

IFP & Human Rights

II International Strategy Meeting

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Brief summary

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Current topic

Law & Technology (2020-07/2022)



INTERNATIONAL FOCUS PROGRAMME

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Aim

- Engaging the all Network
- Putting the focus on a specific topic of law that ELSA considers as being the topic of discussion that will matter for the next 3 years
- Since this year: change of the focus to be solely regarding legal education and therefore to be implemented in our different projects.
- Identifying the different steps that the topic has to go through in order to develop further.

Our goal

Continue the path taken this year to separate our advocacy and Human Rights campaigns to the legal education in order to have distinctive initiatives focusing on the different points of our philosophy statement.

=> This year deletion of the requirement of the AHRC topic to be linked to the IFP

=> In the next term:

IFP = Legal Education

AHRC = Social Responsibility

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**So now let's talk
about the future.**

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**Time to discuss about the different
topics proposed.**

- Human Rights in extraordinary times:

- (+): - Resources of International speakers
- Implementation of the vision of ELSA
 - Increase of awareness on potential grievances and on the the things that can be improved

(-): - Potential confusion with the IFP topic and the AHRC topic because of the focus about Human rights

- Could lead into projects that slides to being politicals
- Too broad of a topic considering the number of sub topics connected to it that could be involved (IT, Health law, protection of the environment, ...)

- Sports Law:

- (+): - New topic of law, not that much dealt with
- Cooperation with large sporting associations
 - Creating awareness for topics related to sports and law that are not necessarily dealt with

(-): - Quite a specific topic for such a long period of time (lack of sub-topics)

- Interest to develop events on the topic

- Labour Law in modern Society:

(+): - Influence on everyone

- Explaining rights that people have and issues they might face in the future
- Wide range of speakers that could talk on the topic

(-): - Topic often learnt in uni (Added Value?)

- Less attractive than others
- Lose of Interest on the topic by NG/LG for a long period of time
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- Law & Gender Equality:

(+): - Topic outside uni curriculum

- Number of Potential of sub-topics
- Applicable to different format of events we have in ELSA
- Talking about inequalities and issues that are not necessarily addressed
- Interest of the network of the topic (Events are already organised on that topic)

(-): - Confusion with a topic that could be of an advocacy nature

- Different interpretations of the topic based on each culture
- Sensitive topic that could lead to outcomes different than the ones that we are looking for

- Migration Law & Citizenship:

(+): - Global topic

- Inter-institutional focus
- Topic currently in the centre of attention
- Amount of opportunities that could be applied in the different projects that are part of the educational cycle of ELSA

(-): - Difficulty to bring additional knowledge that is not known at the moment

- Too broad?
- Linked with HR (Confusion with AHRC topic?)
- Risk of low engagement
- Unequally affecting different countries of the network

- International Trade and Transport:

(+): - International topic by definition

- Discuss about different fields
- Applicable to different projects
- Very much applicable to the modern and inter-connected world

(-): - Linked to the economical context of each country or the geographical position

- Too narrow in the focus it is having
- Lack of interest in the topic
- Lack of potential new elements that could be taught that people do not necessarily know already (lack of development of the topic)

- Family Law:

(+): - Broad (Lot of different sub-topics linked to that)

- Good potential for a comparative approach
- Possibility to link it to the ELSA Vision
- International Partners possible
- Possibility to improve members sensitivity on basic household HR

(-): - Big national differences

- Topic learnt already a lot in curriculum (added value of the IFP?)
- Lack of interest for a long period of time
- Not very “up-to date” topic
- Impossibility to talk about religious or political aspects

- Law and Sustainability:

(+): - Link to the strategic goals of ELSA

- Multidisciplinary topic
- Opportunities to provide different opportunities in our ELSA Projects on the topic (ELSA Traineeships or ELSA Delegations eg)
- Possibility to contribute to the development of regulatory frameworks in startups or institutions

(-): - Risk of being interpreted only from the environmental point of view (Environmental Law already IFP topic 2016-2019)

- Difficulty in out-lining the sub-topics
- Difficulty to find speakers that are not linked to the environmental aspect

- Law & Culture:

(+): - Possibility to develop the topic from different points of view

- Academic relevance but also possible link with HR
- Possibility to train and teach generations to be open-minded
- Link with previous IFP topic and digitalisation of culture

(-): - Word culture can reflect values, opinions, etc and could therefore turn political

- Difficulty to find enough sub-topics
- Less resources, not usually a law topic
- Sometimes difficult to discuss because of long-lasting differences

- Law & Economy:

(+): - Topic well-established and applicable on International, National and Local level

- Applicable to all projects and areas of ELSA
- Vast-topic that can provide a wide range of sub-topics that could be tackled and focused on
- Wide variety of possibility of partnerships
- Strong connection of law with economy nowadays

(-): - Really wide and a concrete path and achievement could be difficult

- Might feel it's not very in line with the mission/vision of ELSA
- Difficulty into contributing in anything new as the topic has been covered a lot already by previous projects

- Energy Law:

(+): - Hot topic at the moment (Climate change)

- Has been developing a lot in the past years
=> Lot of possibilities to bring new learning for future generations and future careers
- Being able to deepen the topic to give a legal education that would allow people to bring change in the future

(-): - Potential major focus on Environmental law
(Previous IFP topic)

- Difficulty to find speakers
- Not as relevant as some other topics in some NGs

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recommendations**

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