



Online Young Lawyers Contest 2021

EU law in practice

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Key topics

- Criminal law
- Fundamental rights
- Access to data
- Company law
- Data protection

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English

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Young Lawyers Contest 2021

Thursday, 4 February 2021

7:30 Teams receive the documentation of the contest via e-mail

08:15 **Connection to VirBELA**

CONFERENCE HALL

08:45 **Opening and introduction to VirBELA and to the rules of the contest**
Florence Hartmann-Vareilles and Members of the Jury

I. FIRST ROUND: ORAL DEFENSE SESSION OF THE WRITTEN REPORT

09:00 **Defence of teams' written reports (5 parallel sessions)**
Each team is invited to sit at a specific table (A,B,C,D,E) and is given 10 minutes in order to introduce its written report to jury and the other team(s)

09:45 **Questions and answers by Teams and Jury**
Each team is given 5 minutes in order to ask 1 to 2 questions to the other team(s), before the jury is invited to ask questions to the different teams. Each team is given 10 minutes to answer the questions.

CONFERENCE HALL / LARGE BREAK OUT ROOM

11:00 Break and networking

CONFERENCE HALL

11:30 **Wrap up session with Jury and Teams: what went right and wrong?**
Jury comments on teams' pleadings and gives tips and tricks to teams

12:00 Lunch break for participants and Jury deliberation

II. SECOND ROUND: NEGOTIATION EXERCISE

CONFERENCE HALL

13:15 **Preparation of negotiation exercise**
Teams are invited to sit at their designated table (private sphere of communication between members of the teams)). Jury makes a tour de tables in conference hall, and answer to potential questions raised by participants

Team 1/table A
Team 2/table B
Team 3/table C
Team 4/table D
Team 5/table E
Team 6/table F
Team 7/table G
Team 8/table H
Team 9/table I
Team 10/table J
Team 11/table K
Team 12/table L

14:15 Break

14:30 **Oral negotiation**
Each Team is confronted to another team in front of a jury. Each team is given 10 minutes in order to give its position, before the negotiation continues in order to reach an agreement

15:30 **Wrap up session with the Jury: what went right and wrong?**

16:00 End of first day on VirBELA and Jury deliberation

ZOOM

Objective

The competition will bring together future lawyers from different European countries at a time when they are undergoing entry-level training to enable them to share common values, exchange new experiences and discuss fresh perspectives in areas of shared interest. Building a genuine European legal culture and fostering valuable synergies among legal professionals from different Member States will contribute to strengthening the area of freedom, security and justice in the EU.

Who should attend?

Trainee lawyer or, in jurisdictions in which initial training does not include a period of legal practice, newly qualified lawyers.

You will learn how to...

- Identify and deal with European issues in legal practice
- Develop skills necessary to successfully work with colleagues from other Member States
- Defend the rules of law through a moot Court on the promotion of European perspectives and values
- Develop the critical thinking and communication skill in negotiation

Virtual Platform

The competition will be hosted on the virtual reality platform VirBELA. You will be able to interact immediately and directly with the jury, the members of your team, and other participants.



Times indicated are CET
(Central European Time)

What participants said about former Contest

"I strongly recommend to young lawyers and trainee lawyers across Europe to enrol in the next Young Lawyers Contest. It is a great opportunity to meet and work with colleagues from different cultures and backgrounds."

Vincent Berthier-De Bortoli
Member of 2018 winning team

18:00 **Get together**
Each candidate is offered the opportunity to introduce in one or two minutes (max) her/his favourite drink or food speciality of her/his area or country of origin

19:00 End of the first day

Friday, 5 February 2021

08:30 Access to VirBELA

CONFERENCE HALL

Stage: Florence Hartmann-Vareilles and Jury

Team 1/table A

Team 2/table B

Team 3/table C

Team 4/table D

Team 5/table E

Team 6/table F

Team 7/table G

Team 8/table H

Team 9/table I

Team 10/table J

Team 11/table K

Team 12/table L

08:45 **Announcement of the two winning teams for the final round**

I. THIRD ROUND: MOOT COURT

CONFERENCE HALL

9:00 **Teams Briefing before pleading**
The two winning Teams prepare their pleading- The other Teams prepare one or two questions for the two winning teams.

10:00 **Oral Pleading by First Team**
The two winning teams are invited to stand on the stage. The jury sits on the chairs of the podium

10:30 **Oral Pleading by Second Team**

11:00 **Questions by Jury and by the other Teams**

11:30 **Response by Second Team**

11:45 **Response by First Team**

12:00 **Wrap up session with the Jury: what went right and wrong?**

CONFERENCE HALL OR LARGE BREAK OUT ROOM

12:15 Break/ Jury deliberation

CONFERENCE HALL

13:00 **Announcement of winning Team and prize award**
Teams sit on their tables in the conference hall: Jury and two winning teams are invited to join the stage. Jury announces the winning team and award prices.

14:00 End of the Contest

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