



# Statute

## Hugo Sinzheimer Moot Court Competition

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### 1. Institutional embedding and name

The Hugo Sinzheimer Moot Court Competition (HS MCC) is institutionally affiliated with the universities of the members of the Organising Committee, currently Aarhus University, Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary, Leiden University, Luxembourg University, Tbilisi State University and Warsaw University.

### 2. Organisational structure of the moot court competition

The organisational structure of the HS MCC holds three bodies: Organising Committee; Case Committee and Advisory Board.

#### A. Organising Committee

1. The Organising Committee is responsible for the organisation of the Moot Court Competition (MCC) as such.
2. The chair of this Organising Committee is annually elected among the members of the Organising Committee.
3. The members of the Organising Committee are:  
Antonio Garcia-Muñoz Alhambra, Luxembourg University  
Piotr Grzebyk, Warsaw University  
Beryl ter Haar, University of Groningen  
Attila Kun, Károli Gáspár University of the Reformed Church in Hungary  
Natalie Videbæk Munkholm, Aarhus University  
Zakaria Shvelidze, Tbilisi State University.
4. The Organising Committee will be supported by a secretary who is affiliated with one of the

universities of the members of the Organising Committee.

5. The tasks of the Organising Committee include:
  - i. Finance
  - ii. Location
  - iii. Documents
  - iv. Website/publicity
  - v. Registration
  - vi. Supervision and support for the two other bodies
  - vii. Drawing and updating the 'Rules of the game'
  - viii. Proposing topics for the case of the Moot Court to the Advisory Board and coordination of the selection of the topic (see Rules of the Game)
  - ix. Nomination of the academic legal expert of the Event Host Country
  - x. Nomination of the academic legal expert of the Case Committee and approval of the other members of the Case Committee proposed by the academic legal expert
  - xi. Nomination and inauguration of the members of the Advisory Board
  - xii. Decisions on future developments (e.g. extension of participants; type of cases; etc.

## **B. Case Committee**

1. The Case Committee is responsible for the drawing of the case for the MCC.
2. The Case Committee is comprised by experts from the 'Law-Host Country' (see Rules of the Game) and should include:
  - Academic legal expert;
  - Judge
  - Lawyer/practitioner<sup>1</sup>
3. The Case Committee elects the Chair among its members.
4. The tasks of the Case Committee are:
  - i. Drawing of the case upon proposition of the Organising Committee and approval of the Advisory Board;
  - ii. Providing all the necessary background documents (legislation; case law; other relevant documents);
  - iii. Brief introduction in the relevant national legislation as part of the case materials (e.g. video- lecture/slide cast lecture/written introduction);
  - iv. Answer questions for clarification to the participating teams;
  - v. Grade the written statements of the participating teams and student-judges;
  - vi. Being members of the Jury (see Rules of the Game) of the MCC.

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<sup>1</sup> In principle this excludes representatives of social partners and/or the government

### **C. Advisory Board**

1. The role of the Advisory Board is to ensure the professionalism and contribute to the promotion and awareness of the HS MCC.
2. Members of the Advisory Board are highly esteemed experts from academia and practice. They are member on personal title. Each member is appointed for a period of five years which can be prolonged for periods of five years upon agreement between the individual advisory board member and the organizing committee. These members are:
  - Takashi Araki
  - Gerrard Boot
  - Guy Davidov
  - Teun Jaspers
  - Claire Kilpatrick
  - Tonia Novitz
  - Lukasz Pisarczyk
  - Mia Rönmar
  - Isabelle Schömann
  - Jean-Michel Servais
  - Manfred Weiss
3. The Advisory Board will be complemented by a member of the Organising Committee who will act as a procedural chair (based on rotation). The Advisory Board is supported by the secretary of the Organising Committee.
4. The tasks of the Advisory Board include:
  - i. Approval of the final choice of the topic for the case as proposed by the Organising Committee;
  - ii. Review and approval of the case drafted by the Case Committee;
  - iii. Safeguard the quality of the moot court competition in general;
  - iv. Act, by invitation of the Organising Committee, as a Jury-Judge in the MCC;
  - v. Being proactive and supportive in applications for funding and promotion of the HS MCC;
  - vi. Dispute settlement arising on whatever issue involved with the HS MCC.

### **3. Finance**

The Organising Committee, in collaboration with the Advisory Board, will strive to provide full financial support for the HS MCC, including organisational, travel and accommodation costs. Till this is realised, the principles under A and B apply.

#### **A. Costs Event Host Country**

The HS MCC Event Host Country (see Rules of the Game) will be responsible for the costs involved with the event. These costs include, among others depending on the possibilities of the Event Host Country:

- i. Costs for tea/coffee; two lunches and one dinner for Jury-Judges and coaches of the teams;
- ii. Contribution to the dinner for all participants and the Jury-Judges;
- iii. Travel and accommodation expenses for the Jury-Judges;
- iv. Costs for the location where the Moot Court takes place;
- v. Award prizes.

## B. Costs Participating teams and coaches

The participating teams and coaches pay for their own travel and accommodation costs. They are strongly advised to find sponsors for their participation, for instance by the university, law firms, governments, NGOs, social partners, etc..

## 4. Participating teams

1. Participation in the HS MCC is by invitation of the Organising Committee.
2. The maximum number of participating teams is thirteen.
3. There is a pool of seventeen countries that will be invited for participation. Teams are asked to confirm their participation as early as possible. The order of acceptance is by the rule of first come, first serve. Teams that are not in the selection will be put on a reserve list.
4. Currently, the pool of countries includes

	Country	Contact Person
1	Austria	Elisabeth Brameshuber
2	Belgium	Alexander Maes Quentin Detienne
3	Czech Republic	Kristina Koldinská
4	Denmark	Natalie Videbæk Munkholm
5	Finland	Jari Murto
6	France	Camille Percher Laure Camaji
7	Georgia	Zakaria Shvelidze
8	Germany	Bernd Waas
9	Greece	Ioannis Skandalis
10	Hungary	Attila Kun
11	Italy	Edoardo Ales
12	Lithuania	Daiva Petrylaite
13	Luxembourg	Luca Ratti
14	Poland	Piotr Grzebyk
15	Portugal	Maria Rosário Palma Ramalho
16	Slovenia	Luka Tičar
17	Sweden	Erik Sinander
18	The Netherlands	Gerdien Oldenhuis



## **5. Website and promotion**

1. General information about the HS MCC will be provided via the HS MCC website.
  
2. Promotion and awareness of the HS MCC will be sought after through:
  - social media;
  - leaflet;
  - promotional speeches at conferences, such as LLRN, ILERA, ISL&SSL, etc.