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I. A WORD OF WELCOME FROM THE ELMC SOCIETY

On behalf of the European Law Moot Court Society, I would like to welcome you to the University of Ljubljana Regional Final of the 2018-2019 European Law Moot Court!

I can assure you that the ELMC Society takes great pride into having this Regional Final hosted at the oldest, with roots back in 1810, and largest university in Slovenia with over 40,000 enrolled undergraduate and graduate students.

To the competing teams, I offer my warmest congratulations on being selected amongst the best teams that submitted written pleadings in this year's Competition. The best Team & best Advocate General at this Regional Final will have the honour to represent their University before the Court of Justice of the European Union and plead in front of the real EU Judges in April 2019.

However, you should all realize that to a large degree, the purpose of the European Law Moot Court - which is to promote studies in European Union Law - has already been achieved. Think back for a moment over the uncountable hours that you've spent preparing your written and oral pleadings. I assure you that the depth of knowledge acquired through that preparation approaches that of any practicing lawyer in Europe. The experience you have acquired in preparing our Case, to be pleaded before the Moot Court, will help you tremendously in the future, when you will be working as a lawyer, judge, counsel, State or Institution Agent.

At this point, I would also like to take the opportunity to thank the members of Ljubljana Regional Team and the Master Filip for their efforts in organizing what I am sure will be an exceptional international event.

Last but not least, I wish to thank our Judges for accepting to sit on the panel, offering to all of us four entire days of their busy schedules. Without their contribution this event would not be possible.

Good luck, and remember to Moot, Meet & Compete!

Georges VALLINDAS
European Law Moot Court Society, President

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II. A WORD OF WELCOME FROM THE REGIONAL TEAM LJUBLJANA

We are pleased that University of Ljubljana is hosting the first of the four Regional Finals in European Law Moot Court 2018-2019. Our organizing team feels even more privileged to have been entrusted with the organisation of this year's Regional Final in light of honouring the *30th anniversary of the ELMC* alongside celebrating the *100th anniversary of University of Ljubljana* in 2019. This will be the second ELMC event organised under the auspices of our law faculty, which has already hosted a Regional Final back in 2006 with our Prof. Ana Vlahek acting as the Master of the Moot.

Our ELMC teams have always been very successful in their participation at the ELMC, having always qualified for the oral phase of the competition. They qualified three times to the All-European Final in Luxembourg where they won twice: in the AG category in 2004 (Katja Plauštajner) under the mentorship of Prof. Ana Vlahek, and in the team category in 2016 (Lara Matan, Urša Ušeničnik, Mirjam Homar) under the mentorship of Prof. Ana Vlahek, Sandra Koren, Žiga Urankar and Kaja Batagelj. They also scored 2nd in the AG category (Vesna Božič Štajnpihler) in 2006 under the mentorship of Prof. Ana Vlahek, Ana Mušič and Prof. Klemen Podobnik.

We are all very aware of the importance of particular extracurricular activity that the ELMC and other moot courts represent, and we will do our best to ensure an unforgettable experience to all competitors at our RF!

We wish to thank the Judges, the Organising Team and the ELMC Society, our enthusiastic volunteer students and our kind donators and other contributors without whose support the organization of the RF would not have been possible.



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Assist. Filip DOUGAN
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III. PARTNERS OF ELMC 2018-2019 - RF LJUBLJANA

We wish to thank everyone who has helped us in organising our regional final, especially the ELMC global and local donators without whom this event would not have been possible.

We are grateful for the contributions and assistance received from the Municipality of Ljubljana, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and University of Ljubljana that will host various events of the Regional final. We are particularly thankful to the management and administration of the Faculty of Law as well as the faculty Student Council who have supported our project from the very beginning.

Moot court and other project teams of our faculty have always received financial support from the faculty Management Board, faculty Student Council, public funds and private partners, mostly law offices, without which their participation in moot courts would not have been possible. We are extremely grateful that the ELMC 2018/19 RF Ljubljana project has also received generous support from the leading Slovenian law offices that have in the last decades become the promoters of numerous moot court and other teams of students of Faculty of Law in Ljubljana enabling them to participate in international competitions and projects and to broaden their legal knowledge and skills.

Special thanks go to to our GOLDEN PARTNER Law firm Kavčič, Bračun & Partners, and our SILVER PARTNER Law firm Rojs, Peljhan, Prelesnik & Partners who have helped us importantly with the organisation of our Regional final by giving their significant financial support. Law firms Čeferin, Karanović & Partners, Jadek & Pensa and Andrić have also made donations for the organization of the Regional Final.

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Founded in 2009, law firm Kavčič, Bračun & Partners o.p. d.o.o. has developed a focused commercial law practice. Recognized for its understanding of client's business interests, responsiveness and professional approach, their legal team assists corporate clients with all facets of their business and operations.

Law firm Kavčič, Bračun & Partners, o.p., d.o.o. is an established Slovenian law firm, offering a complete range of legal services in selected areas of civil and commercial law. With a professional and pragmatic approach to business issues, they provide legal solutions tailored to a variety of client needs. Recognized for its understanding of clients' business operations, their team of lawyers is committed to delivering comprehensive and efficient legal advice and solving most complex legal situations.

Through their network of collaborating law firms, they also offer legal assistance to clients engaged in operations outside Slovenia. Law firm Kavčič, Bračun & Partners, o.p., d.o.o. is also one of the founding members of Adrialia business law firm alliance, a network of independent premium law firms based in 9 jurisdictions in the Balkan region (Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Kosovo, Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia, Slovenia).

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Law firm Rojs, Peljhan, Prelesnik & Partners

The law firm Rojs, Peljhan, Prelesnik & partners was established in 1989 by three partners, with a vision to ensure clients from a variety of corporate sectors unique and tailor-made legal solutions, based upon common values, a wealth of knowledge, long-term experience and the wishes of our clients. Since its establishment, with the firm consisting of 40+ lawyers, 27 of which are fully qualified bar members, the law firm has become one of the largest and leading corporate and law firms in Slovenia, providing a full range of legal services to a wide spectrum of clients – from start-up businesses to multinational corporations and governments.

Throughout our years of practice, we have had the privilege to work on a variety of cases and transactions that regularly broke ground in the Slovenian legal space, and it is with these years of experience and focus primarily on corporate, banking and finance matters, that has given us the capacity to provide assistance which is on par with the most renowned global law firms. Whatever the problem, matter, issues or legal question, we stand fast by our motto: Your Business Our Solutions.

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IV. PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME / SCHEDULE FOR THE TEAMS

PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 31 January 2019		
8:00 – 18:00	Arrival of Competitors, Coaches and teams' Guests	City Hotel <i>Dalmatinova ulica 15</i>
17:00 – 18:00	Registration of Teams Tour of the Courtrooms	Entrance Hall, Faculty of Law <i>Poljanski nasip 2</i>
18:30 – 19:30	Welcome Reception for the competitors, Teams' Guests, Judges	City Hall, Municipality of Ljubljana <i>Mestni trg 1</i>
FRIDAY, 1 February 2019*		
	*amended version as of 18 January 2019	
8:00	Arrival at Courtrooms	Faculty of Law
8:00 – 8:30	Briefing of the Judges	
8:30 – 9:30	First Session Hearings BLACKLISTED – CLOSED FOR AUDIENCE!	Faculty of Law Courtroom 1 Courtroom 2 (basement under the entrance hall)
9:30 – 9:45	Coffee Break	Basement
9:45 – 10:45	Second Session Hearing BLACKLISTED – CLOSED FOR AUDIENCE!	Courtroom 1 Courtroom 2
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee Break	Basement
11:00 – 12:00	Third Session Hearing BLACKLISTED – CLOSED FOR AUDIENCE!	Courtroom 1 Courtroom 2
12:00 – 13:45	Lunch Break	
13:45 – 14:45	Fourth Session Hearings	Courtroom 1 Courtroom 2
14:45 – 15:00	Coffee Break	Basement
15:00 – 16:00	Fifth Session Hearings	Courtroom 1 Courtroom 2
16:00 – 16:15	Coffee Break	Basement
16:15 – 17:15	Sixth Session Hearing	Courtroom 1 Courtroom 2
17.15 – 18.00	Deliberations and Calculation of the Results	
18.00	Announcement of the Results	Golden Hall, Faculty of Law (1 st floor of the lecture hall building)
20:00	Entertainment for Participants	TBA

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SATURDAY, 2 February 2019		
9:15	Arrival at Courtrooms	Faculty of Law
9:30 – 10:45	First and Second Semi-Finals	Courtroom 1 Courtroom 2
10:45 – 11:00	Coffee Break	Basement
11:00 – 12:15	Third and Fourth Semi-Finals	Courtroom 1 Courtroom 2
12:15 – 13:00	Deliberations	
13:00 – 13:30	Announcement of Finalists	Golden Hall, Faculty of Law
13:30 – 15:00	Lunch Break	
15:00 – 17:00	Final	Conference Hall, University of Ljubljana <i>Kongresni trg 12</i>
17:00 – 17:30	Deliberations	
17:30 – 18:30	Winner Ceremony	Conference Hall, University of Ljubljana
20:00 – ...	Farewell Dinner and Party for Participants	Nebotičnik <i>Štefanova ulica 1</i>
SUNDAY, 3 February 2019		
... – 11:00	Departure; optional: Local Tours	

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V. PLEADING SCHEDULE - FRIDAY

Team letters will be drawn on Thursday evening.

	Courtroom I Schuman			Courtroom II Adenauer			Black list*
role	APP	DEF	AG/CA	APP	DEF	AG/CA	
8:30	A	B	C	D	E	F	X
9:45	G	H	I	K	L	M	X
11:00	L	I	K	H	M	G	X
13:45	E	C	D	B	F	A	
15:00	M	D	H	C	G	E	
16:15	F	K	B	I	A	L	

* Only the persons pleading, and the Legal Counsels, coaches and guests of their teams can enter the courtroom.

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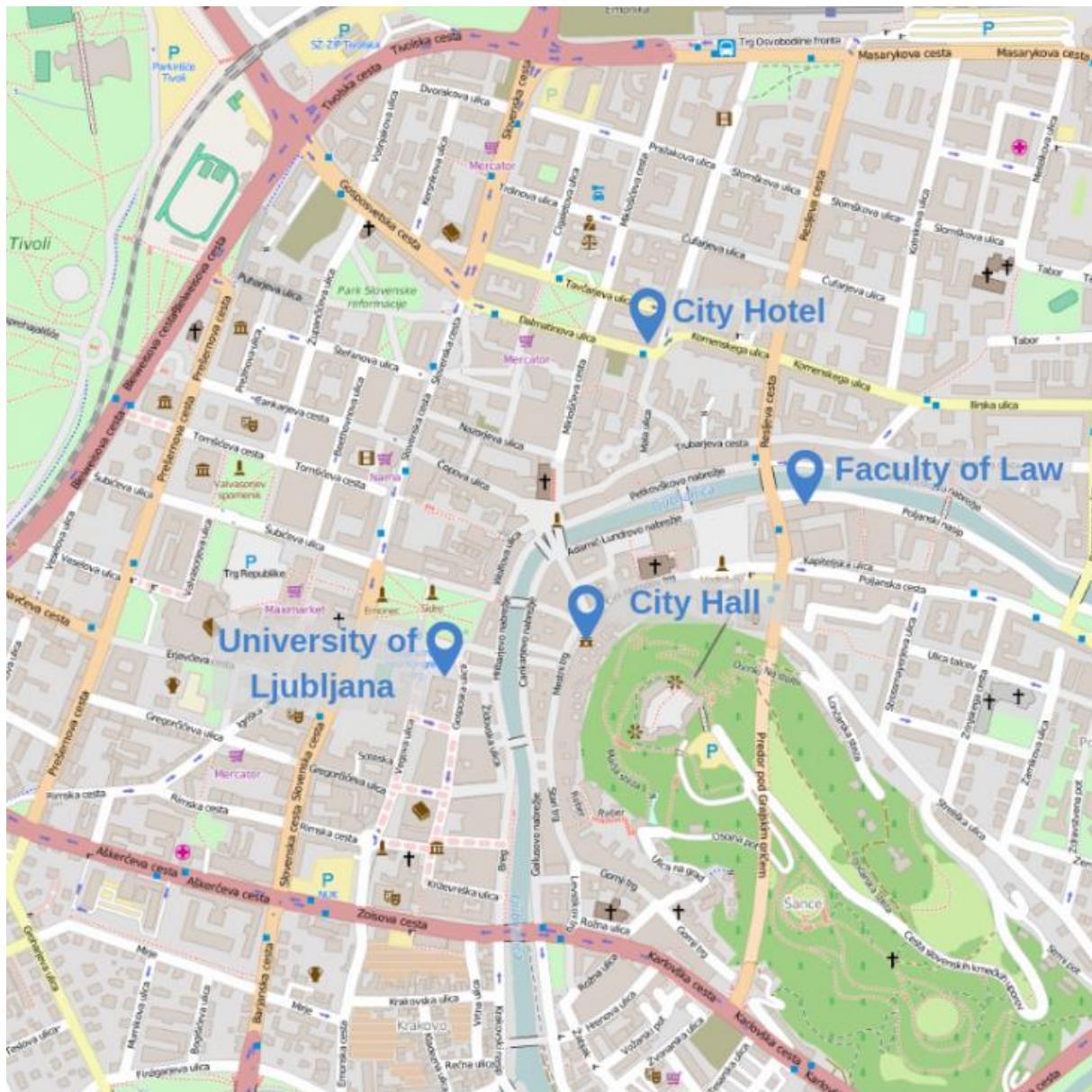
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VI. CITY MAP WITH ALL THE RELEVANT LOCATIONS FOR TEAMS



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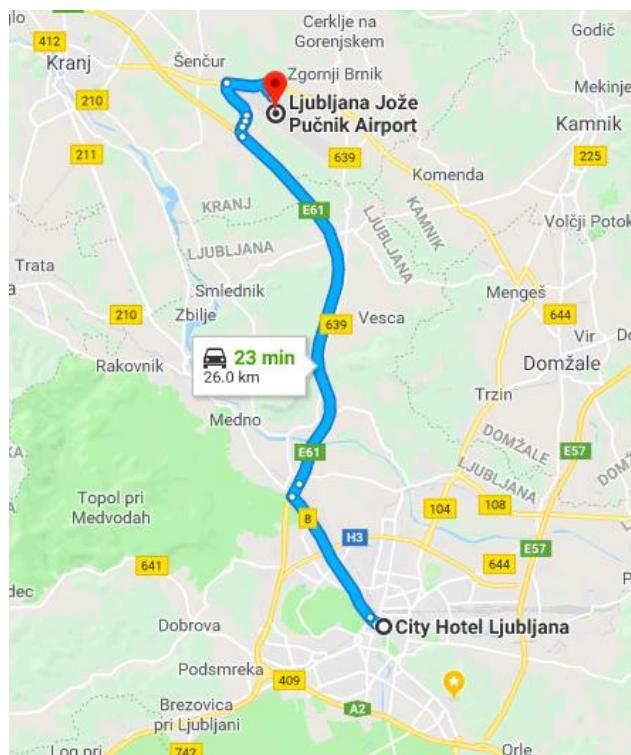
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VII. HOW TO GET FROM BRNIK AIRPORT TO THE CITY CENTRE



a) By taxi

Ljubljana possesses a vast number of Taxi services to get you from airport to town or vice-versa. Expect to pay a minimum of €20 for this journey, which should last around 30 minutes. A taxi rank stands outside the airport terminal.

b) By bus or shuttle

The cheapest option, however, is to travel by bus. The journey costs €4.10 per person and takes around an hour. The *AlpeTour* service, for example, leaves up to 16 times per day, between the hours of 05:00 and 20:00.

Those wishing a little more comfort in their bus ride have a plethora of Shuttle options to choose from, such as *GoOpti* (rates starting at €9) and *Na Letališče* (starting from €8).

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VIII. THE JUDGES



Dieter Kraus

Dieter Kraus works as a référendaire at the Court of Justice of the European Union. He was born in 1962 in Munich and studied law in Munich, Geneva, Tübingen and Edinburgh (LL.M. 1988). In Tübingen he also took his Ph.D. (1991). From 1998 to 2003 he served as legal secretary to Judge David Edward at the European Court of Justice. Thereafter he joined the Chambers of President Skouris, where three years later he became head of cabinet, a position he held until 2015. After having assisted the Chamber dealing with urgent preliminary reference cases for a year, he joined the Hungarian cabinet in 2016. He has taught Constitutional, European and Ecclesiastical law and has published books and articles in these areas.

Dieter Kraus has been a member of the bench at various Regional Finals of the ELMC since 2006. He is a collector of rare books and old maps and has a strong interest in IT developments.

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Mojca Ilešič

Mojca Ilešič Bernik graduated from Faculty of Law of University of Ljubljana in 2012, finished a Masters program (LL.M) in European private law at the Amsterdam Law School, University of Amsterdam in 2013 and passed State bar exam in 2016. She is currently working at the Slovenian Government Office for Legislation. During and after her studies she participated in several moot court competitions as a member and/or as a coach (Concours Européen des Droits de l'Homme René Cassin, Central and East European Moot Court and European Law Moot Court).



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Emma Jean Hinchy

Emma-Jean Hinchy [B.C.L. (Law & French); LL.M (Bruges); Solicitor (Law Society of Ireland)] is an Irish-qualified lawyer working at the Court of Justice of the European Union, Luxembourg. She is a competition law specialist who works for the unit of the Directorate of Research and Documentation, which treats competition law, state aid, commercial policy, environmental law, and staff cases. In particular, she is involved in early review of requests for a preliminary ruling made to the Court in order to identify any problems relating to the admissibility of the reference, and to assess, where necessary, the need to deal with a case under the urgent preliminary ruling procedure. Between 2008 and 2016, she was employed as *référendaire* (Legal Secretary) in the chambers of Judge O'Higgins and, subsequently, Judge Collins at the General Court of the European Union. She worked on cases in all subject matters brought before that jurisdiction. Prior to joining the General Court, she was an Associate with Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, Brussels (2006-2008) practising competition law across a range of industries. She trained as a solicitor with the corporate law firm A&L Goodbody Solicitors, Dublin (2003-2006) and was admitted to the Role of Solicitors, Ireland in 2006. She is a graduate of the National University of Ireland (Cork) and the *Collège d'Europe*, Bruges. She is a former moot court participant and survivor.

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Robert Lane

Robert Lane is a senior lecturer at the University of Edinburgh School of Law, specifically in EU competition law and commercial law. His interests are in all areas of EU law, but principally the constitutional, institutional and procedural law of the EU, the science and art of the Court of Justice, the law of the internal market, and competition law at both EU and national level. He has worked and taught in the field in Scotland, England, the Netherlands, Sweden and Latvia.



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Katja Plauštajner Metelko

Katja Plauštajner Metelko is Attorney at Law in law office Plaustajner. She holds an LLM degree from Harvard University and has since worked both in legal practice areas, as well as in judiciary. She has also served as a référendaire in a judicial cabinet at the Court of Justice of the European Union in Luxembourg.

As a student participating in the ELMC competition herself in 2004, she won the first place in Luxembourg as an Advocate General.

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Klemen Podobnik

Klemen Podobnik is Associate Professor of Civil and Commercial Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, and the Director of the Centre for Commercial Law at the Institute for Comparative Law at Faculty of Law in Ljubljana. He is a visiting professor and researcher at renowned European law faculties and a published author in Slovenia and internationally.

Prof. Podobnik holds a B.A. (1994) and Doctorate in the Science of Law (2002, *cum laude*, thesis titled *Antitrust and the Issues of Democratic « Efficiency »*) from University of Ljubljana and an LL.M. degree from Columbia University Law School (2000).

His research mainly focuses on competition law, intellectual property law, corporate governance, and law and internet. His past appointments include *inter alia* the positions of President of the Council of Experts of the Consumer Protection Office of Slovenia (2005-2011) and Member of the Management Board of Ljubljana Faculty of Law (2011-2018).

Prof. Podobnik has also successfully mentored University of Ljubljana ELMC and CEEMC moot court teams and was judge at the ELMC 2005/06 RF in Ljubljana. He is an avid audiophile.

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René Repasi

René Repasi studied law at the Universities of Heidelberg and Montpellier. During his legal clerkship, he used to work for the European Commission and at the European Court of Justice. He holds a PhD from the University of Heidelberg dealing with the effect of the principle of supremacy on private international law. From 2007 to 2014 he has been employed as Assistant Professor at the University of Heidelberg and senior researcher at the Institute for German and European Corporate and Economic Law. In 2014 he joined the European Research Centre for Economic and Financial Governance (EURO-CEFG) of the Universities of Leiden, Rotterdam and Delft as scientific coordinator. He was furthermore appointed as legal expert for the European Parliament on the banking union and for the Constitutional Affairs Committee of the European Parliament on the future economic governance and on the legal implications of Brexit. He recently worked on the legal feasibility of a European Unemployment Benefits Scheme (EUBS) and supported the Spinelli Group in drafting the chapter on the EMU in the 'Fundamental Law of the European Union'. He published in several English, French and German law journals on legal issues relating to the EU law and European Economic Governance.

René Repasi participated in the ELMC as a student in 2003/2004. From 2007 until 2011 he was coach of the Heidelberg ELMC team. In 2011/2012 and 2016/17 he drafted the ELMC case. In 2011 he switched for the first time sides by becoming judge at Regional Finals.

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Miha Šošić

Dr. Miha Šošić graduated from Faculty of Law, University of Maribor. As a student, he gained professional experience in several law firms in Slovenia and abroad. As a student, he successfully participated in several international moot court competitions.

After graduation, he acted as a court trainee and became an Attorney at Law. He then served as a legal counsel at the Supreme Court of the Republic of Slovenia. Since 2010 he is a lecturer in Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure at the Faculty of Law, University of Maribor.

He is an author of several scientific articles and a co-author of the Commentary on the Slovenian Criminal Law. In 2016 he finished his PhD studies at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, graduating with highest honours *cum laude*.

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Nana Šumrada Slavnič

Nana Šumrada Slavnič is a University of Ljubljana law school graduate; a Harvard Law School graduate in International Financial Law, and a doctor iuris in European direct tax law and tax policy (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven). After obtaining her Masters degree and completing European Law Moot Court Competition as a member of the All final winning team of Harvard Law School in 2005, Nana worked in chambers of judge Marko Ilešič, PhD, at the European Court of Justice, as a fourth referendaire. After having had served at the Court, Nana took the position of Central and Eastern European Manager of the PricewaterhouseCoopers European Direct Tax Group and as Manager in Tax and Legal Services at PwC Slovenia. She also acted as Tax Manager for South and Eastern Europe for IBM before joining Outfit7(Ekipa2) where she is currently VP of Legal Affairs/General Counsel. Nana was nominated as AmCham Young Top Potential of 2012. She is also the Leader of Snowball 2.0. in 2017-2019.

Nana has authored and co-authored numerous articles in EU general and tax laws and has appeared as lecturer in various EU countries. She is fluent in English, French, Spanish, Croatian and Serbian.

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Jorrit Rijpma

Jorrit Rijpma is Associate Professor of European Law at the Europa Institute of Leiden Law School and holds a Jean Monnet Chair on Security and Mobility in Europe (MOSE).

Rijpma studied law at the European Law School in Maastricht and the College of Europe in Bruges. He defended his PhD at the European University Institute in Florence on the regulatory framework for the management of the external borders of the European Union. He conducted part of his research at the European border agency (Frontex) in Warsaw. He was a visiting professor at Koç University in Istanbul and Hastings College of Law in San Francisco.

Rijpma's research focusses on cooperation in Justice and Home Affairs in Europe, the so-called Area of Freedom, Security and Justice. He looks in particular at the link between security and mobility and the institutional and technological developments in this field. He is also one of the Directors of the Faculty's profile area on Interaction between Legal Systems (ILS), responsible for a research project on Maritime Security.

Rijpma is a member of the standing committee of experts on international immigration, refugee and criminal law (Meijers Committee). He has also been deputy judge and acts as external council to a private firm of immigration lawyers.

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Stefaan van den Bogaert

Stefaan Van den Bogaert is professor of European Law and director of the Europa Institute at Leiden University Law School in the Netherlands. He is a member of the editorial committee of the *Common Market Law Review*. He is also visiting professor of European Sports Law at the University of Brussels (VUB) in Belgium.

Van den Bogaert taught the first MOOC on EU law on the Coursera platform which attracted more than 48,000 students globally. His main research interests are EU internal market law, EU competition law, EMU and sports law. He frequently advises European institutions, national authorities as well as private parties on these issues.

Van den Bogaert graduated from the Faculty of Law at the Catholic University of Leuven. He holds an LLM from Cambridge University and obtained a PhD from the European University Institute in Florence with a thesis on the regulation of the mobility of sportsmen in the European Union in the post-*Bosman* era. Van den Bogaert has taken part in the ELMC as a student in 1999, winning the prize for the best written memorial. He has coached student teams for several years, before becoming an ELMC judge in 2007.

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IX. PRESIDENT OF THE ELMC SOCIETY



Georges Vallindas

Georges Vallindas is *Référendaire* at the Court of Justice of the European Union. Following a *Stage* with the President of the Court, he worked from 2008 to 2013 for Judge Soldevila Fragoso at the EU General Court before joining Judge Prof. Rodin at the Court of Justice in September 2013. His published PhD, “The Rationality of EU Merger Control”, has received the “Best PhD in European law Award” from the Aix en Provence Faculty of Law (Aix-Marseille University). After his LLM in EU Law, he earned a French government Teaching and Research Fellowship in EU, Constitutional and Economic Law while successfully coaching for 5 years the Aix en Provence European law Moot Court Team. Since 2009, he joined the ELMC Society Board, before being elected President in April 2013. Next to his work at the EUCJ, *Yoryho* -Georges in Greek- is still an active EU law academic, giving lectures, writing papers and participating to international conferences. His second book, *Droit européen des concentrations*, was published by Bruylant (Brussels) in 2017.

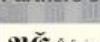
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X. ABOUT US / ORGANISING TEAM OF ELMC 2018/19 RF LJUBLJANA

Master of the moot:



Filip Dougan

Filip Dougan is a teaching and research assistant for international private law and civil procedural law at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana. He has been a member and a coach of various successful moot court teams of University of Ljubljana and continues to be a mentor to moot court teams, competing for University of Ljubljana. He is currently working on his PhD thesis on the topic of property regimes and relations of cross-border families.

Other members of the organising team:



Aljoša Aleksovski

Aljoša Aleksovski is a Master Student in the Commercial Law module at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana. His research is focusing on EU competition law and company law. Aljoša was a member of the University of Ljubljana 2016/2017 CEEMC team, which placed first after written submissions and then finished third overall. After an internship at an international law firm, he is currently working in tax and legal department of PwC Slovenia.



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Jakob Cerovšek

Jakob Cerovšek is a Master Student in the Commercial Law module at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana. His research and publications are focusing on EU competition law and the EU banking union. He was pleading for the University of Ljubljana ELMC 2016/17 team in Naples (February 2017) and was awarded the ELMC Best Speaker *Ole Due* Award for his performance in the regional final.



Hana Šerbec

Hana Šerbec is a Master Student in the International Law module at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, and was pleading for the University of Ljubljana ELMC 2016/17 team in Naples in February 2017. After training with patent attorneys in Munich and tutoring European Constitutional Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, she is currently acting as judicial trainee in the cabinet of Judge Ilešič, Court of Justice of the EU.

Organisation of the Regional Final would not have been possible without **the following group of devoted volunteers**, all of whom are master students at our Faculty of Law: **Lara Matan, Tajda Jager, Rok Kljajič, Timotej Kotnik Jesih, Špela Lovšin, Urša Pirc, Nejc Urankar and Tilen Zonta**.

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Hosting Professors:



Ana Vlahek

Ana Vlahek is associate professor of civil and commercial law, and university docent of European law. She currently teaches EU law, contract law and commercial law at Faculty of Law in Ljubljana, as well as an Erasmus course on Judicial Remedies in the EU. She obtained her BA in law from the University of Ljubljana in 2003 defending a thesis on the reform of EU competition law and continued her education at University of Ljubljana with postgraduate studies in civil and commercial law including research and education visits abroad, and internship at UNCITRAL. She obtained her PhD in 2009 by defending a thesis on derivative transfer of movables in the European legal environment. Prof. Vlahek was Master of the Moot of the Ljubljana Regional Final of ELMC 2005/06 and has successfully participated in and coached ELMC, CEEMC and Willem C. Vis moot court teams. In 2004 (AG) and 2016, the University of Ljubljana moot court teams won the ELMC All-European Final under her mentorship, while in 2006, her team scored 2nd in the All-European Final (AG). Her research is currently focused on private enforcement of antitrust and collective redress. She is visiting professor and researcher at various law faculties abroad where she loves to promote the art of moot courting.



Klemen Podobnik

Klemen Podobnik is Associate Professor of Civil and Commercial Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana, and the Director of the Centre for Commercial Law at the Institute for Comparative Law at Faculty of Law in Ljubljana. He is a visiting professor and researcher at renowned European law faculties and a published author in Slovenia and internationally. Prof. Podobnik holds a B.A. (1994) and Doctorate in the Science of Law (2002, *cum laude*, thesis titled *Antitrust and the Issues of Democratic « Efficiency »*) from University of Ljubljana and

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an LL.M. degree from Columbia University Law School (2000). His research mainly focuses on competition law, intellectual property law, corporate governance, and law and internet. His past appointments include *inter alia* the positions of President of the Council of Experts of the Consumer Protection Office of Slovenia (2005-2011) and Member of the Management Board of Ljubljana Faculty of Law (2011-2018). Prof. Podobnik has also successfully mentored University of Ljubljana ELMC and CEEMC moot court teams and was judge at the ELMC 2005/06 RF in Ljubljana.

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XI. UNIVERSITY OF LJUBLJANA AND ITS LAW FACULTY*

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University of Ljubljana (*Universitas Labacensis*) is Slovenia's oldest and largest higher education institution. The Academia Operosorum Labacensium, an association of 'industrious men', was active in Ljubljana from 1693 to 1725, while Jesuit colleges, whose origins date back to the late 16th and early 17th centuries, offered a level of instruction that fell somewhere between grammar school and university studies. Following the dissolution of the Jesuit order in 1773, the Jesuit colleges became state lyceums where philosophy and theology as well as medicine and veterinary science were taught. After 1848, Austria abolished the lyceums. As it was no longer possible to study at a higher level in Slovenia, Slovenians were gaining a higher education at foreign universities (Padua, Vienna, later Prague, Graz and Zagreb). From as early as the mid-nineteenth century, calls for the founding of a Slovenian university began to be heard. Unfavourable political circumstances prevented the establishment of the university until the fall of the Austrian-Hungarian Empire and establishment of the Kingdom of Slovenes, Croats and Serbs in 1918. University of Ljubljana was established in 1919 the Faculty of Law being one of its founding faculties.

To our greatest delight, the Regional Final in Ljubljana this year will take place when the University of Ljubljana and the Faculty of Law commemorate their 100th anniversary.



On 23 July 1919, Prince Regent Aleksander Karađorđević signed the Act on University of the Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes in Ljubljana, i.e. today's University of Ljubljana. Its founding member faculties were the Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Medicine, Faculty of Law, Technical Faculty and Faculty of Theology. On 31 August 1919, the first 18 professors of the University were appointed by royal decree. The date 3 December 1919 is regarded as the University's birthday, as this is when Dr France Ramovš, expert in Slavic languages, held a lecture on the historical grammar of the Slovenian

language at the then Provincial Assembly of the Carniolan Provincial Manor, which has served as the premises of the University of Ljubljana to this day. The *Slovenski narod* newspaper described the event as follows: "And so the 3rd December 1919 has arrived, a historic day

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for all Slovenians and, indeed, for the entire Yugoslavia, a day which the great age has bestowed on our small nation, creating in our freedom our very own hearth of science, learning and culture, a day when our academic youth gathered at the Provincial Assembly and listened from 9 to 10 am to the first lecture held at the newly-founded Slovenian university.” The Rector of the new University of Ljubljana became Josip Plemelj who was one of the most important mathematicians of the early 20th century.

In the first academic year of 1919/1920, 942 students enrolled in the University, 28 women and 914 men. Although the number of men greatly surpassed the number of women, the first PhD title was bestowed on a woman, which was a rarity even in Europe. The title was awarded to Ana Mayer on 15 July 1920 for her dissertation entitled *On the effects of formalin on starch*.

Between the two world wars, the University of Ljubljana, the youngest and smallest university in the then Kingdom of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes, was granted the least funds. Such underfunding resulted in inadequate premises and equipment. Nevertheless, the number of students continued to rise. While 942 students enrolled in the first academic year, the 1940/1941 academic year saw as many as 2,474 students. The number of regular teachers also increased, from the initial 18 to 90.

At the end of WWII, the University of Ljubljana entered a new period. The founding member faculties expanded their study programmes. As the need for experts rose, the original faculties were joined by the Faculty of Economics in 1946, and the Faculty of Agronomy a year later. In the 1960s, the University of Ljubljana comprised as many as nine faculties: Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Economics, Faculty of Natural Sciences and Engineering, Faculty of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy, Faculty of Electrical Engineering, Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, Faculty of Medicine, and Biotechnical Faculty. In 1970, the Faculty of Sociology, Political Science and Journalism was admitted as the tenth member. On 24 November 1975, ten more schools and academies joined the University of Ljubljana and its ten existing faculties under a self-management agreement: the Academy of Music, Academy of Fine Arts, Academy of Theatre, Radio, Film and Television, the Education Academy, Higher School for Physical Culture, Junior Maritime College in Piran, School of Social Work, College for Health Workers, School of Public Administration and the Higher Technical Safety School.

Slovenia’s independence and the resulting political developments have also brought changes to the field of higher education. The Higher Education Act, adopted in December 1993, enabled the country’s then two universities, one in Ljubljana and one in Maribor, to transform into classical European universities. Greater importance was placed on scientific and research work, and the universities were given greater autonomy.

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Today, the University of Ljubljana ranks among the top 3% of universities in the world. It has been ranked among the top 500 universities by the prestigious Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU); it is placed 370th in The Center for World University Rankings (CWUR) and listed in the 601-800 group in the Times Higher Education (THE) ranking.

The University comprises 23 faculties and three academies of art, which provide study programmes in all fields, i.e. natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, engineering, medicine, and the arts. It is the largest and oldest higher education institution in Slovenia, where nearly forty thousand students are studying. The researchers and students of our University achieve extraordinary results in Slovenia and abroad, securing the University's place as the largest and central scientific and research institution in Slovenia.



The Ljubljana Faculty of Law, established in 1919, is one of the founding faculties of the University of Ljubljana and the largest law faculty in Slovenia. On 15 April 1920, the first dean of the Faculty, Professor Leonid Pitamic, marked the beginning of the Faculty's teaching and research activities with an inaugural lecture entitled "Law and Revolution", emphasising that "we can neither make, share nor find justice, if there is no justice within ourselves".

Ever since, the Faculty has offered its students an intellectually exciting learning environment with high academic standards at undergraduate and postgraduate level, promoting both legal knowledge and critical thought. The Faculty of Law is very proud of its motto "The Tradition of Excellence".

Through the years, the Faculty of Law remained committed to its mission to provide its students with the best possible legal education so as to prepare them for all the traditional legal professions. Located in a renovated building complex at the very centre of the city of Ljubljana, the Faculty boasts a large teaching staff working in nine departments, six further associated research institutes and the most extensive law library in the region.

In addition to educating excellent legal experts, the Faculty of Law is committed to the development of legal science and law in Slovenia. Its staff and students are engaged in legislative and social processes, namely in the following ways: through research and practical

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work within the institutes operating at the Faculty or in one way or another associated with it, through participation in legislative drafting, where with in-depth and extensive knowledge of specific fields they endeavour to ensure expert formation of legal texts, through participation in expert meetings aimed at training professionals from various fields and exchange of views (cooperation with the Judicial Training Centre, the Bar Association and the Chamber of Notaries) through commenting and clarifying legal issues in mass media.

The Faculty of Law also nurtures its international outlook and reputation. This is shown not only in the European, comparative, and international focus embodied in its study programmes, but also in the high mobility of its students and teaching staff, frequent visiting lecturers and other distinguished guests, successful participation in international student competitions, and a growing portfolio of international conferences and similar events taking place at the Faculty.

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XII. PARTICIPATION OF FACULTY OF LAW OF UNIVERSITY OF LJUBLJANA IN MOOT COURTS AND THE ELMC

Moot courting at Faculty of Law of University of Ljubljana

The Faculty of Law of University of Ljubljana takes special pride in the fact that one of the most developed extra-curricular activities offered to the students is the participation in teams competing at various national, regional and international moot court competitions. In the last decade, the number of competitions, in which the Ljubljana Faculty of Law teams participate at regularly, has grown from the initial few to no less than ten. It is the interest of each generation of mentors, coaches and students that determine which moot court teams will be formed in the given year.

In principle, the teams are coached by junior academic staff and/or former mooties, the enthusiasm of whom has been so far the true driving force behind the expansion of this activity and the notable successes, among which some are really quite formidable. We are particularly delighted that our Organising Team consists of faculty staff & students who have all taken part (as speakers, coaches and/or mentors) in one or more of the following competitions:

- *The Annual Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot Court Competition*, Vienna & Hong Kong (7th place in 2002, 3rd place in 2003, 2nd best speaker in 2004, multiple memoranda and speakers' honourable mentions)
- *Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition*, Washington (best memorandum award & best non-native speaker award in 2017)
- *Central and East European Moot Court Competition* (1st place in 2003, 2012, 2014 and 2015; 2nd place in 2004, 3rd place in 2005 and 2017; multiple best memoranda and best speaker's awards)
- *Concours Européen des Droits de l'Homme René Cassin*, Strasbourg (6th place & best memorandum in 2002; 6th place in 2008; 4th place in 2009 and 2013)
- *International Commercial Mediation Competition*, Paris (quarterfinals in 2018)
- *Annual International Asylum Law Moot Court Competition*
- *Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court*, Frankfurt (5th place in 2016; 2nd place & best speaker award in 2018)

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- *Regional Friedrich Born Moot Court Competition & Regional International Humanitarian Law Competition* (1st place in 2005, 2009 and 2010; 2nd place in 2007)
- *Regional Moot Court Competition in Human Rights* (2nd place in the grand-final in Strasbourg in 2013; 1st place in the grand final in Strasbourg in 2016; several successes in regional finals)
- *European Law Moot Court Competition* (1st place in the All-European Final in Luxembourg in 2004 (AG) and 2016, 2nd place in All-European Final in Luxembourg in 2006 (AG), multiple successes at regional finals).

Our faculty is also the organizer of the *All European International Humanitarian and Refugee Law Moot Court Competition*, *Model United Nations*, national *Pitamic Competition* and internal faculty student competition *Legal solution*

ELMC at Faculty of Law of University of Ljubljana

Our Organising Team is delighted that the Regional Final of the 2018/19 ELMC season will be the second ELMC event organised under the auspices of our law faculty, which has already hosted a Regional Final back in 2006 our Prof. Ana Vlahek acting as the Master of the Moot.

Our ELMC teams have always been very successful in their participation in the competition, having always qualified for the oral phase of the competition. Our teams have qualified three times to the All-European Final in Luxembourg. In 2004, Katja Plauštajner, LL.M. (Harvard), won the All-European Final in the AG category under the mentorship of Prof. Ana Vlahek and Mag. Martina Sever, while Vesna Božič Štajnpihler scored second as AG in 2006 under the mentorship of Prof. Klemen Podobnik, LL.M. (Columbia), Prof. Ana Vlahek and Mag. Ana Mušič. In 2016, Mirjam Homar, Lara Matan and Urša Ušeničnik won the ELMC in the team category under the mentorship of Prof. Ana Vlahek, Žiga Urankar, LL.M. (Harvard), Sandra Koren and Kaja Batagelj. A year later, Mirjam Homar, Lara Matan and Urša Ušeničnik successfully coached the ELMC 2016/17 team under the mentorship of Prof. Ana Vlahek. Their team scored 3rd at the regional final in Naples while also winning the Ole Due Best Speaker Prize received by Jakob Cerovšek.

Two members of the 2016/17 ELMC team (Jakob Cerovšek and Hana Šerbec) are also members of this year's Organising Team while other members of the Organising Team have successfully participated at other moot courts (As. Filip Dougan at Rene Cassin and Philip C. Jessup, Aljoša Aleksovski at CEEMC). Hosting Professors of this year's RF in Ljubljana, too, have

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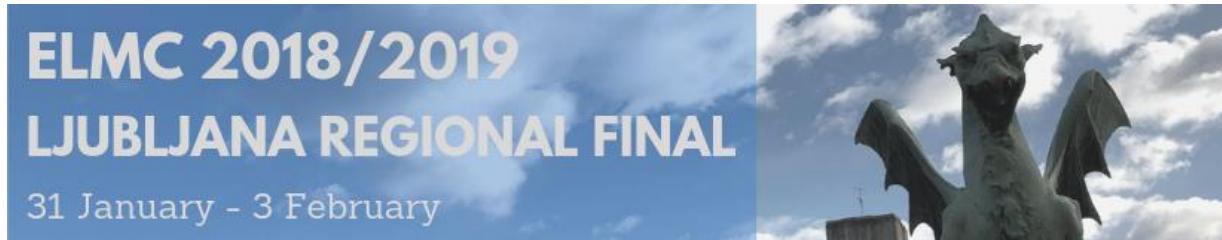
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participated intensively in moot court competitions. Prof. Klemen Podobnik was a mentor of our faculty's ELMC and CEEMC teams, while Prof. Vlahek was a speaker at Willem C. Vis (7th place in 2002) and CEEMC (1st place in 2003), and a coach and mentor of multiple Willem C. Vis, ELMC and CEEMC teams.

Several former mooties and other students of our faculty (including dr. Nana Šumrada Slavnič, LL.M. (Harvard)) have also successfully participated in and/or coached ELMC teams of other universities while on their LL.M. studies abroad.

The achievements of our teams in ELMC and CEEMC are undoubtedly a result of intense studying of EU law during undergraduate and postgraduate studies at our faculty. EC/EU law taught by Prof. Peter Grilc and Prof. Klemen Podobnik (and later Prof. Ana Vlahek) has been one of the important obligatory courses at the Faculty of Law in Ljubljana since the beginning of the 90s. It is noteworthy that at the time, many law faculties seated in EU Member States had not yet offered elective let alone obligatory courses in EC/EU law. Being aware of the importance of Slovenia's membership in the EC/EU, EC/EU law had been taught intensively already prior to joining the EU in 2004. The course covered both general constitutional and procedural topics, as well as substantive topics such as the four freedoms and EC/EU competition law. After the implementation of the Bologna system in 2009, two core courses on EU law are being taught at our faculty: European Constitutional Law and EU Law, whereas specific topics of EU law are being covered within other obligatory and elective courses of undergraduate and postgraduate studies. Various courses on topics of EU law (Judicial Remedies in the EU, Internal Market of the EU etc.) are offered also to incoming Erasmus students.



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Results of Ljubljana Law Faculty ELMC teams:

Year	Result	Team members	Coaches	Mentor
2016/17	- qualified to RF in Naples - 3 rd place in the RF - Best Speaker Ole Due Award (Jakob Cerovšek)	Ana Bonča Jakob Cerovšek Hana Šerbec Anja Škof	Mirjam Homar Lara Matan Urša Ušeničnik	Ana Vlahek
2015/16	- qualified to RF in Maastricht - 1st place in the RF - 1st place in the All-European Final in Luxembourg	Mirjam Homar Lara Matan Urša Ušeničnik	Žiga Urankar Sandra Koren Kaja Batagelj	Ana Vlahek
2014/15	- qualified to RF in Prague - semi-finals of RF in Prague (EC Agent)	Jaka Kukavica Maša Marković Suzana Pecin Gea Singer	Tina Krajšek Samar Ana Marija Lančić Sandra Koren Žiga Urankar	Ana Vlahek
2013/14	- qualified to RF in Torino - 3rd place in the RF (EC Agent) - best memoranda of the RF	Ana Hergouth Kaja Batagelj Tina Krajšek Samar Ana Marija Lančić	Mojea Ilešič Neža Šubic Urška Cujnik	Ana Vlahek
2008/09	- qualified to RF in Sofia - 2nd place in the RF	Monika Ban Nastja Merlak Jan Primec Tilen Terlep	/	Matej Accetto
2006/07	- qualified to RF in Zagreb - best memoranda of the RF	Maja Berger Marko Stoilovski Uroš Bogša Tjaša Lahovnik Ajda Gobec Nina Božič Maja Bratuž	Ana Vlahek Matej Accetto	Klemen Podobnik Peter Grilc
2005/06	- qualified to RF in Dublin - 3 rd place in the RF - 1st place in the RF (AG) - 2 nd place in the all-European final in Luxembourg (AG)	Vesna Božič (AG) Matic Novak Simon Tomaževič Sara Pernuš Tina Sever Anja Koščak	Ana Mušič Ana Vlahek	Klemen Podobnik
2004/05	- qualified to RF in Goeteborg - 3 rd place of the RF (AG) - 5th place of the RF	Ana Mušič (AG) Maja Koritnik Gruša Matevžič Vid Kobe Lana Mihelčič Sonja Sikošek Anita Smole Irena Štokelj	Ana Vlahek	Peter Grilc
2003/04	- qualified to RF in Lisbon - 1st place of the RF (AG)	Katja Plauštajner (AG)	Ana Vlahek Martina Sever	/

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	- 3rd place of the RF - 1st place in the all-European final in Luxembourg (AG)	Rok Žvelc Andreja Božič Simon Brence Živa Filipič Mihael Gubenšek Dunja Jandl Andrej Kristan Tina Ušaj Jernej Valič Katarina Žnidaršič		
2002/03	- qualified to RF in Helsinki	Martina Sever Aleksander Bakić Maja Čarni Maja Brkan Mateja Čuk	/	Klemen Podobnik



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XIII. CITY OF LJUBLJANA

Ljubljana is the political and cultural heart of Slovenia. It is an important European commercial, business, exhibition and congressional centre as well as the transport, science and education centre of Slovenia.

As its inhabitants and numerous visitors will tell you, Ljubljana is, indeed, a people-friendly city. Categorised as a medium-sized European city with its 300.000 inhabitants, it manages to combine the best of both worlds: all the perks of big European cities while simultaneously maintaining its small-town friendliness.

Its geographical position in the centre of Europe has determined Ljubljana as a natural meeting place for merchants and soldiers as well as - and more than once - peacemakers. The victors of the Napoleonic wars selected this peaceful city as the site of the Holy Alliance congress, which in 1821 sealed the European political geography for years to come.

In Ljubljana, the old meets the new; and it seems that history has spent all of the settlement's five millennia preparing it to become the nation's capital. It has managed to retain traces from all periods of its rich history; from the legacy of Roman Emona; through to the Renaissance, Baroque and Art Nouveau periods characterised in the house fronts and ornate doorways of the city centre, the romantic bridges adorning the Ljubljanica river, the lopsided rooftops and a park reaching deep into the city centre. Here, eastern and western cultures met; and the Italian concept of art combined with the sculptural aesthetics of Central European cathedrals.



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Recommended tourist sights

Ljubljana Castle

A mighty medieval fortress, a symbol of the Slovenian capital Ljubljana is an interesting tourist point, the idyllic grounds for long strolls just a glance away from the lively city centre. Funicular railway located just across the street from our faculty will take all the way up to the castle in less than a minute. Price: 4€ for a return ticket or 2.2€ for a one-way ride.

City Hall (also the location of our welcome reception!)

Ljubljana's Town Hall (locally referred to as Mestna hiša, Magistrat or Rotovž) is the seat of the Municipality of Ljubljana. The tour of Ljubljana's Town Hall includes a number of rooms which have so far not been open for public viewing. It offers an insight into the rich history of a building which stands as one of Ljubljana's most striking Baroque monuments.

National Gallery of Slovenia

Founded in 1918, it is the main Slovenian art gallery that hosts a permanent art collection from the middle ages to the early 20th century. It also contains the original Robba fountain, the copy of which you will see in front of the City Hall.

Tivoli Park

Located just across the street from the National Gallery, it is the largest and most beautiful park in Ljubljana and contains numerous walking alleys, ponds, gardens, sculptures and fountains. It is also a home of two important baroque buildings – Cekin Mansion and Tivoli Castle.

Prešeren Square

In the heart of Ljubljana, right by the Triple Bridge, you can find Prešeren Square with the statue of our greatest poet and author of our national anthem – France Prešeren.

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River boat ride

There are numerous providers of a river boat trip that take you along the Ljubljanica river, which offers a unique view and experience of our capital. Some offer boat trips also during the winter months.

Other notable attractions: Museum of Modern Art, Opera House and many churches, including the Sts. Cyril and Methodius Church, an Eastern Orthodox church building located in Trubar Park. A protestant church and a new Ljubljana Mosque are also located in the city. The majority of religious Slovenes are, however, Catholic, which is evident from a multitude of Catholic churches in Ljubljana and elsewhere in Slovenia.

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XIII. ACCOMODATION FOR THE PARTICIPANTS - CITY HOTEL LJUBLJANA

The participants will be accommodated at the City Hotel Ljubljana in the very heart of Ljubljana, with relaxed atmosphere, comfort and a scenic view on the city. The hotel is located just a few minutes' walk from the moot court locations, the old city centre and main tourist attractions, shops and restaurants.



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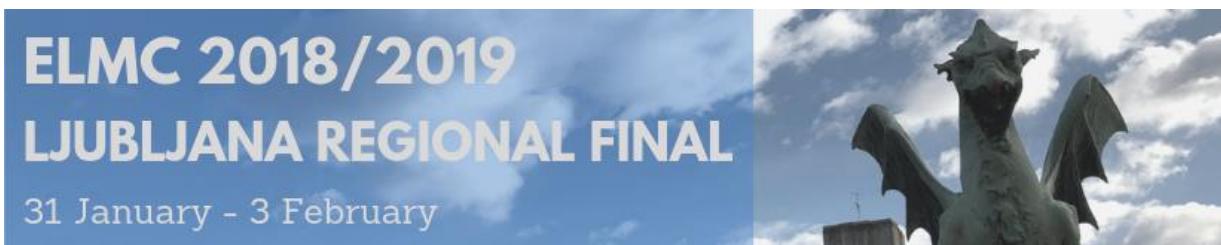
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XIV. REGIONAL TEAM'S RECOMMENDATIONS

Recommended restaurants & bars & miscellaneous

RESTAURANTS:

Lars & Sven burgers. We have arranged a special ELMC RF menu offer for Saturday, which will get you a burger and small fries for 3.95€. *Intersection of Slovenska cesta & Šubičeva ulica.*

Pizzeria Veracce. The best pizza in town – made by traditional recipes from Naples. *Streliská ulica 22.*

Figovec – Slovenska Hiša. The go-to place if you want to try traditional Slovene dishes. *Gospodsvetska cesta 1.*

Altrokè. Restaurant in the centre of Ljubljana that offers excellent Istrian cuisine. *Stari trg 19.*

Sarajevo '84. Flashback to the days of the previous regime. Here you can try *čevapčići* – traditional Bosnian dish. *Nazorjeva 12.*

Klobasarna. Close to the City Hall, this small place offers the best Slovenian Carniolan sausage – *Kranjska klobasa*, which is in the register of Protected geographical indications. *Ciril-Metodov trg 15.*

BARS:

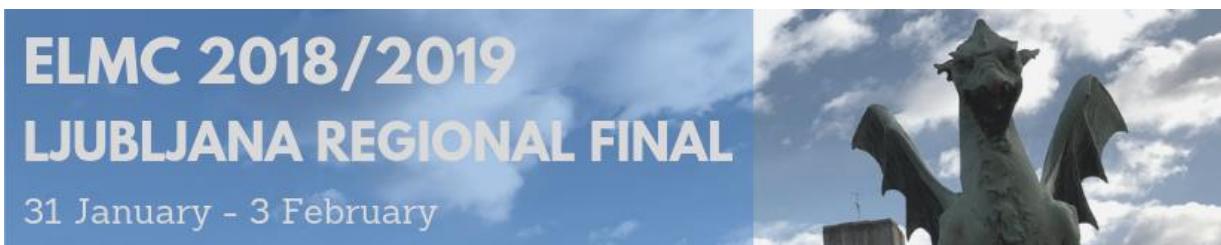
Movia. A specialised wine bar and shop in Ljubljana's City Hall building, a place where both Slovenian wine and the people who drink it feel at ease. *Mestni trg 2.*

Magda. A cool, hipster bar located in the covered market, offers a wide variety of cocktails and spirits. *Pogačarjev trg 1.*

Pritličje. Located right by the City Hall, it is well known for its casual and relaxed atmosphere. *Mestni trg 2.*

Slovenska hiša. A bar that offers only Slovenian drinks and snacks and serves them in unique Slovenian tableware. *Cankarjevo nabrežje 13.*





BEST PLACES TO GET COFFEE:

Čokl. Espresso of the day or a blend of your preference, this tiny coffee place is located just across the street from our law faculty. *Krekov trg 8.*

Cafetino. Should you feel in the mood for some serious coffee experimentation, Cafetino offers a plethora of different coffees from all over the world. *Stari trg 5.*

Zvezda Café. Positioned on a prime venue between the Zvezda Park and Ljubljana's famous Triple Bridge, Zvezda is setting new standards of quality and fresh approach towards desserts, ice creams and other sweets. *Wolfsova ulica 14.*

Important telephone numbers

Police – Call 113

Fire/Emergency vehicle – Call 112

Closest pharmacy is located right next to Prešeren square, a 3min walk away from our Faculty of law.

Other activities

The Regional Team will be happy to provide information on museums or any other activities in Ljubljana.

Should you wish to explore Ljubljana more thoroughly, look no further than across the street from our Faculty of Law – Ljubljana Tourist Information Centre (TIC) is located at *Kopitarjeva ulica 1* where you will be provided with all the options for your sightseeing.



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