to count on your support and fruitful collaboration, and we hope to continue with this tradition in future editions. I would like to extend my gratitude and express our utmost appreciation to the City of Strasbourg and Deputy Mayor Ms Cristelle Wierder for their excellent hospitality and for allowing our participants to create unforgettable memories in Strasbourg!



Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition



Not last but not least, a big thank you should be sent to the members of the Academic Board and our dearest case authors with whom I truly enjoyed working throughout the year. It was an irreplaceable opportunity for me to have renowned experts by my side when I started my journey to organise the 10th Edition, and I could not wish for better supporters for this mission.

As we always say, the end of one chapter is just the beginning of another. The 10th Edition of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition was the journey where legal education, motivation, diversity, equality, dedication, hard work and thousands of positive things came together, and I am proud that I gained this chance to put my name on the wall next to the names of all the previous organisers, human rights experts and law students and young lawyers who shared the same goal and enthusiasm with me. Now, I am even more delighted to pass the pen to my successor, who hopefully will write her own story of success in the organisation of the 11th Edition of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition, and as a proud predecessor, I will be standing ready to offer my help at any moment.

A good story has its beginning, a middle and an end.

With joy and pride, I am officially ending the 10th chapter of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition.

Samira Safarova

*Vice President in charge of Academic Activities of the International Board of ELSA 2021/2022
Head of the Organising Committee*





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