



# YOUNG EUROPEAN LAWYERS CONTEST 2023

Semi-Final, Vilnius, 8-9 June 2023



#### **Jurors**

#### Iris Kieft

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#### Aim of the contest

The contest will bring together young and newly-qualified lawyers to spotlight the importance of European law for their future legal practice.

### **Event number**

223DT08

### Organiser

ERA (Florence Hartmann-Vareilles) in cooperation with Lithuanian Bar Association





## Young European Lawyers Contest 2023: Semi-final, Vilnius

## Thursday, 8 June 2023

19:30 Welcome dinner at restaurant *Grey*, Pilies St. 2, Vilnius

## Friday, 9 June 2023

07:45 Bus departure to the University

08:30 Welcome coffee and registration of participants

08:45 **Opening and introduction to the rules of the contest**Florence Hartmann-Vareilles, Head of Business Law Section, ERA
Paulius Griciūnas, President, Lithuanian Bar Association

#### **GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER**

#### 09:00 Introducing yourself

Team 1

Team 4

Team 9

Team 12

#### **ORAL DEFENCE OF THE WRITTEN REPORT**

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09:40 Questions from Jury to Team 1

09:50 Oral defence by Team 4

10:10 Questions from Jury to Team 4

10:20 Oral defence by Team 9

10:40 Questions from Jury to Team 9

10:50 Oral defence by Team 12

11:10 Questions from Jury to Team 12

11:20 Coffee break

11:45 Teams gathering to prepare answers

12:00 Answers from Team 1

12:10 Answers from Team 4

12:20 Answers from Team 9

12:30 Answers from Team 12

12:50 Jury deliberation

13:15 Lunch

14:15 Wrap-up session with Jury and Teams: what went right and wrong? Jury comments on Teams' presentations with tips and tricks

14:45 Announcement of the two winning teams

15:00 End of the semi-final

For programme updates: www.younglawyerscontest.eu Programme may be subject to amendment.

### **Participation**

The contest is open to trainee lawyers and newly qualified lawyers (in their first year after qualification) in EU Member States.

#### Language

Participants should have a working knowledge of English.

#### Venue

Vilnius University, Faculty of law Saulėtekio al. 9, VIlnius

#### Your contact persons



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#### **Partners**

#### **France**

Barreau de Paris / Paris Bar



Izba Adwokacka w Warszawie / Warsaw Bar Association



#### Slovakia

Slovenská Advokátska Komora / Slovak Bar Association



#### Spain

Ilustre Colegio de la Abogacía de Barcelona (ICAB) / Barcelona Bar Association (ICAB)

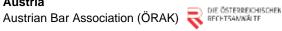


#### Supporting Institutions

Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE)



#### Austria



#### **Belgium**

Dutch Language Section of the Brussels Bar Balle BRUSSEL

#### Croatia

Croatian Bar Association



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#### Cyprus

Cyprus Bar Association



#### **Estonia**

Estonian Bar Association



#### **France**

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Regional Lawyers' Schools of the Grand Est (ERAGE)

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Deutscher Anwaltverein (DAV)



Thessaloniki Bar Association



#### Ireland

The Bar of Ireland



Italian Bar Association (CNF)



Doutscher Anwalt Verein

#### Latvia

Latvian Bar Association



#### Lithuania

Lithuanian Bar Association



### Luxemburg

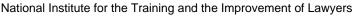
Luxembourg Young Bar Association



Polish National Bar of Attorneys-at-Law (KIRP)



National Association of the Romanian Bars (UNBR)







#### **Format**

The semi-final in Vilnius will consist of the defence by the teams of the written report that they have prepared ahead of the faceto-face semi-final.

The semi-final will be organised according to the following format:

- The oral defence will be organised in plenary
- Each team has 5 minutes to introduce itself
- Each team is given 20 minutes in order to present its written report
- Jury will ask questions to each team
- Teams have 15 minutes to prepare their answers
- Each Team is given 10 minutes to answer the questions
- Jury comments on each team presentation
- Jury announces the two winning teams invited to take part in final
- The best two teams from each semifinal will take part in a three-day final held at ERA's premises in Trier and at the General Court of the European Union in Luxembourg on 6-8 November 2023.
- Teams not participating in the final will be offered the opportunity to participate online in the training on "how to litigate before the Court of Justice" on 6 November 2023

For further information:

www.younglawyerscontest.eu

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## **Conditions of participation**

#### **Travel and Accommodation Expenses**

- 1. Participants will receive a fixed contribution towards their travel and accommodation expenses, and are asked to book their own travel and accommodation. The condition for payment of this contribution is to sign all attendance sheets at the event. No supporting documents are needed. The amount of the contribution will be determined by the EU unit cost calculation guidelines, which are based on the distance from the participant's place of work to the seminar location and will not take account of the participant's actual travel and accommodation costs.
- 2. Travel costs from outside Lithuania: participants can calculate the contribution to which they will be entitled on the European Commission website (https://era-comm.eu/go/calculator). The distance should be calculated from their place of work to the seminar location.

For those travelling within Lithuania, the contribution for travel is fixed at €20 (for a distance between 50km and 400km). Please note that no contribution will be paid for travel under 50km. For more information, please consult p.10 on https://era-comm.eu/go/unit-cost-decision-travel

Accommodation costs: international participants and national participants travelling more than 50km one-way will receive a fixed contribution of €94 for up to one night accommodation. For more information, please consult p.13 on https://era-comm.eu/go/unit-cost-decision-travel

- 3. These rules do not apply to representatives of EU Institutions and Agencies who are required to cover their own travel and accommodation.
- 4. Successful applicants will be sent the relevant claim form and information on how to obtain payment of the contribution to their expenses. Please note that no payment is possible if the registered participant cancels their participation for any reason.

#### **Participation**

- 5. Participation at the whole contest is required and participants' presence will be recorded.
- A list of participants including each participant's address will be made available to all participants unless ERA receives written objection from the participant no later than one week prior to the beginning of the event.
- The participant will be asked to give permission for their address and other relevant information to be stored in ERA's database in order to provide information about future ERA events, publications and/or other developments in the participant's area of interest.
- 8. A certificate of attendance will be distributed at the end of the conference.

#### Venue

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