

THE
JOHN H. JACKSON
MOOT COURT COMPETITION
25TH ANNIVERSARY



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ORGANIZATION

TIMELINE



The European Law Students' Association

25th EDITION | 2026 - 2027

Timeline of the 25th edition of the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition

Deadline	Activity
16th September 2026	Competition Launch via Website ELSA International officially launches the Competition, by publishing relevant documents on the <u>Website of the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition</u> .
	Release of the Registration form and the Case ELSA International releases the Case for the 25th Edition and opens the registration for the Competition.
6th of November 2026	Team Registration Deadline - To be eligible for participating in the competition, teams must register by the online <u>Team Registration Form</u> on the Website and pay the Registration Fee. - The deadline for submission of the electronic Team Registration Forms is 23:59 Central European Time. - ELSA will provide each registered team with a team number by email which must be used for all further communication. - Late registration is only possible upon request to ELSA International.
	Deadline for Requests for Financial Aid Teams may ask for a partial or complete waiver of the Registration Fee, they need to submit a letter of motivation, a letter of recommendation and a curriculum vitae via the <u>Financial Aid Form</u> .
9th of November 2026	Clarification Question Deadline Final date for each Team to send a maximum of 5 clarification questions to the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition case, which must be sent to ELSA International via the <u>Clarification Questions Form</u> on the Website of the John H. Jackson Moot Court Competition.
12th of November 2026	Regional Rounds Allocation List ELSA will publish an "Allocation List" detailing the Teams (by Team Number) participating in each Regional Round.
30th of November 2026	Team Registration Fee Deadline - Teams are required to pay the competition Registration Fee directly to ELSA. - Late payment of the Team Registration Fee is at the discretion of ELSA International. - ELSA will send an invoice for Team Registration Fee to the nominated Team Contact Person on the Team Registration Form. - In any case, late payment is only possible upon request to ELSA International.

10th January 2027	Written Submission Deadline - Deadline for registered Teams to dispatch electronic copies of the Written Submissions via the <u>Written Submissions Form</u>. - The deadline for dispatch shall be 23:59 Central European Time and sent via the relevant form on the Website.	
24th - 27th February 2027	1st European Regional Round, Krakow, Poland	Regional Rounds Each Team participates in one Regional Round. The official dates will be published on the website of the Competition.
3rd - 6th March 2027	2nd European Regional Round, Brussels, Belgium	
12th - 15th March 2027	West & South Asia Regional Round, Kolkata, India	
25th - 28th March 2027	East Asia & Oceania Regional Round, Hanoi, Vietnam	
<i>Dates TBC</i>	All-American Regional Round, Santiago, Chile	
19th - 22nd April 2027	African Regional Round, Yaoundé, Cameroon	
May 2027	Announcement of finalists The official announcement of the 24 Teams that have been selected to plead in the Final Oral Round.	
15th - 19th June 2027	Final Oral Round, Geneva Lasting 5 days, consisting of Preliminary Rounds, Quarter Finals and Semi Finals and the Grand Final. The Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and the Grand Final of the Competition will happen at the WTO headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland.	

We wish the best of luck to all participating teams,



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