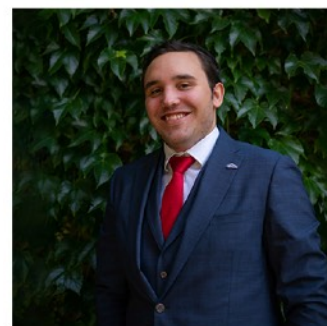
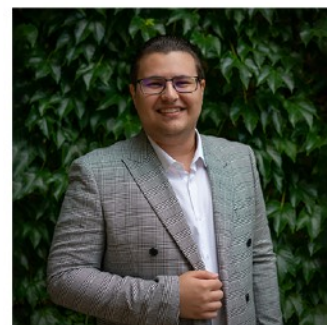
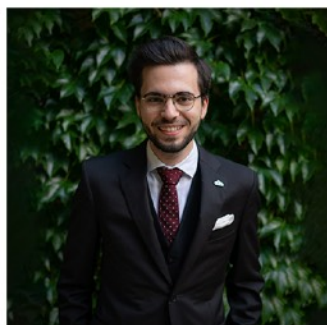


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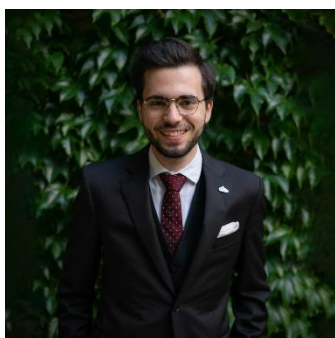


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Board Management, External Relations and Expansion

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Francisco Argae Lima

President
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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MEETING

The beginning of September was marked by a new International Internal Meeting: the International Training Meeting. Here, I prepared the workshops and presentations, as well as answered any questions the National Groups would have regarding its structure and content. I would take this opportunity to thank all of those that attended the Meeting, hoping that it was fruitful and enjoyable.

THE NETWORK

Following the ITM, I started expanding the work with the Network throughout the month. Firstly, I launched the BEE Academies, for anyone interested in learning more about External Relations, Advocacy and Strategic Planning. I already started having the first meetings with the participants and developing plans for the term. If you haven't joined but would like to, there is always a spot for you! Secondly, we had our second BEE Open Call on the 22nd of September. This year I decided to change the purpose of these monthly meetings and so, we started doing exercises related to External Relations, where the BEE Officers could brainstorm on how to solve different issues that they may face during the term. Next month there is more!

EXTERNAL RELATIONS

If the month of August was all about preparation and strategising, the month of September was about taking the first steps. Thus, with the help of Federica, Marta, Eszter and Marianna, we started researching new potential partners - both general and for projects - and we initiated contacts with some of them. At this point, we are waiting for responses, as well as negotiating the way forward with those that showed interest in cooperating with us. On the other hand, I also continued meeting with our current partners, to evaluate the cooperation. With that in mind, I renewed the partnership with IE Law School and started preparing the terms of future renewals with other partners.

ADVOCACY

As we intend to restructure our advocacy initiatives, this month was still about planning. Starting with the Annual Human Rights Campaign, me, Ainoa, Valentin, Samira and Yagmur created a new structure for the Campaign, with a new purpose, timeline and tasks for the International Board and the National Groups. With this new plan, we intend to clarify the way forward for this Campaign, making sure that we are all on the same page regarding what is to be done. Furthermore, and even if the month was about finalising plans, there was also some implementation. With Daniel, we started contacting potential mentors for the Advocacy Mentoring Programme and with Federica we started contacting potential stakeholders for the Annual Human Rights Campaign. Lastly, I've started to explore with some of our partners the possibility of doing another advocacy campaign related to legal tech, with the aim of bringing this topic closer to law schools and law students. Nevertheless, this idea is still in an embryonic state, having to be developed in October.

Internal Management

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Luciana Ayres de Campos

Secretary General
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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MEETING

At the beginning of the month, we had the first International Training Meeting in the history of ELSA. I held workshops with my wonderful IMers, which I would like to thank for attending and participating. A special thank you as well to my wonderful EIT members who provided workshops: Danny, Sofiya and Nea! As the name states, this meeting was also about training. Our amazing trainers: Sina, Maja, Nana Aliyeva, Nana Gegia, Filipe, Weronika, Louis, Meeri and Robert provided sessions to participants that will undoubtedly help them throughout their term. A big thank you to them for their dedication and availability! Following the end of the meeting, we focused on evaluation and reporting with the objective of improving the following editions of the ITM. With the help of my Assistant for IIM, Nea, we launched the evaluation form which we are currently working on.

ELSA TRAINING

This month was also about ELSA Training, specifically appointing and welcoming the ITP Trainers that participated in the Train the Trainers in August. With that in mind, I would like to welcome Maja, Weronika, Meeri, Maria, Anca-Ana, Tom and Paul to the International Trainers' Pool. With the help of my Director for ELSA Training,

Danny, we organised a Workshop for the new trainers on "ITP 101" aimed at clarifying any doubts they might have about the specificities of the ITP. A big thank you to Nana and Inti for providing this session. In addition, with the help of Danny, we are reviewing and updating the database of active/inactive Trainers in the International Trainers' Pool. Following this intense month regarding ELSA Training, I would like to give a very special thank you to Danny for his dedication and hard work!

LXXX INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING

With the end of the ITM, this month has also been about starting preparations for our ICM taking place from the 3rd to the 7th of November 2021. I have been preparing workshops and, with the help of my Assistants for IM, Basil and Julia, we have been working on the IM proposals for this ICM. Additionally, the registration for the LXXX ICM was opened on the 24th of September and will close on the 8th of October. I am extremely excited to see the Network once again in the upcoming ICM!

Financial Management

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Ainoa Ordóñez

Treasurer
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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MEETING

During the first week of September we took part in the 1st ever International Training Meeting. This week was filled with trainings for ELSA Officers, and in the FM area, where we had the opportunity to explore basic FM concepts while discussing the different realities in each ELSA Group. I would like to take a moment to thank all the participants of this meeting for their attendance, and special thanks to all the treasurers that were present during this meeting.

FM ADMINISTRATION

In this second month of term I have been focused on the daily Financial Management of the Association, while having contacts with different ELSA Groups to ensure the fulfilment of their Financial Obligations.

GRANTS

In this month we have also focused on our Grant application for the European Youth Foundation. I attended guiding sessions with the Council of Europe that provided us insights on how to tailor our application to the current priorities of the Foundation.

ELSA INTERNATIONAL TEAM

One of the main goals of this month was to start working together with the ELSA International Team on their different goals and tasks for this year. Together with Algirdas, we reviewed the current status of the ELSA Development Foundation; and with Adela, Clarissa and Sadiq we started building the new Grants department and working on different tasks.

ELSA DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

Lastly, regarding our Foundation, this month has been focused on creating the invoices for the Contributions from all the National Groups, as well as reviewing the new regulations, and preparing them to be presented to the network.

Marketing

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Tony Marinescu

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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MEETING

This month debuted with the first ever International Training Meeting, an event focused on the development of the newly elected boards. In this regard, we explored both general and area specific aspects, while also developing our soft skills. In the Marketing Workshops, we shared our experiences for the first month in the office, while also learning about graphic design, social media management and audiovisual content creation, through theory and practice. Through this, I want to thank everyone for participating and I hope to see you again and many more in our future trainings.

PROMOTION

September was a huge month for the promotion of our Flagship Projects. We started with the ELSA x LexisNexis Rule of Law Essay Competition, shortly followed by our two moot court competitions: The John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition and the newly revamped Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition. In terms of project promotion, the end of September is about the launch of the first call for ELSA Delegations. We also reconsidered how we promote our partners, to ensure them a better visibility.

OFFICERS' PORTAL

My third and last focus of this month was starting to update the marketing part of the Officers' Portal. In that sense, I changed the "Logos" section into "Assets", so we can accommodate more materials that are of general interest. I added our fonts, Lato and EB Garamond, since some versions available online don't have language specific characters. Also, I added the logos for the newly updated projects, ELSA Traineeships and Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition. On the same note, I added vector files for the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition, both the classic version and the 20th edition variant. Lastly, the Winter ELSA Law Schools Marketing Kit has been launched.

Academic Activities

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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MEETING - FIRST STEP TO SUCCESS

Waving goodbye to the first part of an amazing journey with the Network - International Training Meeting, biggest thanks are owed to our participants who made this experience unforgettable. Alongside with our MCC boy Mathieu, we had many discussions till the first day of the ITM with the aim of choosing important topics and preparing appealing presentations to present to the Network. For the ones who missed the Meeting, AA & MCC presentations are in the Officers' Portal!

#10YEARS - HELGA PEDERSEN MOOT COURT COMPETITION

With great excitement, I have the honour to share with the Network that on the 20th of September, the 10th Edition of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition has been launched. Till the launch, together with my fantastic HPMCC Team - Aušra, Linnéa, Ketevan and Guilia, we had several discussions to determine all possible ways to ensure the quality of the Competition this year. During September, I also got a chance to have meetings with Regional Round Organisers where we discussed our further steps. Registration period

ends on 10th of November, stay tuned to see the amazing posts we created for our Network!

LEGAL WRITING

1st of September marked the last day for submissions for the second issue of the ELSA Law Review on the topics of Human Rights and Digital Law. I am happy to share that from this Call, we have received 29 submissions and our super stars of the Publications Team; Bernadetta, Ekaterina, Parthabi and Roberta have been closely working on the reviewing process. On the other hand, together with Yulia and Andjela, we set goals for the purpose of encouraging and supporting the Network to conduct Legal Research Groups and these goals are already in the implementation stage. Now all you need to do is to take the first step for your own LRG adventure and we will help you!

ENFORCING OUR COMMITMENT - HUMAN RIGHTS

After sharing the Outline of the Annual Human Rights Campaign 2021/2022 with the Network, Arga, Valentin, Ainoa and I have been working on the new structure of the Annual Human Rights Campaign to provide the Network with clear set of responsibilities and timeline for realising our aim - raising awareness on Human Rights.

BEING THE CHANGE - BOARD REFORM IMPLEMENTATION

During September, I was focused on two directions to enforce the implementation of Board Reform: 1) developing social responsibility through the initiatives of Mental Health Project and ROLE Campaign; and 2) closely working with Mathieu on the Competitions, especially ENC European Final Round in order to ensure the future effectiveness of the transition period. Related to the social responsibility part, I can proudly say that preparations are in full swing and we are working on presenting new initiatives to be implemented in the Network. For the European Final Round,



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ELSA Brno will have the honour of being the host of the first edition!

While talking about the implementation, it is important for us to provide you with feedback not only about the progress, but also the difficulties faced. From the overview we got from the ITM, Open and Coaching Calls, the interest of the Network regarding the ENC European Final Round is lower than expected which makes the preparations harder for us and for the Organising Group. Especially, the fact that most of the Groups are planning to organise ENC in their own official languages and late in the second semester. This puts the number of participants for the European Final Round at risk. We truly believe that the SotN will provide us with more exact answers which will be helpful to plan the European Final Round as well. We are very much looking forward to welcoming the teams from our National Groups in Brno in the second semester!

Moot Court Competitions

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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MEETING

The month of September started off with the first International Training Meeting. During this week, I had the opportunity to host with Samira the AA/MCC workshops. It was a great pleasure to train and discuss our ideas with the new generation of AA/MCC-officers in the network. Preparing the ITM with Samira also required some days of work, especially deciding on the topics we were going to present to our officers. But thank you to all the officers who were presented during our workshops and participated in the discussions.

LAUNCH OF THE JOHN H. JACKSON MOOT COURT COMPETITION

The 15th of September brought us the launch of the 20th edition of the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition. Together with the Academic Board, I have worked in preparation of this launch to make sure everything was ready on the 15th of September. Currently you can find all the necessary information on the website: johnhjacksonmoot.elsa.org.

Here we also decided on the state of the Regional Rounds. We will host for the 20th edition 4 Regional Rounds online being the All American Regional Round, the East Asia and Oceania

Regional Round, the West & South Asia Regional Round and the African Regional Round. The two European Regional Rounds will be hosted physically.

BOARD REFORM IMPLEMENTATION

August and September also meant for this board the first two months of Board Reform implementation. I have been working very closely with Samira on both the Final Round of the ENC and trying to find the best and most plausible way to host this. Secondly, I have also discussed the state of the Helga Pedersen Moot Court Competition and trying to stay informed on that side, especially with the launch.

Professional Development

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INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MEETING

The month of September started with the first International Training Meeting. In the preparation of the presentations for the workshops, I focused on providing all the necessary information to National and Local Officers about the new structure of the area but also on interesting topics to discuss for the development of our projects and on team bonding.

NETWORK

On the 9th of September, I had the first Open Call with all the Professional Development Officers. It has been a very interactive discussion, started with the presentation of all the updates from ELSA International followed by a Q&A session. During the month, I also had the first Coaching sessions with ELSA Romania and ELSA the Netherlands.

ELSA INTERNATIONAL TEAM

Right after the appointment of the ELSA International Team, I have had the pleasure of starting working with the Teams under my responsibility. Thanks to periodic meetings we easily planned the goals of the following months in a very good environment of mutual help. I look forward to sharing the result of our work.

ELSA TRAINEESHIPS

With the support of the Vice President for Marketing, we released the ELSA Traineeships Media Card with a complete new design and the new Logo. We are working on the update of the website - which now has the new domain traineeships.elsa.org - and all the documentation. A consistent amount of time has been dedicated to meetings with our Partners and potential ones. We officially announced the Partnership with Bierens Incasso Advocaten.

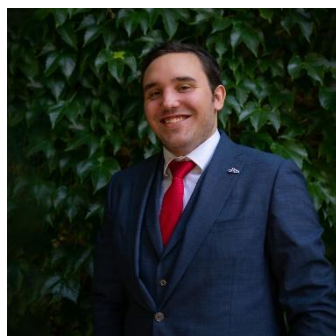
BOARD REFORM IMPLEMENTATION

The new structure of the area in the International Board allows a higher level of efficiency. The External Relations gained different benefits from the clearer name of the position and from the bigger variety of activities that the area is now able to offer. Together with the President, we started working on the second edition of the Career Launch. In order to make it more appealing both for Partners and participants, we intend to organize a Career Fair in which all the project's partners will be promoted and put directly in contact with our members. The second part of the project will consist in workshops on different topics related to the access to professional world in different fields of the legal market and at the end the participants will have the opportunity to be selected for a job interview.

The approach towards the National Groups has been focused on giving as much support as possible in terms of training and information, during the International Training Meeting, the Open Call and individual calls when necessary. The SOTN will provide us with more detailed information about the National Groups, their necessities and difficulties in facing such a big change. The 80th International Council Meeting will be the most important occasion to discuss the progress of the reform and the next steps to take.

Seminars and Conferences

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about the different opportunities for improvement that there is for the project.

ELSA WEBINARS ACADEMY

September was also dedicated to preparing the organisation of the next ELSA Webinars Academy organised by ELSA International at the end of the year. This month was therefore full of planning, creating a timeline and discussing with my dear Francisco to plan an effective external relations strategy for the academic partners. I am really excited of how the organisation is looking and I look forward to it being launched very soon!

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING MEETING

The First part of the month of September was also mostly dedicated to the ITM. I was really happy with the level of discussions that we had the chance to have in the S&C workshops where we could at the same time talk about the basics of our S&C projects but also start some discussion for the upcoming ICM and the decisions that we will make.

ELSA DELEGATIONS

During this month I am really happy that we launched on Monday the first ELSA Delegations call of the term with many different opportunities. We had the opportunity with Tony to brainstorm on new strategies to promote this project differently and I cannot wait for everyone to see it, so make sure to go check the website at delegations.elsa.org.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION OF PROJECTS

September has seen different projects starting to be put on track for me. My month was therefore also dedicated to supervising the organisation of the different Winter ELSA Law Schools that had been specified together with the tremendous help of my ELSA Law Schools Team. I also had the opportunity to have different calls with my EIT team to plan all the year but also start discussing