FINAL REPORT
- by ELSA International on

ELSA MOOT COURT COMPETITION
ON WTO LAW - EMC²

8th Edition 2009-2010
The European Law Students’ Association – ELSA
Philosophy Statement

**Vision**
A just world in which there is respect for human dignity and cultural diversity.

**Purpose**
To contribute to legal education, to foster mutual understanding and to promote social responsibility of law students and young lawyers.

**Means**
Providing opportunities for law students and young lawyers to learn about other cultures and legal systems in a spirit of critical dialogue and scientific co-operation.

Assisting law students and young lawyers to be internationally minded and professionally skilled.

Encouraging law students and young lawyers to act for the good of society.
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Dear Reader,

The 8th edition of the ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO law (EMC²) has come to an end. This is the Final Report which concludes the competition year 2009/2010.

The Final Oral Round was also this year on a world tour and was organized jointly with the Latin-American Council of Scholars on International and Comparative Law, Dominican Republic Chapter (COLADIC-RD). Thanks to the great work of Mr. Amaury Reyes and his team we concluded an amazing Final Oral Round in the Caribbean paradise with 16 participating teams from all over the world. Thank you very much IOS for the hard work and effort you have put into the competition.

I would also like to thank my wonderful friends and colleagues in the International Board of ELSA; Leonid, Timo, Peter, Sofia, Mirko and Frida for all their support during the year. I have also had the pleasure of working with Mr. Morten Rydningen as my director, my predecessor and good friend. Your efforts were fantastic and it was great fun to work with you.

During this edition I started a new team, called the ELSA Organising Secretariat (EOS), consisting of six active ELSA members from all over Europe. They EOS have been focusing on promotion within ELSA and helping Morten and I with administrative work when needed. I would like to thank them all for an amazing year together and for giving up their Tuesday nights for our weekly meetings!

A foreword in connection to the EMC² cannot be written without mentioning the Academic Supervisors; Ms. Ieva Zebryte, Mrs. Letizia Raschella-Sergi and Dr. Laura Nielsen. You have all been tremendous throughout the year by your support and advice and a special thanks goes to Ieva for her hard work with the Final Oral Round in Dominican Republic this year.

My sincere gratitude goes to all Panellists who have been involved in the competition through the Regional Rounds, the Final Oral Round and also those who have been involved in scoring the Written Submissions. I hope you will all continue to support ELSA in our work for the upcoming years.

I would also like to thank our global sponsors; The World Trade Institute, the University of Barcelona with its Master Programme (IELPO) and our new sponsor The Norwegian Seafood Export Council. Also our Regional Rounds sponsors, National Rounds sponsors as well as individual team sponsors. Finally, the technical support from the World Trade Organization has been an excellent contribution to the success of the competition.

I was very glad to see an increased number of teams participating from all over the world and that the knowledge about the competition keeps on growing, this thanks to many good coaches who have participated themselves previous years. For the 9th edition the Final Oral Round will be held in the end of May in Geneva, Switzerland. Keep up to date by entering our official website: www.elsamootcourt.org.
On behalf of ELSA International I would also like to thank our corporate partner: CMS and our Human Rights partner: Council of Europe.

Sincerely yours,

Amanda Bertilsdotter Nilsson
Vice President Academic Activities

ELSA International 2009/2010

Head of Organising Committee
ELSA Moot Court Competition 2009/2010
GENERAL BACKGROUND

Introduction
The European Law Students’ Association, ELSA, is an international, independent, non-political, and non-profit-making organisation comprised and run by law students and young lawyers. Founded in 1981 ELSA is today the world’s largest independent law students’ association and is present in more than 200 law faculties in 41 countries across Europe with a membership in excess of 30,000 students and young lawyers.

The vision of ELSA is:

“A just world in which there is respect for human dignity and cultural diversity”

ELSA’s main purpose is to contribute to legal education, to foster mutual understanding and to promote social responsibility amongst law students and young lawyers. It does this by providing opportunities for their members to learn about other cultures and legal systems through critical dialogue and scientific co-operation. ELSA has been involved in legal education in Europe for 29 years, and we will be in years to come. ELSA is glad to be contributing towards the development of law students worldwide.

ELSA chose WTO Law as the basis for its international moot court competition due to the growth in global trade since the 1990’s and the necessity to provide security and stability to those involved in such trade through regulations. The World Trade Organization, which was established in 1995 and based on the old GATT Agreement, aims to create a system for efficiently regulating international trade. Although the WTO as an organisation and its agreements has created controversies, the present structure and regulations will promote and enhance international trade for years to come.

Structure of the competition
The Case for the Competition was issued on 1st of September 2009 with teams required to register for participation by the 27th of December 2009. Only one team per law faculty or law school was allowed to participate in the Competition.

The EMC² consists of two different Selection Rounds where teams can qualify for the Final Oral Round of the EMC², which this May was held in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. Before entering a Regional (Oral) Round every team had to tender their Written Submissions for both the complainant and respondent parties of the EMC² Case. Documents were required to be submitted to ELSA International by the 29th January 2010.
ELSA National Groups were also given the opportunity to organise National (Oral) Rounds of the EMC². There was one National Round organised in Kiev, Ukraine. The winning team and runner-up from the National Round were allocated to one of the two ELSA European Regional Rounds.

The Final Oral Round of the EMC² was held at Hotel Clarion and UNIBE, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic 24-30th May 2010.
ELSA International has geo-politically attributed countries to specific EMC selection rounds as detailed below.

**ELSA Regional Rounds:**
Albania, Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and United Kingdom.

**Asia (non-ELSA) Regional Round:**
Bhutan, Brunei-Darussalam, Cambodia, Chinese Taipei (Taiwan),, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Macau China, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Republic of China, Republic of (South) Korea, Singapore, Thailand and Vietnam.

**Pacific (non-ELSA) Regional Round:**
Australia, Fiji, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga and Vanuatu.

**Latin American (non-ELSA) Regional Round:**
Antigua and Barbuda, Argentina, Bahamas, Barbados, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, Jamaica, México, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent & the Grenadines, Suriname, Trinidad and Tobago, Uruguay and Venezuela.

**North American (non-ELSA) Regional Round:**
Canada and the United States of America

**International Written Round:**
Teams from WTO Member or Observer states not listed above.

**Africa:** Algeria, Angola, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Cape Verde, Chad, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Equatorial Guinea, Ethiopia, Gabon, Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Kenya, Lesotho, Republic of Liberia, Libya, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mauritania, Mozambique, Namibia, Niger, Nigeria, Rwanda, Sao Tome Principe, Senegal, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Togo, Tonga, Tunisia, Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe.
Middle East: Afghanistan, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Kingdom of Bahrain, Bangladesh, Egypt, Georgia, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Kyrgyz Republic, Lebanese Republic, Maldives, Mauritius, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Seychelles, Sri Lanka, Tajikistan, United Arab Emirates, Uzbekistan and Yemen.

Teams were chosen either through the Regional Rounds (oral) or International Written Round. This year five teams signed up through the International Written Round, but unfortunately never made it to the oral stage of the competition. Another 16 teams made it all the way to the final stage of the competition, the Final Oral Round in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

At the Final Oral Round, 16 teams pled against each other in the Preliminary Rounds – once as complainant and once as respondent. The four highest ranked teams after the preliminary rounds progressed to the Elimination Rounds (Semi-Finals), where they pled once each:

1st ranked: The University of Melbourne, Australia
2nd ranked: Gujarat National Law University, India,
3rd ranked West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, India and (winner Semi-Final 2)
4th ranked University of Ottawa, Canada. (winner Semi-Final 1)

The winners of the two Semi-Finals contested against each other for the title - Winner of the EMC² 2008/2009.
NATIONAL ROUNDS

During the 8th edition of the ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law (EMC²) only one national (oral) round (NR) was held within the ELSA Network. The NR took place in Lviv, Ukraine 13-14th February 2010. The round consisted of 7 teams, in which two of them proceeded to the regional round in Leuven, Belgium.

National Round in Ukraine

On 13th – 14th February the local group of ELSA Lviv hosted the National Round of the ELSA Moot Court Competition (EMC²). Taking into account, that Ukraine is a quite young member of the World Trade Organization (since 2008), the lack of specialists in this field is understandable. That is why this competition is designed to promote WTO standards, to prepare qualified lawyers with deepened knowledge in legal regulations of international trade and to further develop the participant’s practical skills.

Seven teams registered to participate in the EMC² this year. They represented leading universities of Ukraine in Kyiv, Lviv, Ostroh, Odessa, Donetsk. Students of Taras Shevchenko Kiev National University and members of the runner-up from Institute of International Relations of Taras Shevchenko Kiev National University represented Ukraine in the Regional Round in Leuven. Irina Polovets, showed the best personal results throughout all the rounds of the competition and was nominated as the best Orator. Students from Ivan Franko Lviv National University, Donetsk National University and National University "Ostrog Academy" also proved to be well prepared and structured. In general it seems as if the participants’ level of quality is improving each year and the judges found it very difficult to determine the winner team.

The jury or the "Panellists", according to the WTO terminology, represented leading lawyers and experts in WTO law and Intellectual Property Law; namely Daniyil Fedorchuk (“BEITEN BURKHARDT Rechtsanwälte”), Taras Kyslyy (“Magisters”), Andrey Nikolaenko (Magisters), Natalia Mykolska (“Vasil Kisil Attorneys-and-Counselors-in Law”), Natalia Meshcheryakova (Expert of the Bureau of Intellectual Property), Boris Danevych ("Paritet"), Olga Romanenko (DLA Piper), Olena Hladyuk (Volkov Kozyakov and Partners), Alexander Bereza and Yuriy Matrynovskyy.

ELSA Lviv were proud to have the law firm "Magisters" as the general partner of the EMC². LF “Volkov Kozyakov & Partners” and media partner LIGA:ZAKON made a great contribution to the organisation as well. I am very proud of the whole ELSA Ukraine team whose members always make their personal contributions to the development of our country, law and student society every day.

Sincerely,

Khrystyna Brodych,
Vice President Academic Activities
ELSA Ukraine 2009/2010
The ELSA Regional Round of Leuven, Belgium

The first ELSA Regional Round took place in Leuven, Belgium from 3rd to 7th of March 2010.

First of all, I’d like to make a big compliment to Jan Loosen. As head of the Organising Committee for this Regional Round, he managed to arrange this event to the best of his abilities.

A big thank you also goes to the volunteers from ELSA Belgium, ELSA Lithuania and ELSA The Netherlands for their great efforts as an Organising Committee, both on the academic and social level.

Academic quality

List of Panellists:

Dr. David Luff
Mr. Lothar Ehring
Prof. Petros Mavroidis
Prof. Jan Wauters
Mr. Johan Billiet
Ms. Sara Nordin
Dr. Christoph Hermes
Ms. Vassiliki Avogousti
Mr. Tim Courthaut
Mr. Dominic Coppens

In the ELSA Regional Round of Leuven it was a team of panellists who only could take part in some parts of the event and therefore the changes along the panels were quite common from session to session as well as day to day. A special thank you goes to Dr. David Luff who spent the entire week as an academic advisor for the ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law. It was also great to have a lot of new panellists taking part in their first edition of the EMC², and I hope they will continue to contribute in the future.

Even though it was a lot of panellists involved which lead to many different panels the evaluation and the feedback towards the students was always fair and consistent.

Timekeepers

The timekeepers did their job in a good and professional manner in order to support the competition in compliance with the rules.

Participants

Due to VISA issues with the team from Russia and the withdraw from the team from Georgia, only nine teams came to Leuven to compete against each other in the Regional Round.
The teams came from Finland, Greece, Italy, The Netherlands, Romania, Ukraine and the United Kingdom, with participants from a lot of different nationalities.

I believe the teams found it challenging to face the panels, but it was also great to see that many of the team coaches who were former participants support their universities representatives in this edition. It is great from an organiser’s perspective to see that a moot court competition can get some of the best law students to commit and contribute on their spare time for others. It is highly recommended to have an experienced team coach due to the high level of excellence in this competition.

Awards
The award ceremony took place in a fantastic venue in the centre of Leuven on Saturday night. After all teams had arrived and the sponsors had their presentations it was time for the awards.

The ranking of the teams was as follows:

Preliminary Rounds:

1st ranked team: 046 – Maastricht University, The Netherlands
2nd ranked team: 032 – King’s College, United Kingdom
3rd ranked team: 060 – Kyiv National Taras Shevchenko University, Ukraine
4th ranked team: 064 – Universiteit van Amsterdam, The Netherlands
5th ranked team: 047 – Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece
6th ranked team: 038 – Università degli Studi di Palermo
7th ranked team: 032 – University of Helsinki, Finland
8th ranked team: 024 – University of Bucharest, Romania
9th ranked team: 062 - Institute of International Relations of Kyiv National Taras Shevchenko University, Ukraine

Elimination Rounds:

Semi-final 1:
Team 046 vs. team 060. Winner: Team 046

Semi-final 2:
Team 032 vs. team 064: Winner: Team 032
Grand Final:
Team 046 vs. team 032: Winner: team 046

Participation Certificates were distributed to all teams registered for the ELSA Regional Round as well as the Panellists. Certificates were also awarded for the following:

**Winner of the Regional Round:**
Team 046 - Maastricht University, The Netherlands

**Runner-up of the Regional Round:**
Team 032 – King’s College, United Kingdom

**Best Complainant Written Submission:**
Team 035 – King’s College, United Kingdom

**Best Respondent Written Submission:**
Team 047 – Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

**Best overall Written Submission:**
Team 047 – Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

**Best Orator Preliminary Rounds:**
Ms. Barbara Cooreman, Team 046 - Maastricht University, The Netherlands

**Best Orator Semi-finals:**
Lauris Vanags, Team 035 – King’s College, The United Kingdom

**Best Orator Grand Final:**
Ms. Barbara Cooreman, Team 046 - Maastricht University, The Netherlands

**The Spirit of ELSA Award:**
064 – Universiteit van Amsterdam, The Netherlands
Scores in numbers:

i) Team Rankings after the Preliminary Rounds

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*The Total Complainant Oral Pleading Score is the overall team score from each of the three Panellists added together.

The Total Respondent Oral Pleading Score is the overall team score from each of the three Panellists added together.

The Total of Overall Oral Pleading Score & Written Submission Score consists of 70% of the Oral Pleading Score and 30% of Written Submission.

Each member of the Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent. The scores given by each of the Panellists would then be added together.

Therefore, the maximum score for each oral argument any Team presented was 300 points. Each Team pleaded twice in the Preliminary Rounds – once as Complainant and once as Respondent. Therefore, the ranking was determined by adding up the points of the two sessions.

Total of 600 points could have been received by one Team throughout the Preliminary Rounds.
## Best Orator after the Preliminary Rounds

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The Total Score for Complainant Presentation is the individual score from each of the three judges, added together.

The Total Score for Respondent Presentation is the individual score from each of the three judges, added together.

Individual performance of the Teams members was assessed based on the same general criteria as the performance of the Teams’ oral pleadings. The Panellists were guided by factors such as: competence, inclusion of all relevant facts, structure and logic of the argument, soundness of the argument presented, response to questions by The Panels, time management, role of Team members etc. Each member of the Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent per Team member for an individual performance.

iii) Team Ranking after the Semi Finals

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Each member of the Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent. The scores given by each of the Panellists would then be added together.

Therefore, the maximum score for each oral argument any Team presented was 700 points.

IELPO Prizes Awarded to ELSA Regional Round Leuven

One of the EMC2 major sponsors, IELPO (Universitat De Barcelona), provided ‘educational’ prizes the Winner and Runner-up Team as well as the Best Orator of the Regional Rounds. Ms. Laura Gómez Bustos of IELPO presented the Awards to the following teams and individual during a special segment of the Awards Dinner of the Final Oral Round in Santo Domingo on Saturday, 29 May 2010.

Winner of ELSA Regional Round - Team 046 - Maastricht University, The Netherlands

Voucher for 40 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or

An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.

*Up to a maximum of 5 students will be accepted for the same specialized course (i.e. four team members and one student coach).

Runner-up of ELSA Regional Round – Team 032 – King’s College, United Kingdom

Voucher for 20 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or

An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.

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Best Orator Preliminary Rounds of ELSA Regional Round - Ms. Barbara Cooreman, Team 046 - Maastricht University, The Netherlands

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**Concluding remarks**

The Regional Round of Leuven would have benefitted from more people responsible for the organisation on the local venue of Leuven. ELSA will strive to improve this in the upcoming edition in order to make it all perfect.

ELSA Belgium have not organised any other international event than the ELSA House Training Week in quite some time, so it was great of such a small national group to take part and contribute for the whole network through their local group of ELSA Leuven.

To sum up this report I would like to thank all individuals involved in helping ELSA to fulfil its goal of facing the global challenge!

**Sincerely,**

Morten Rydningen
Director for the ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law

ELSA International 2009/2010
The ELSA Regional Round of Helsinki, Finland.

The second ELSA Regional Round took place in Helsinki, Finland 10\textsuperscript{th} -14\textsuperscript{th} of March 2010.

I would like to express gratitude to the amazingly hard working team of the regional round organising committee who all did an amazing job throughout the whole event, even with the Head of Organising Committee, Katarina Lundahl based in Sarajevo, Bosnia Herzegovina. Special thanks goes to the President of ELSA Finland, Jaana Saarijärvi and the President of ELSA Helsinki, Katja Fokin.

Apart from these three wonder women the Regional Round would not have been possible without a very well organised OC, a mix of active ELSA members from all over Finland. All with their own responsibilities and tasks and always with a smile on their faces. Both participants, panellists and ELSA International were taken well care of during all five days and we had the chance to see a white and very beautiful Helsinki.

**Academic quality**
The Regional Round were attended by the following Panellists:

Mr. Lothar Ehring  
Dr. Arthur Appleton  
Mr. Stefan Amarasinha  
Dr. Roberto Rios Herran  
Mr. Kaarlo Castren  
Ms. Ruta Zarnauskaite  
Mr. Martin Björklund  
Ms. Yulia Selinanova

In the ELSA Regional Round of Helsinki we had a team of Panellists which had a good mixture of practitioners, academics and representatives from the World Trade Organization (WTO). We tried to keep the number of panellists to the minimum in this round, due to flight costs and also to keep the scoring more consistent. Even though some last minute changes and small delays occurred we managed to work with the number of 8 Panellists. Thanks to the local Panellist, Mr Martin Björklund, the Panellists and ELSA International also had the chance to see some of Helsinki.

I conclude that the Panellists did a great effort in order to ensure that all teams were evaluated on the same basis, and I thank them for their shown professionalism and enthusiasm for the competition.


**Timekeepers**

The timekeepers of the Helsinki round were informed about their duties in good time before and we also had time to have a short briefing session a few days before everything started. Timekeepers did an excellent job during the competition, and it was a pleasure to see them all being very well organised and keeping everything in good order. I could really see the benefit of using the same timekeepers several times during the week, however to have some extra timekeepers is always a good idea, as three session in one day can be quite a lot. Good job!

**Participants**

10 teams from Belarus, Germany, Denmark, Lithuania, Spain (x2), Switzerland (x2), Luxembourg and Hungary participated in the Regional Round of Helsinki. The two teams from Spain and Switzerland were put in the same Regional Round to try to spread out the nationalities of the teams qualifying for the Final Oral Round. Two more teams from Turkey and Georgia were suppose to participate but had to cancel due to financial reasons.

The level of the participants impressed a lot and they all spent many hours after the sessions every day to prepare for the next day. I was very happy to see that many of last years participants came back as coaches this year, to support their University teams with their knowledge and experience from previous year. You could definitely see all teams working very hard and the result were thereafter. I hope that the trend of becoming a coach for next years team will continue and increase in the future of this competition.

**Awards**

All teams came together at the award ceremony on Saturday evening, held at the Bank and sponsored by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. A three course dinner was served and all awards were handed out by ELSA International, Panellists and ELSA Finland. During this round it was requested by the participants to also give a special award to the panellist with most ELSA Spirit. This was awarded to Dr. Roberto Rios Herran, for his devotion to the competition as well as the students.

The ranking of the teams was as follows:

**Preliminary Rounds:**

1st ranked team: 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland
2nd ranked team: 025 – University of Barcelona – Spain
3rd ranked team: 016 – Martin Luther Universität - Halle-Wittenberg, Germany
4th ranked team: 040 – The University of Geneva, Switzerland
5th ranked team: 059 – University of Southern Denmark, Denmark
6th ranked team: 053 – Mykolas Romeris University, Lithuania
7th ranked team: 003 – Belarusian State University, Belarus
8th ranked team: 042 – University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg
9th ranked team: 056 – ESADE, Spain
10th ranked team: 019 – University of Szeged, Hungary

Elimination Rounds:

Semi-final 1:
Team 009 vs. team 040 (ranked 1st vs. ranked 4th as the teams are from the same country, see rule 7.5.1.4): Winner: Team 009

Semi-final 2:
Team 025 vs. team 016: Winner: Team 025

Grand Final:
Team 009 vs. team 025: Winner: team 009

Participation Certificates were distributed to all teams registered for the ELSA Regional Round as well as the Panellists. Certificates were also awarded for the following:

Winner of the Regional Round:
Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

Runner-up of the Regional Round:
Team 025 – University of Barcelona, Spain

Best Complainant Written Submission:
Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

Best Respondent Written Submission:
Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland
Best overall Written Submission:
Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

Best Orator Preliminary Rounds:
Wolfgang Alschner, Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

Best Orator Semi-finals:
Wolfgang Alschner, Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

Best Orator Grand Final:
Gregory Hudson, Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

Scores in numbers:

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The Total Respondent Oral Pleading Score is the overall team score from each of the three Panellists added together.

The Total of Overall Oral Pleading Score & Written Submission Score consists of 70% of the Oral Pleading Score and 30% of Written Submission.

Each member of the Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent. The scores given by each of the Panellists would then be added together.

ii) Best Orator Ranking - Preliminary Rounds

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Therefore, the maximum score for each oral argument any Team presented was 300 points. Each Team pleaded twice in the Preliminary Rounds – once as Complainant and once as Respondent. Therefore, the ranking was determined by adding up the points of the two sessions.

Please note: According to the Rules of EMC², an orator had to plead twice during the Preliminary Rounds – once as Complainant and once as Respondent to qualify for the Best Orator of the Preliminary Round Awards.

The Total Score for Complainant Presentation is the individual score from each of the three judges, added together.

The Total Score for Respondent Presentation is the individual score from each of the three judges, added together.

Individual performance of the Teams members was assessed based on the same general criteria as the performance of the Teams’ oral pleadings. The Panellists were guided by factors such as: competence, inclusion of all relevant facts, structure and logic of the argument, soundness of the argument presented, response to questions by The Panels, time management, role of Team members etc. Each member of The Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent per Team member for an individual performance. Total of 600 points could have been received by one Team throughout the Preliminary Rounds.

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*The Grand Final consisted of seven (7) Panellists.

** Each member of the Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent. The scores given by each of the Panellists would then be added together.

Therefore, the maximum score for each oral argument any Team presented was 700 points.

**IELPO Prizes Awarded to ELSA Regional Round Helsinki**

One of the EMC2 major sponsors, IELPO (Universitate De Barcelona), provided ‘educational’ prizes the Winner and Runner-up Team as well as the Best Orator of the Regional Rounds. Ms. Laura Gómez Bustos of IELPO presented the Awards to the following teams and individual during a special segment of the Awards Dinner of the Final Oral Round in Santo Domingo on Saturday, 29 May 2010.

**Winner of ELSA Regional Round** - Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland
Voucher for 40 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or
An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.

*Up to a maximum of 5 students will be accepted for the same specialized course (i.e. four team members and one student coach).

Runner-up of ELSA Regional Round – Team 025 - The University of Barcelona, Spain

Voucher for 20 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or
An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.

*Up to a maximum of 5 students will be accepted for the same specialized course (i.e. four team members and one student coach).

Best Orator Preliminary Rounds of ELSA Regional Round - Wolfgang Alschner, Team 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

Voucher for 20 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or
An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.

Concluding remarks
The Regional Round in Helsinki was a great success and you could definitely see that the organisers had worked together on big projects before. This benefitted them a lot. To have several people responsible for different things and then extra helpers for the big tasks showed a professionalism towards participants and panellists.

I hope you will all contribute towards the European Law Students’ Association and the competition’s goal of facing the global challenge.

Sincerely,

Amanda Bertilsdotter Nilsson
Vice President Academic Activities, ELSA International 2009/2010
Head of Organisation Committee
ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law – 2009-2010
The non-ELSA ASIA Regional Round of the EMC² 2009-2010

ASIA Regional Round Organiser
For the fifth consecutive year, ELSA International’s long term partner, the ASIAN Centre for WTO and International Health Law and Policy (ACWH) – National Taiwan University was appointed the Regional Round Organiser (RRO). ACWH, under the direction of its Executive Director and former Dean of the College of Law (NTU), Professor Chang-fa Lo once again hosted a high quality and memorable ASIA Regional Round on the 17th to 20th March, in Taipei, Taiwan at the GIS Convention Centre.

For those of you who are unaware, Professor Lo was awarded ELSA’s highest honour of ‘ELSA Patron’ in May 2009 at the close of the Final Oral Round, which was held for the first time outside of Europe. The ‘ELSA Patron’ award is recognition of Professor Lo’s extensive contribution to clinical legal education globally and his dedication to young law students.

Academic Quality of the ASIA RR

Panellists
Our sincere thanks to all our Panellists for their enthusiasm, dedication and at times, highly complex questions. Their participation made the ASIA Regional Round a wonderful experience for the participants and an event which is likely to attract many teams for the region in the future:

- Professor Mitsuo Matsushita – University of Tokyo, Japan;
- Professor Yasuhei Taniguchi – University of Kyoto, Japan;
- Mr Carlo Gamberale – Counsellor WTO Appellate Body Secretariat, Switzerland;
- Professor Bryan Mercurio – The Chinese University, Hong Kong (and 2009-2010 EMC² Case Author);
- Professor (Dr) Shin-yi Péng – Director Institute of Law for Science & Technology, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan (and 2007-2008 EMC² Case Author);
- Professor Mary Hiscock – Bond University, Australia (and Inaugural EMC² Pacific Regional Round Administrator as well as PRR and FOR ‘Panellist Alumni’);
- Professor David Morgan – University of Melbourne, Australia (and PRR and FOR ‘Panellist Alumni’);
- Assistant Professor Pasha L. Hsieh – Singapore Management University, Singapore (and former WTO Appellate Body Secretariat Intern);
- Ms Jen-ni Yang – Deputy Chief Representative - Office of Trade Negotiations, ministry of Economic Affairs, Taiwan
- Mr Chern-chyi Chen – Negotiator (Rules & Legal Affairs) - Office of Trade Negotiations, ministry of Economic Affairs, Taiwan
- Ms Liang-rong Li – WTO Legal Advisor – Office of Trade Negotiations, ministry of Economic Affairs, Taiwan
The individuals chosen to judge the ASIA Regional Round were all qualified WTO practitioners and academics. We were particularly fortunate to have three world renowned WTO legal experts participate as Panellist. Firstly, former WTO Appellate Body Member – Professor Mitsuo Matsushita (1995-2000) who has been a part of the ASIA RR since its establishment in 2006. Secondly, attending their first EMC competition as Panellist, former WTO Appellate Body Member - Professor Yasuhei Taniguchi (2001-2007) and Mr Carlo Gamberale – Counsellor WTO Appellate Body Secretariat.

A number of the Panellists stated that they had thoroughly enjoyed the experience of judging and especially assisting young law students from their region to develop their analytical and advocacy skills. Similar to other regional rounds, many of the Panellist were ‘Alumni’ who judged in the 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 ASIA Regional Rounds as well as the Final Oral Round held in Taipei in May 2009. In addition, as the ASIA Regional Round increased in size other Regional Round ‘Panellist Alumni’ were flown in to judge the event.

Some Panellists indicated that they would like to read the participants’ Written Submissions. Consequently, a randomly selected Complainant and Respondent Written Submission were sent to all Panellists. All commented that the participants had indeed developed their oral pleadings since tendering their written documents.

Oral Pleading Sessions

The Preliminary Round pleading sessions were conducted concurrently over two days. Professor Mercurio, Professor Hiscock, Professor Morgan, Ambassador Supperamaniam and Ms Liang kindly agreed to Chair all the Preliminary Round thereby lending a consistency to the process. The two Semi-Final Panels were Chaired by the Asia-Pacific Academic Supervisor, Mrs Letizia Raschella-Sergi and Professor Mitsuo Matsushita Chaired the Grand Final. All Panellists were mindful of the EMC^2 Rules and only permitted Orators to run over time if they were answering the Panel’s questions. Participants were reminded of the importance of time management, paced oral submissions and the fact that for all
participants in the ASIA Regional Round that English was not their first language (for either participants and most of the Panellist) – hence articulation of arguments was crucial.

Written Submissions
For the fifth consecutive year, Professor Shin-yi Pêng and the ASIA-Pacific Academic Supervisor, Mrs Letizia Raschella-Sergi (Institute for International Trade - University of Adelaide) judged all the Written Submissions. The ASIA-Pacific Academic Supervisor also briefed the Panellists, during the Panellists’ Briefing session, in relation to arguments put forward by teams in their Written Submissions, as of the 29th January 2010 (Written Submission deadline). As experienced in other Regional Rounds, the teams progressed from their Written Submission pleadings by the time they orally pleaded in Taipei.

Timekeepers
The Panels were assisted with time management by members of the ASIA RRO Secretariat who acted as Timekeepers for all the pleadings sessions. Timers were utilised and this made it easier to record each Orators’ pleading time as well as the overall team pleading time In addition, they provided the Panel Chair with additional information regarding any breaches of the time rules. Furthermore, the ASIA-Pacific Academic Supervisor monitored all Preliminary Round sessions, allocated Panellist to hearings, managed the assessment sheets and any breaches of the EMC2 Rules as well as answered competitors and Panellists questions.

ASIA RR Participating Teams
The ASIA Regional Round has grown exponentially and is now a prestige mootng competition in the region. In 2010 we were delighted that 11 teams from Hong Kong, India, Japan, the Philippines South Korea, Taiwan and Vietnam registered for the ASIA Regional Round competition.

With WTO experts Panellist such as well as the 2009-2010 Case Author, Professor Bryan Mercurio, not only was the students knowledge of WTO tested, but also their understanding of intellectual property rights and the application to the emerging health remedy industry, which were relative to the legal arguments in question. All Panellists commented on the student’ superior advocacy skills displayed by the team participants. Of particular note is first time panellist, Professor Taniguchi’s observation who noted that ‘some of the participant’s presentations and time management skills were as good, if not better than real WTO counsel submitting cases.’

Congratulations to all the ASIA RR teams on their performance at the competition!

ASIA RR Sponsors and Awards
Professor Chang-Fa Lo is to be congratulated for securing Taiwan’s major trade law firms to sponsor the ASIA RR. Such sponsorship ensured that quality judges would judge the event as well as providing
the Certificates for all the Participants and Panellist and the magnificent trophies for the Winners of all categories.

Participants were awarded their Certificates and Trophies whilst Panellist received thank you certificates at the official ASIA Regional Round Presentation Dinner - which was held after the Grand Final on Saturday, 20th March at the prestigious Sherwood Hotel – a truly magnificent venue for an auspicious occasion.

**Ranking after the Preliminary Rounds**

At the conclusion of the Preliminary Rounds the teams was ranked as follows:

1st ranked: Team 029 – Gujarat National Law University, India

2nd ranked: Team 051 – Yonsei University, South Korea

3rd ranked: Team 030 – West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, India

4th ranked: Team 068 – Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines

5th ranked: Team 044 – National Taiwan University, Taiwan

6th ranked: Team 049 – National Chiao Tong University, Taiwan

7th ranked: Team 037 - University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong

8th ranked: Team 001 – Diplomatic Academy, Vietnam

9th ranked: Team 061 – Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, India

10th ranked: Team 048 – Korea University, Taiwan

11th ranked: Team 026 - Yokohama National University, Japan

**Elimination Rounds:**

Semi-Finalists 1: Team 029 (ranked 1st) vs. Team 030 (ranked 3rd) = Winner Team 029

Semi-Finalists 2: Team 068 (ranked 4th) vs. Team 051 (ranked 2nd) = Winner Team 068

**Grand Final:**
Grand Final: Team 068 vs. Team 029 = Winner Team 068

The following teams and individuals received trophies and certificates generously donated by all the sponsors of the ASIA RR:

**Winner of the EMC³ ASIA Regional Round**

Team 068 - Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines

**Runner-up of the EMC³ ASIA Regional Round**

Team 029 - Gujarat National Law University, India

**Best Complainant Written Submission of the ASIA Regional Round:**

Team 051 – Yonsei University, South Korea

**Best Respondent Written Submission of the ASIA Regional Round:**

Team 044 – National Taiwan University, Taiwan

‘The Professor (Dr) Shin-yi Péng Award’ for the Best Overall Written Submissions of the ASIA Regional Round:

Team 051 – Yonsei University, South Korea

**Best Orator Preliminary Rounds:**

Ms Anshu Choudhary, Team 029 – Gujarat National Law University, India

**Best Orator Semi Final Rounds**

Ms Sneha Janakirama, Team 030 – West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, India

**Best Orator Grand Final Round**

Ms Clarissa Bettina Faylora, Team 068 - Ateneo De Manila University, The Philippines

**Written Submission Awards**

In 2009-2010 ELSA International in-conjunction with ACWH and the EMC³ Asia-Pacific Academic Supervisor agreed to name the Overall Written Submissions Award in honour of Professor (Dr) Shin-yi Péng. Professor Péng has since the inception of the ASIA Regional Round contributed significantly by marking every Written Submissions. In addition in 2007-2008 she was also the EMC³ Case Author. We would like to sincerely thank Professor Péng for her significant contribution to the EMC as well as clinical legal education globally. The following teams received trophies and certificates generously donated by the sponsors of the ASIA Regional Round:
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IELPO Prizes Awarded to Asian Regional Round Teams

One of the EMC2 major sponsor, IELPO (Universitate De Barcelona), provided ‘educational’ prizes the Winner and Runner-up Team as well as the Best Orator of the Asia Regional Round Ms. Laura Gómez Bustos of IELPO presented the Awards to the following teams and individual during a special segment of the Awards Dinner of the Final Oral Round in Santo Domingo on Saturday, 29 May 2010.

Winner of Asia Regional Round - Team 068 - Ateneo De Manila University, The Philippines:

Voucher for 40 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or

An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.
*Up to a maximum of 5 students will be accepted for the same specialized course (i.e. four team members and one student coach).

**Runner-up of Asia Regional Round - Team 029 - Gujarat National Law University, India**

Voucher for 20 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or

An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.

*Up to a maximum of 5 students will be accepted for the same specialized course (i.e. four team members and one student coach).

**Best Orator Preliminary Rounds of Asia Regional Round - Ms Anshu Choudhary - Team 029 - Gujarat National Law University, India**

Voucher for 20 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or

An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.

**Academic Supervisor’s concluding Remarks**

The fifth ASIA RR was a highly successful event, Professor Chang-fa Lo and his 2009-2010 ASIA Regional Round Event Coordinator - Ms Rou-yun Tu and Marketing Co-ordinator - Ms Tiffany Ting Sun are to be sincerely congratulated for the professional organization of the moot court competition.

All participants were provided with a folder pack containing the event information and welcome gifts. Participants, Panellists and sponsors were attended to with efficiency, courtesy and professionalism.

ACWH arranged for professional designers to brand the event and produced various promotional material including; event programs, acrylic document case; banners, posters, event name tags; place table tags as well as wonderful participation certificates. It is suggested that the EMC² follows ACWH’s lead and instigate a brand marketing campaign to raise the profile of the competition and the marketability to employers of all participants.

The organization of the ASIA Regional Round continues to push the standard of the EMC² for all Regional Round Organisers – my sincerest congratulations to Professor Lo on an outstanding event and I very much look forward to working with him and his new team in 2011!

Sincerely,

**Mrs Letizia Raschella-Sergi**

**EMC² Asia-Pacific Academic Supervisor**
The non-ELSA Pacific ‘Written’ Regional Round of the EMC2 2009-2010

Pacific Regional Round Organiser
For the 5th year - the Institute for International Trade (IIT) - University of Adelaide were the Regional Round Organiser and former WTO Deputy-Director General and IIT Executive Director, Mr Andrew Stoler, was the Regional Round Administrator (RRA).

At the close of Team Registrations in January 2010, only two teams from the Pacific had registered for the event. ELSA International, in keeping with the agreement entered into with IIT, immediately converted the ‘oral’ event into the Pacific ‘Written’ Regional Round.

Pacific Regional Round Participant Teams
Two teams from the Pacific region registered for the Pacific Regional Round and another three expressed interest. Two reasons were given for limited registrations from the region: firstly, that due to the world financial crisis, most Australian and New Zealand Law Schools had restricted assistance for financial support of students wishing to enter mooting competitions and secondly, that sponsorship from local law firms was not forthcoming.

The event at the close of Team Registration (7 December 2009) was converted to a ‘Written’ Regional Round with two teams, with only the Winner progressing to the Final Oral Round in Santo Domingo. A week prior to the competition the other PWRR registered team advised that it was withdrawing from the competition due to ‘personal’ reasons and would therefore not be submitting any Written Submissions. Team 020 (University of Melbourne) was declared the Winner of the ‘PWRR’ and proceeded to the Final Oral Round in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

Pacific ‘Written’ Regional Round Awards
Although Team 020 was declared the ‘PWRR’ winner by default, the calibre of the team was high as evident by their performance at the Final Oral Round in Santo Domingo as they were ranked 1st at the conclusion of the Preliminary Rounds and won the Best Respondent Written Submission – The Valerie Hughes Award.

Team 020’s Written Submissions were not marked as part of the ‘PWRR’ however were directly entered into the FOR pool of documents to be marked as per rule 6.9.11. Details of Team 020’s Written Submissions scores can be found under the FOR section of this Report.
‘PWRR’ Participation and Award Certificates were distributed to Team 020 in Santo Domingo as follows:

**Best Complainant Written Submission:**

Team 020 – University of Melbourne, Australia

**Best Respondent Written Submission:**

Team 020 – University of Melbourne, Australia

**Best Overall Written Submissions:**

Team 020 – University of Melbourne, Australia

**IELPO Prizes Awarded to Pacific ‘Written’ Regional Round Winners**

One of the EMC2 major sponsor, IELPO (Universitate De Barcelona), provided ‘educational’ prizes to the Winner of the Pacific ‘Written’ Regional Round. Ms. Laura Gómez Bustos of IELPO presented the Awards to the team during a special segment of the Awards Dinner of the Final Oral Round in Santo Domingo on Saturday, 29 May 2010.

**Winner of Pacific ‘Written’ Regional Round - Team 020 – The University of Melbourne, Australia**

Voucher for 40 hours of IELPO’s specialised courses; or

An equivalent waiver on the tuition fees for IELPO’s LLM (International Economic Law and Policy) Programme to be used during the IELPO 2010-2011 academic year.

*Up to a maximum of 5 students will be accepted for the same specialized course (i.e. four team members and one student coach).*

**Academic Supervisor’s concluding remarks**

I have been involved with the EMC2 competition since its inception in 2002. The Pacific Regional Round continues to be challenging due to externalities. What is evident from the facts that for two years the Pacific Regional Round has had to be converted to a ‘Written’ competition is that the Round will be merged with the Asia Regional Round to become the Asia-Pacific Regional Round in 2010-2011. We realise that this is disappointing for the teams from the Pacific region, however ELSA considers it be the most viable option as students from the Pacific will have the opportunity to meet and compete against students from Asia, their closest and most important trading nations.
Notwithstanding the difficulties experienced in the Pacific Regional Round, the competition continues to expand globally and gain prestige in the various government ministries that handle WTO policy and disputes as well as law firms and research centres.

Congratulations to all the 2009-2010 EMC² participants, you have taken part in an event that has challenged your intellect and legal research skills whilst developing your diplomatic advocacy skills. I have no doubt that your experience will positively assist you in your future international trade law careers!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Letizia Raschella-Sergi

EMC² Asia-Pacific Academic Supervisor
The non-ELSA North America Regional Round (NARR) of the EMC²

NARR Regional Round organizational issues

The Regional Round was very well organised and logistics were excellent. In particular, it was very useful that Ms. Ieva Zebryte was able to come to Ottawa in advance of the NARR to train time-keepers, judges, etc. and to oversee.

The role of the Ottawa University and the importance its Faculty of Common Law places on moot courts as legal education tool and method allowed a very comfortable stay in Ottawa.

Academic Quality of the NARR RR

i) Panellists

NARR panellists were of very high quality and generally a good blending of academic and practice oriented judges. The only thought that comes to mind – and it is a delicate balance – is that a final round judge who has not sat in an earlier round is less effective in challenging teams to trespass to a higher level. At the same time, a high quality final round may not have the time to sit for more than one round.

ii) Oral Pleading Sessions

The Preliminary Round pleading sessions were conducted in one day (Friday) with the elimination rounds and final taking place on Saturday. The experience of the Ottawa University staff – Prof. Debra Steger and Prof. Anthony Daimsis – and the quantity of teams (6) allowed a very tight and effective schedule and consistency in judging.

Timekeepers

The Panels were assisted with time management by members of the University of Ottawa’s law faculty student body who acted as Timekeepers for all the pleadings sessions. Timers were used and this made it easier to record the times of speakers, in particular to make it easier to let judges know if a speaker had gone over his or her time.

NARR RR Participating Teams

There were six participating teams;

- Duke University;
- Valparaiso University School of Law;
- University of Pennsylvania;
NARR RR Sponsors and Awards

Prof. Debra Steger managed to secure some outside financing from the law firm of Sidley Austin. In addition, the University of Ottawa Common Law Faculty, also contributed.

The ranking was as follows:

Preliminary rounds:

1st ranked team: 052 – University of Ottawa, Canada
2nd ranked team: 071 – Duke University, USA
3rd ranked team: 066 – University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Law
4th ranked team: 076 – American University Washington College of Law, USA
5th ranked team: 041 – University of Pennsylvania
6th ranked team: 022 – Valparaiso University School of Law

Elimination Rounds:

Semi-Final 1:
Team 052 vs. Team 066: Winner: Team 052

Semi-Final 2:
Team 071 vs. Team 076 Winner: Team 071

Grand Final:
Team 052 vs. Team 071: Winner: Team 071

The following teams and individuals received trophies and certificates generously donated by all the sponsors of the NARR:
Winner of the EMC² NARR Regional Round
Team 071 – Duke University

Runner-up of the EMC² NARR Regional Round
Team 052 – University of Ottawa, Canada

Best Complainant Written Submission
Team 071 – Duke University, USA

Best Respondent Written Submission
Team 052 – University of Ottawa, Canada

Best Overall Written Submissions
Team 071 – Duke University, USA

Best Orator Preliminary Rounds
Mr Jonathan O’Hara, Team 052 – University of Ottawa, Canada

Best Orator Semi Final Rounds
Mr Sheridan S. McKinney, Team 076 – American University Washington College of Law, USA

Best Orator Grand Final Round
Mr Calvin Winder, Team 071 – Duke University, USA
**Scores in numbers:**

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Academic Supervisor's concluding Remarks

I am very happy that the NARR has consistently improved over the years and has finally reached the level it and its teams and participating universities deserve. It could not have happened without dedication of the Ottawa University and its staff who was involved (both in their professional and personal quality). My sincere thank you goes to them.

Finally, I hope that the North American universities will continue to volunteer to organise a high quality NARR. I promise full cooperation, support and help to any such entity in order to maintain the EMC2 – the global WTO law moot court – spirit alive on all of the continents.

Sincerely,

Ieva Zebyte

EMC² Americas Academic Supervisor
The non-ELSA Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Round (LARR) of the EMC²

Organizational Aspects

The Committee of Foreign Affairs of the Center for Studies of Law Firms - CESA acted as the LARR Organiser of the non-ELSA Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Round (LARR) in São Paulo, 2nd–5th March, 2010. CESA is an educational, nonprofit association constituted by Brazilian Law firms. Founded on 1983, it has been gradually expanding its activities and extending its reach nationally and abroad, and currently has more than 800 associated companies. Besides organizing the LARR of the EMC² 2009-2010, CESA is responsible for organizing the Program for Young Lawyers at the Brazilian Mission before the World Trade Organization in Geneva.

i) Logistics

In order to host the ELSA Moot Court - Latin America and the Caribbean Regional Round Edition, negotiations were held with the Fundação Armando Álvares Penteado University – FAAP so that the competition could take place at the Convention Centre of FAAP, in the city of São Paulo, during 4 days.

In addition, the Organiser made reservations for the Panelists in the Transamerica Hotel, nearby the Convention Centre of FAAP, while the Teams inscribed to the event were placed at the Comfort Downtown Hotel and granted daily transportation to the Convention Centre by a transfer service especially assigned to them.

ii) Finances

Two basic sources of income were considered for the organization of the LARR: the Participation Fee charged to all Teams inscribed to the event, according to ELSA International’s rules, and the sponsorship of Law Firms and Companies somehow related to international trade matters. On the other hand, the major costs before and during the event were related to the flight-tickets for the Panelists, hotel reservations, transfer services, meals, and printing of certificates and banners. Still, in spite of these major costs, the Organisers were able to finish the event with a surplus in their budget.

iii) Other organizational issues

During the moot court competition, an International Seminar was held at FAAP University Convention Centre, in the afternoon of March 4th. The seminar was divided into 3 sessions in which 9 speakers participated. The speech topics included three interesting subjects, as follows:

- Session 1 - Trade and climate change
  - Mr. Thomas Felsberg - Felsberg e Associados Law Firm - Chairman
  - Prof. Bradley Condon - ITAM
  - Prof. Alberto do Amaral Jr. - University of Sao Paulo
- Session 2 – Cross retaliation: viability and consequences
  - Mr. Renê Medrado - Pinheiro Neto Law Firm - Chairman
  - Cons. Luciano Mazza - Brazilian Ministry of Foreign Affairs
  - Mr. Andreas Sennekamp – Legal Officer – WTO Appellate Body Secretariat

- Session 3 – Insertion of Developing Countries in the Multilateral Trading System in the XXI Century
  - Ambassador Sergio Amaral - Felsberg e Associados Law Office
  - Prof. Umberto Celli Jr. - University of Sao Paulo

Academic Quality of the LARR

i) Panellists

The individuals chosen to judge the LARR Regional Round were all qualified WTO practitioners and academics and we were particularly fortunate to have Mr Andreas Sennekamp – Legal Officer – WTO Appellate Body Secretariat judge the Preliminary Rounds, one of the Semi Finals and the Grand Final of the event. We are also extremely grateful for Prof. Bradley Condon (ITAM) who assumed in the last minute the role of the Academic Supervisor and was of immeasurable relevance in conducting the LARR activities.

Besides Mr. Andreas Sennekamp and Prof. Bradley Condon, the following experts also participated as Panellists:

  - Mr. Pedro Negueloaecheserry – Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Argentina
  - Prof. Umberto Celli Jr. – University of São Paulo and Appleton Luff (Local Counsel for Brazil and Latin America)
  - Ms. Ana Carolina Motta - WTO practitioner from Brazil
  - Prof. Edson Beas – Intellectual Property expert from Brazil
  - Dr. Nicolas Cobo - Pontifica Universidad Católica de Chile

A number of the Panellists stated that they had thoroughly enjoyed the experience of judging and especially assisting young law students from the Latin America and the Caribbean to develop their analytical and advocacy skills.

ii) Oral Pleading Sessions

The oral pleading sessions were held during the four days of the event, composed of three Panellists and assisted by two timekeepers in each session. The performance of the participant teams in these sessions was well above the average, as acknowledged by all the Panellists, as all of them showed great interest in the case under discussion and respected the rules concerning these sessions.
Timekeepers
The Panels were assisted with time management by voluntary students who acted as Timekeepers for all the pleadings sessions. Timers were utilised and this made it easier to record each team’s pleadings. It is important to stress that none of these students had any affiliation whatsoever to the universities that participated in the LARR.

Written Submissions
Similarly to what happened in prior editions, EMC² 2009-2010 LARR newcomers showed the best results for Written Submissions. The Brazilian team of Pontificia Universidade Católica de São Paulo (Team 070) has triumphed and was granted the awards for “Best Complainant Written Submission”, “Best Respondent Written Submission”, and “Best Overall Written Submission”. Norman Manley Law School, the winner of the LARR, came very close second with their written submissions.

LARR Participating Teams
Reflecting the growing prestige of ELSA’s WTO Moot Court competition in the region, this year’s edition counted with the greatest number of participating teams ever, from several nationalities, such as Brazil, Colombia, Mexico and Jamaica, from the following universities:

- National Autonomous University of Mexico (Mexico)
- Universidad Sergio Arboleda (Colombia)
- Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Colombia)
- Universidad de Los Andes (Colombia)
- Instituto Tecnologico Autonomo de Mexico (Mexico)
- Norman Manley Law School (Jamaica)
- Pontificia Universidade Católica de São Paulo (Brazil)
- Universidad del Rosario (Colombia)

LARR Sponsors and Awards

i) Sponsorship
During the organization of LARR, it became clear for the Organisers that sponsorship could play a very important role in financing and advertising. For that reason, CESA created an structured plan for attracting sponsorship by establishing different categories of sponsors according to their contribution to the event. In the most important category, for example, the contributing was given numerous benefits, such as special publicity of its trademark in promotional materials, insertion of its logotype at the website of the event, among others. As a result, the LARR event received sponsorship from important Brazilian law firms with a very active presence in international trade law.
ii) Awards

The ranking was as follows:

**Preliminary Rounds:**

1st ranked team: 067 - Norman Manley Law School, Jamaica  
2nd ranked team: 054 - Universidad de Los Andes, Colombia  
3rd ranked team: 039 - Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Colombia  
4th ranked team: 070 - Pontificia Universidade Católica de São Paulo, Brazil  
5th ranked team: 028 – Universidad Sergio Arboleda, Colombia  
6th ranked team: 055 - Instituto Tecnologico Autónomo de Mexico, Mexico  
7th ranked team: 010 – National Autonomous University of Mexico, Mexico  
8th ranked team: 073 - Universidad del Rosario, Colombia

**Elimination Rounds:**

Semi-Final 1:  
Team 054 vs. Team 039: Winner: Team 039  
Semi-Final 2:  
Team 067 vs. Team 070: Winner: Team 067

**Grand Final:**  
Team 039 vs. Team 067: Winner: Team 039

The following teams and individuals received trophies and certificates generously donated by all the sponsors of the LARR:

**Winner of the EMC² LARR Regional Round**

Team 039 – Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Colombia

**Runner-up of the EMC² LARR Regional Round**
Team 067 - Norman Manley Law School, Jamaica

**Best Complainant Written Submission**

Team 070 - Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo, Brazil

**Best Respondent Written Submission**

Team 070 - Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo, Brazil

**Best Overall Written Submissions**

Team 070 - Pontifícia Universidade Católica de São Paulo, Brazil

**Honourable Mention for the Overall Written Submissions**

Team 067 - Norman Manley Law School, Jamaica

**Best Orators Grand Final Round**

Mr. Duwayne Lawrence - Team 067 - Norman Manley Law School

Mr. Juan Pablo Caicedo - Team 039 - Pontifícia Universidad Javeriana

**Best Orator Semi Final Round**

Ms Kamilla Aidar - Team 067 - Norman Manley Law School

**Best Orator Preliminary Rounds**

Mr Carlos Esguerra - Team 054 - Universidad de Los Andes

**The Spirit of ELSA Award**

Team 055 - Instituto Tecnologico Autónomo de Mexico, Mexico
Scores in numbers:

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Academic Supervisor’s concluding Remarks

The fifth LARR was a highly successful event. Participants, panellists and sponsors were attended to with efficiency, courtesy and professionalism all due to the Organisers - Abrao, Ana Paula, Fernanda, Felipe and Wagner of CESA. THANK YOU!

Finally, LARR has growth in is now a prestige mooting competition in the region. Congratulations to all the LARR RR teams on their performance at the competition!

Sincerely,

Ieva Zebryte Bradly Condon

EMC² Americas Academic Supervisor EMC² Academic Advisor & LARR Supervisor
INTERNATIONAL WRITTEN ROUND

The International Written Round, organised by ELSA International, was designed to select teams from WTO Member and Observer States not covered by either the National or Regional Rounds.

During the 8th edition 5 teams registered for the International Written Round, but in the end no teams handed in their written submissions and therefore no teams were competing in the Final Oral Round. It is still the aim of ELSA International to remove the international written round, and expand the competition into the Middle East and Africa with two new Oral Rounds in the future.

Sincerely,

Amanda Bertilsdotter Nilsson
Vice President Academic Activities

ELSA International 2009/2010

Head of Organisation Committee
ELSA Moot Court Competition 2009/2010
FINAL ORAL ROUND
– Report from the IOS

International Organizing Secretariat (IOS)

The Final Oral Round (FOR) took place in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic 24th-30th of May 2010. The International Organising Secretariat (IOS) was lead by Mr Amaury A. Reyes-Torres and his team from COLADIC-RD.

The IOS worked as one during the preparation, regardless of the function separation within the team, with Amaury A. Reyes-Torres responsible of informing Ms. Ieva Zebryte (Academic Supervisor for the Americas), Ms. Amanda Bertilsdotter Nilsson (Vice-President Academic Activities) and Mr. Morten Rydningen (EMC² Director) about the developments of the EMC² FOR organizing details: Panellists’ confirmation, venues, accommodation, etc. The communications through emails and Skype were really important and helpful, and this should be a general working-rule for the next IOS assuming the honor of organizing the FOR EMC². The IOS maintained weekly communication and monthly meetings of the main positions of the IOS during the monthly Board of Directives Meeting of COLADIC-RD.

In the major tasks, i.e. Panellists coordination, Ms. Zebryte had direct communication with the persons designated to perform a specific task, in order to provide that person with a more experienced view on how it should be performed and to show how to conciliate previous practices with the ones taking place for the current edition of the FORs.

The main recommendation we offer the next IOS Team, depending in the local circumstances of course, is to have most of the team members available full-time during the rounds in order to have all the support that may be required for the correct development of the rounds, as well as to provide assistance to the teams.

Venues

i) Accommodation

The venue chosen for the accommodation was Clarion International Hotel, for both Panellists and participants. The hotel was chosen because it provided better accommodation and services at the moment, the proper structure needed to assure logistic support to assist the Panellists and participants, as well as to hold the Rounds (Preliminaries). Also, the prices at the time of the bookings were better than others hotels located in similar or more touristic areas of the metropolitan city, specially Santo Domingo Hotel, venue where the RR in 2005 were held. We recommend the next IOS to book the hotel rooms as early as possible, if this is within your economic possibilities.
ii) Pleading Rooms

We had three types of rooms: Pleading Rooms, Panelists’ Room and IOS Room. We arranged with the hotel the possibility of having an extra room for the IOS in order to be used as a headquarters for the IOS, in which all the pertinent materials of the day and for the next days could be stored.

The Pleading Rooms in the hotel offered very useful facilities for the rounds, specially for the arrangement of the tables for Panelists, Teams, Timekeepers and seats for the public, to place the competition banner and the Pleading Room name tag. Also, the facilities helped prevent unusual noise to avoid the interruption of the rounds and managed to arrange tables outside of the rooms for the sponsor’s materials to be displayed. Likewise, one of the rooms was used for the announcement of the semifinalists.

On another hand, it was decided to change the venue of the event for the Semi-Finals and Grand Final Rounds to integrate a local University in the project as a mid-term benefit. For this reason, the Semi-Final and Grand Final rounds were held at Iberoamerican University (UNIBE). UNIBE offered its facilities for the Rounds and a Panelists’ Room in the professor’s lounge, as well as coffebreaks and lunch facilities, all very useful, except for a couple of issues out of our control regarding noises, disturbances and the sound system in the GF. However, the rounds were good and were appreciated according to the opinion of the public, the Panelists and other participants.

Meals

We used big and comfortable rooms for the meals, Breakfast and Lunch, with very complete, diverse and heavy options for both. For dinner, we carried out individual meals for the participants to take up to their rooms, lighter than the breakfast and dinner. The meals will depend on the tradition and culture of the country hosting the FOR. In Dominican Republic it is very common to have light meal (Soup, Sandwich, etc) for dinner, contrary to breakfast and lunch which are very important and heavy. Therefore, as a conclusive finding, it is very important to duly inform the participants and Panelists of the event about the content of the meals, preferably before the arrival of the teams.

Fundraising

Along with the assistance and guidance of Ms. Zebryte (Academic Supervisor) we have been able to develop a couple of documents that helped form fundraising strategy. We sent presentations, programs and proposals to our past sponsors and new potential sponsors, informing them of the projects and how all this would benefit their institution, especially public institutions. However, contrary to past events, the support for the event by sponsors was not as high as expected, particularly considering
there is a deep culture on Intellectual Property Rights and Regional Trade Agreements’ experience in the Dominican Republic. The fundraising should be developed taking into account the market characteristics of the EMC² FOR venue for the following years.

As for local sponsors, we got support from the Dominican Institute for Telecommunications (INDOTEL), Iberoamerican University (UNIBE), National Mutual Savings Association Mutual (ALNAP) and Alternative Dispute Resolution Center (CRC). As for Global Sponsors, we got the support of World Trade Institute (WTI), IELPO, Norwegian Seafood Export Council (NESC), TradeLaw Guide and technical support from the World Trade Organization. All the sponsors collaborated with the project either by funds’ transfers to the IOS or by providing academic resources for the event (sponsoring Panellists and Gifts / Prizes for the winner.

Marketing

In this area we got the help from SEPU, a Taiwanese design company that made all the marketing designs for the EMC² 2009-2010, specially for the FOR. For this edition, SEPU made an excellent case-related art, inspired in the facts of the case and very artistic.

The WTO International Conference “The Regional Trade Agreements: The Fragmentation of International Trade Law”.

The Conference was a big part of the Academic Agenda organized for the EMC² FOR 2009–2010, under the coordination of Prof. Bradly J. Condon (ITAM). Since Prof. Condon was not able to arrive to the Dominican Republic due to academic commitments, Ms. Zebyte assisted him, alongside Ms. Daniela Collado-Chávez, who also served as a Panellist during the rounds and Ms. Renny Reyes.

The academic program addressed many important issues on Regional Trade Agreements, of which the participants found very interesting papers presented. Also, the interventions made by the participants reflected their attention to each of the topics addressed, as well as the interventions made by other speakers, such as Prof. Taniguchi, who made valuable and remarkable interventions, not only as a keynote speaker, but also as a spectator that actively intervened with inquiries on the other presentations.

The conference was held at the Main Hall of the Foreign Affairs’ Ministry. The institution kindly cooperated with providing their facilities and the coffee breaks, making of this academic event a pleasant day.
Concluding Remarks

The results of the event were praised by the participants and Panellists that gave us their remarks and comments on the EMC² FOR 2009-2010 during the week, as well as their views on the country. We believe that we achieved the goal proposed and received excellent feedback. Nevertheless, we are fully aware of some issues to be corrected in the future if COLADIC-RD has once again the honor of hosting the EMC² FOR in terms of logistics raised during the present edition (Information and Timing during the week), the process of finding preferably fulltime Panellists and improve in order to secure the quality recognized in every EMC² FOR edition. It is important to have a good team and an advisor to help get things done during the week, that may seem endless, but a good team makes a good week.

Even when there is a new modality of the EMC² FOR (hosted by a different country every year) the characteristics of the hosting country have to be taken into account; as a team we managed an equilibrium that left a good impression on everyone.

It is important to note the significance of the role of the Academic Supervisor’s involvement in organizations issues, independently of their work on the Academic part of the event. Hundreds of emails between the IOS and Ms. Zebtrye, Mrs. Nielsen, Mrs. Raschella-Sergi and Ms. Amanda Bertilsdotter Nilsson demonstrate the hard work and passionate cooperation of these individuals, who gave us helpful advice, not only to have a good quality event, but also for the future of COLADIC-RD as an organization, which was very kind and truly appreciated.

As for the IOS, the persons who volunteered to this project had a great performance during the week and assumed the project as a personal goal, which was helpful for the achievement of a successful EMC² FOR Edition. The team recruited to assist the proper development of the event was very helpful and had an extraordinary will to help, not only to assist attendees and participants or Panellists or IOS members, but also to help their new friends and partners.

Sincerely,

Amaury A. Reyes-Torres
Head of the International Organizing Secretariat (IOS)
EMC² Final Oral Round 2010
The final stage of the ELSA Moot Court Competition’s 8th edition took place in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic 24th-30th May 2010. As in its 7th edition ELSA decided to outsource the hosting of the Final Oral Round, this year in cooperation with COLADIC-RD.

Amaury A. Reyes-Torres as the President of COLADIC-RD was chosen to coordinate and plan everything with his International Organising Secretariat (IOS). The change from previous years with outsourcing is that the hosting group is responsible for all the logistics and ELSA International for the Academic part of the competition. Thanks to a hard working team in Dominican Republic and my Academic Supervisor, Ms. Ieva Zebryte in Chile also this 8th edition of the Final Oral Round was a success.

Academic quality

List of Panellists:

- Professor Yaushei Taniguchi – Kyoto University, Japan and Former Appellate Body Member from Japan (2000-2007)
- Professor Ricardo Ramírez Hernández – Current Appellate Body Member (2009-2013)
- Professor Bryan Mercurio, 2009- 2010 EMC² Case Author, Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Ms Victoria Donaldson, Appellate Body Secretariat, World Trade Organization
- Mr Hannu Wager, IP Division, World Trade Organization
- Mrs Pamela Coke-Hamilton – IADB, Barbados
- Dr Christian Häberli, World Trade Institute and major sponsor of the EMC² Final Oral Round, Switzerland
- Dr. Hannes Schloemann, World Trade Institute Advisors, Switzerland
- Ms Chantal Ononaiwu, CARICOM, Barbados
- Dr. Daniela Collado (RD), Squire Sanders & Dempsey, Dominican Republic
- Mr Andreas Dynefors-Hallberg, Norwegian Seafood Export Council
- Dr. Laura Nielsen, University of Copenhagen, Denmark and Academic Supervisor – Europe
Mrs Letizia Raschella-Sergi, Institute for International Trade – University of Adelaide, Australia and Asia-Pacific Academic Supervisor

Ieva Zebryte, CaT Consulting and Training, Chile – Lithuania

In the Final Oral Round there was a mix of Panellists from all over the world. As the FOR took place in Santo Domingo, there were naturally a higher number of Panellists from the Latin America-Caribbean region.

The Panellists were a fine mixture of WTO Member government officials, academics, practitioners, and representatives from the World Trade Organization (WTO).

The Panellists were tough but fair in their evaluations which led to close scorings in several of the sessions. I conclude that the Panellists did a great effort in order to ensure that all teams were evaluated on the same basis, and I thank them for their professionalism and enthusiasm for the competition.

Timekeepers

Timekeepers did an excellent job during the competition, and it was a pleasure to have so many people available at all times. ELSA International was represented together with COLADIC-RD during every oral pleading session, as the Timekeepers consisted of one representative from ELSA and one representative from COLADIC-RD. Mrs Letizia Raschella-Sergi did a good job with briefing them all the day before and no mistakes where noticed during the rounds.

Participants

A total number of 16 teams participated in the Final Oral Round. As one of the teams from the LARR round had to cancel due to exam periods, ELSA International decided to invite the 3rd highest ranked team instead. As there were no teams from the IWR, ELSA International also decided to invite 3 teams from the ARR. All this to create an equal number of teams in the Final Oral Round.

**ELSA Regional Round in Leuven, Belgium**

1st ranked team: 046 – Maastricht University, The Netherlands

2nd ranked team: 032 – King’s College, United Kingdom

3rd ranked team: 060 – Kyiv National Taras Shevchenko University, Ukraine

4th ranked team: 064 – Universiteit van Amsterdam, The Netherlands

**ELSA Regional Round in Helsinki, Finland**

1st ranked team: 009 – The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

2nd ranked team: 025 – University of Barcelona – Spain
3rd ranked team: 016 – Martin Luther Universität - Halle-Wittenberg, Germany
4th ranked team: 040 – The University of Geneva, Switzerland

**Non-ELSA Asia Regional Round in Taipei, Taiwan**

1st ranked: Team 029 – Gujarat National Law University, India
2nd ranked: Team 051 – Yonsei University, South Korea
3rd ranked: Team 030 – West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, India
4th ranked: Team 068 – Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines

**Non-ELSA Pacific Written Regional Round**

1st ranked: Team 020 – University of Melbourne, Australia

**North American Regional Round in Ottawa, Canada**

1st ranked team: 052 – University of Ottawa, Canada
2nd ranked team: 071 – Duke University, USA

**Latin American Regional Round in Sao Paolo, Brazil**

2nd ranked team: 054 - University of Universidad de Los Andes, Colombia
3rd ranked team: 039 - Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Colombia

**Awards**

**Winner EMC² 2009/2010 – WTI AWARD**
Team 030 – West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, India

**Runner-up EMC² 2009/2010 – IELPO AWARD**
Team 052 – University of Ottawa, Canada

**Other Semi-Finalists**
Team 020 – The University of Melbourne, Australia
Team 029 – Gujarat National Law University, India
**Best Orator Preliminary Rounds**
Ms Sneha Janakiraman, Team 030 – West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, India

**Best Orator Semi Final Rounds – IEVA ZEBRYTE AWARD**
Ms Susana Kam, Team 052 – University of Ottawa, Canada

**Best Orator Grand Final Round**
Ms Sneha Janakiraman, Team 030 – West Bengal National University of Juridical Sciences, India

**Best Complainant Written Submission – GABRIELLE MARCEAU AWARD**
Team 016 - Martin Luther Universität - Halle-Wittenberg, Germany

**Best Respondent Written Submission – VALERIE HUGHES AWARD**
Team 020 - The University of Melbourne, Australia

**Best Overall Written Submissions – LETIZIA RASCHELLA-SERGI AWARD**
Team 009 - The Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Switzerland

**The Spirit of ELSA Award**
Team 064 – Universiteit van Amsterdam, The Netherlands

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The Total Respondent Oral Pleading Score is the overall team score from each of the three Panellists added together.

The Total of Overall Oral Pleading Score & Written Submission Score consists of 70% of the Oral Pleading Score and 30% of Written Submission.

Each member of the Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent. The scores given by each of the Panellists would then be added together.

Therefore, the maximum score for each oral argument any Team presented was 300 points. Each Team pleaded twice in the Preliminary Rounds – once as Complainant and once as Respondent. Therefore, the ranking was determined by adding up the points of the two sessions.

Total of 600 points could have been received by one Team throughout the Preliminary Rounds.

ii) **Best Orator after the Preliminary Rounds**

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The Total Score for Complainant Presentation is the individual score from each of the three judges, added together.

The Total Score for Respondent Presentation is the individual score from each of the three judges, added together.
Individual performance of the Teams members was assessed based on the same general criteria as the performance of the Teams’ oral pleadings.

The Panellists were guided by factors such as: competence, inclusion of all relevant facts, structure and logic of the argument, soundness of the argument presented, response to questions by The Panels, time management, role of Team members etc.

Each member of The Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent per Team member for an individual performance.

Total of 600 points could have been received by one participant throughout the Preliminary Rounds.

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*The Grand Final Panel consisted of seven (7) Panellists.

** Each member of the Panel could assign a maximum score of 100 points: 0-50 being poor, 51-64 being average, 65-84 being good, and 85-100 being excellent. The scores given by each of the Panellists would then be added together.

Therefore, the maximum score for each oral argument any Team presented was 700 points.
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Thank you all sponsors of the Final Oral Round who made this Final Oral Round possible.

Concluding remarks

The level of knowledge and mooting technique amongst the participants was extremely high, and it was not much difference between the teams which also can be seen from the scores. I believe all teams learned from this experience, and I certainly hope that all participants will encourage their fellow students to register for the competition next year and for all students who participated I hope that you will stay on for next year and coach your University team.

The European Law Students’ Association and the EMC² competition’s goal of facing the global challenge brought around 100 people from different legal backgrounds together in the paradise, Dominican Republic. It was amazing to see familiar faces again among both Panellists, Academic Advisor and Coaches and not to forget to see the incredible work of all participants’. The level of the
competition is raising every year and the students are put through a tough test but always perform outstanding.

It has been an honour to cooperate with COLADIC-RD and everyone involved in the making of the Final Oral Round.

I hope to see you all in Switzerland for the next edition!

Sincerely,

Amanda Bertilsdotter Nilsson
Vice President Academic Activities

ELSA International 2009/2010

Head of Organisation
ELSA Moot Court Competition on WTO Law – 2009/2010
APPRECIATION

FINAL ORAL ROUND Co-Organiser

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**Regional Rounds:**
Winners: 40 hours per team member
Runner-up: 20 hours per team member
Best Orator of the Preliminary Round: 20 hours per team member

**Final Oral Round**
Runner-up: 80 hours per team member
Written submissions:
Best Overall: 60 hours per team member
Best Complainant: 40 hours per team member
Best Respondent: 40 hours per team member
Best Orator Preliminary Rounds: 60 hours

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