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Dear Presidents,

The FBE is starting the first edition of its International Oratory Competition, for lawyers of less than 40 years of age. This year's competition follows two very successful International Contract Competitions which gathered respectively 10 and 8 teams from the Member Bars of the FBE in Warsaw.

The competition will contribute to pursue the objectives of the FBE by promoting the mobility of lawyers, ensuring the level of professional quality and technical competence of lawyers, strengthen relations between Member Bars and between lawyers from different countries.

The event will be run by the FBE Legal Education Commission and hosted by the Madrid Bar Association, as President of the Commission. It will take place will on 6th ? 7th October 2017.

This year's topic is: ?Human Rights violation case currently happening in Europe ?.

The competition is a great opportunity for lawyers to practice oratory skills, learn to present a case to an international audience of lawyers, develop oral English abilities, and it provides a valuable networking occasion for lawyers from different jurisdictions.

We would like to invite Member Bars of the FBE to send their participants to Madrid to join this competition. The language of the contest is English.

Declaration of participation may be submitted by the Member Bars by e-mail on the attached application form by the 28th of September 2017.

Please find attached to this letter the information pack with all the details regarding the FBE International Oratory Competition.

We warmly invite the Member Bars to encourage lawyers to take part in this event and support them. We hope that all participants will find the contest very attractive and beneficial.

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THE FBE INTERNATIONAL ORATORY COMPETITION 2017

WHERE?

In Madrid, Spain.

WHEN?

6 - 7 October 2017

WHO?

Lawyers under 40 years of age

WHY?

The Competition is a great opportunity to:

- practice and improve oratory skills
- learn to present a case to an international audience of lawyers
- develop legal English and general oral English skills
- meet with lawyers from jurisdiction across Europe
- see Madrid

THE ORGANIZATION

The Competition is organized by the Legal Education Commission of the European Bars Federation (FBE) and will be hosted by the Madrid Bar.

WHAT YOU WILL DO

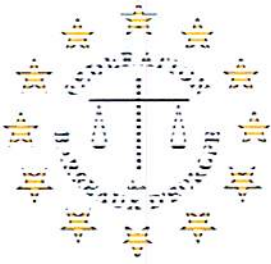
Prepare a 10 minutes speech on: "A Human Rights violation case currently happening in Europe" to be presented to an International Jury in Madrid with other participants from different country.

If selected amongst the four best contestants, defend a position against an opponent on another topic the following day.

HOW TO APPLY

Applications should be approved by their Bar Association. Please contact your Bar and send your application to the relevant person.





The FBE International Oratory Competition



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1. General overview of the Competition

The FBE International Oratory Competition (the Competition) is an educational event in which lawyers from different jurisdictions meet each other to participate in a public speaking contest.

The Competition is an opportunity to practice oratory skills, learn to present a case to an international audience of lawyers and develop oral English abilities, as well as providing a valuable networking occasion for lawyers from different jurisdictions.

The Competition consists of two rounds:

1. Round 1 (1st day of the Competition) with all the participants
2. Round 2 (2nd day of the Competition) with the finalists of Round 1

The basis for the Competition is the presentation of a speech on the following topic: “**A Human Rights violation case currently happening in Europe**” in front of a Jury and a public audience. The best contestants participate to the second round, which is focused on their abilities to defend and convince.

2. The Hosting Bar

The Competition is going to be hosted by Madrid Bar (the Hosting Bar).

3. Application and participation

The Competition is addressed to lawyers under 40 years of age from the FBE Members Bars.

Each FBE Member Bar may send up to two participants.

Candidates' applications should be approved by their Bar Associations.

Applications for the Competition are to be filed on the official form and send by the Bar by email to the Hosting Bar by the 28th of September to the International Relations Department of the Madrid Bar Association, e-mail address: internacional@icam.es.

First applying candidates will take part in the contest; however the Hosting Bar may need to make a selection to provide international character of the Competition.

4. Language of the Competition

English is the only language of the Competition.

5. Organization of the Competition

The Competition lasts 2 days.

The Competition will take place in front of a public audience.

The participants will have to wear a professional gown to present their speech. The Madrid Bar will provide gowns for the participants who did not bring their own.

The Hosting Bar reserves the right to cancel the competition if the number of participants is insufficient.

The course of the Competition:

a) The Speech

Round 1

TOPIC: "A Human Rights violation case currently happening in Europe"

The topic is the same for all the participants.

The Speech must be an original work, by one speaker, not used in previous competition and based on a real case.

The participants are free to organize their Speech as they wish, there is no imposed format.

The Speech must not exceed 10 minutes. Participants going over the allotted time will be penalized.

Round 2

Detailed instructions will be given with the topic on Day 2.

b) Competition days

1st Day: Round 1

All participants will present their speech before the Jury.

The order of presentations will be drawn randomly before the Competition.

The Jury will have 2-3 minutes to ask questions to the participants.

The Jury will gather to deliberate after all the participants have presented their speech. They will choose the 4 best contestants who will participate to Round 2.

2nd Day: Round 2

The 4 best participants of Round 1 will be given a new topic. Two of them would have to defend the positive side and the two other the negative side.

They will have three hours to prepare a speech of 5 to 10 minutes.

They will present their speech by pairs (for and against), each participant being given 2 minutes to challenge to the arguments of their opponent.

The Jury will then gather to deliberate and announce the winner of the Competition.

c) Materials admitted during the Competition

During the speech

The participants are allowed to use their notes during their speech.

During the preparation of the speech for Round 2

Only competing participants work on the topic. No external contacts.

Participants may use only the resources and equipment that they brought with them, i.e. books, lawyers programs available on their laptop (wi-fi connection will be provided by the Hosting Bar).

d) The Jury

The panel of judges consists of up to 5 judges, and is chaired by a Representative of the Hosting Bar.

The Hosting Bar will provide an international panel of judges.

For Round 2, the participants from Round 1 who are not participating as contestants will also be part of the Jury and will have one joint vote in the deliberation.

Judges assess participants taking into account the content, the organization and the delivery of the Speech.

The Jury reserves the right to not select a winner if they consider the speeches presented do not meet the quality requirements that can be expected in a Competition of this type.

The Jury's decision is final. Participation to the competition implies full acceptance of the rules of the Competition and of the Jury and Organization decisions.

e) The prize

The winner will receive the Hosting Bar Award and will be invited to attend the FBE Intermediate Congress in London on 9th-11th of November to receive the FBE Presidency Award.

f) Recording and transmission of the Competition

The participants agree to accept that pictures and videos be made during the Competition. This material may be used by the Organization, the press or social media for communication and promotion purposes.

6. The costs

a) The Hosting Bar covers costs of:

- Infrastructures for the Competition,
- office rooms meeting technical requirements,
- catering during the Competition, including lunch on both days of the Competition, dinner on Friday and networking cocktail on Saturday.
- press service,
- the Hosting Bar Award;

b) Participating Bar covers:

- travel of the participant(s)
- accommodation of the participant(s)

7. The Contact:

In case of any questions concerning the Competition do not hesitate to contact:

International Relations Department
Madrid Bar Association
E-mail: internacional@icam.es
Phone: + 34 914 315 553 or + 34 91 788 93 80 (ext. 1853)



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Application Form (.doc format)

The Bar	
Participating Bar	
Contact Person in the Bar	
Phone (international format)	
E-mail	
The Participant	
Participant	
Phone	
E-mail	
Additional Notes	

Candidates' applications should be approved by the Bar Association. Please contact your Bar and send your application form to a relevant person.

The Bar will send the application to the International Relations Department of the Madrid Bar Association, e-mail: internacional@icam.es, before the 28th of September 2017.