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The European Law Students' Association  
IE UNIVERSITY

# The European Law Student Association at IE University

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# A Letter from the President



Dear aspiring members,

You are one step away from joining the largest and most prestigious law student program in Europe! As a member of the ELSA network, you will have the opportunity to participate in a wide range of events, conferences, and seminars, as well as connect with other law students and professionals from across the continent.

ELSA aims at providing law students a platform to develop and acquire skills, interact with fellow students and experiences practitioners from different states and legal systems around Europe, and to be equipped for a professional life in an international environment, through mutual understanding, intercultural cooperation and the large variety of activities and projects the Association offers.

We look forward to seeing your interest in our distinguished society!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Toledano'. The signature is stylized and fluid, with a large initial 'J'.

Jade Toledano

*President & Chairwoman of the Board of Directors | ELSA IE 24-25*

# Benefits of Membership

Being a member of the European Law Students' Association (ELSA) can provide a range of benefits for law students and young legal professionals. Some of the key benefits of ELSA membership include:

**Professional development opportunities:** ELSA offers a variety of events, conferences, and seminars that provide opportunities for members to learn from experts in the legal field and to network with other professionals. These opportunities can help you to enhance your knowledge and skills, and to build your professional network.

**Access to exclusive resources:** As an ELSA member, you will have access to a range of international resources and materials, including online legal databases, job listings, and member-exclusive internships. These resources can help you to stay up-to-date on legal developments and to find job opportunities.

**An impressive addition to your resume:** Being a member of ELSA is an exclusive honor, and it can be an impressive addition to your resume. It demonstrates your commitment to your legal education and career, and it can help you to stand out to employers.

**Networking opportunities:** ELSA's events and activities provide opportunities for members to connect with other law students and legal professionals from across Europe. Brought upon by a series of study trips, these connections can be valuable for building relationships and finding job opportunities.

**Leadership experience:** As an ELSA member, you may have the opportunity to participate in leadership roles within the organization, such as serving on the executive board or organizing events. These roles can provide valuable experience in leadership and management, which can be beneficial for your future career goals.

Overall, ELSA membership can provide a range of benefits for law students and young legal professionals, including opportunities for professional development, access to exclusive resources, an impressive addition to your resume, networking opportunities, and leadership experience. As a world-renowned association, ELSA membership is a highly respected achievement that can help you to reach your career goals.

# Exciting Upcoming Events!

## MITCHELL L. MCLEAN TRIAL - INTERNAL AND INTERNATIONAL EDITIONS

THE PREMIER EVENT THAT BRIDGES THE GAP BETWEEN EUROPEAN AND AMERICAN LEGAL SYSTEMS! AS THE ONLY US LAW MOOT IN SPAIN, THIS COMPETITION, ORGANIZED BY THE EUROPEAN LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (ELSA) AT IE UNIVERSITY, AIMS TO PROVIDE EUROPEAN LAW STUDENTS WITH A PROFOUND EXPOSURE TO THE INTRICACIES OF AMERICAN LAW.



## GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

ELSA IE PRIDES ITSELF WITH BEING A SOCIETY THAT LISTENS AND COUNTS ON ITS MEMBERS! WE HOLD FORMAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS WHERE MEMBERS CAN MOTION AND VOTE ON IMPORTANT MATTERS THAT PROACTIVELY AFFECT ELSA IE.

## LAW JOURNAL

MANAGED BY THE MEMBERS OF ELSA IE, IE UNIVERSITY'S HIGHEST-ACHIEVING LAW STUDENTS, WE ARE COMMITTED TO FACILITATING CRITICAL DISCUSSION OF CONTEMPORARY LEGAL ISSUES AND PROVIDING AN ACCESSIBLE FORUM OF LEGAL DISCOURSE.



# Exciting Upcoming Events!

## ELSA IE STUDY TRIPS

ELSA IE ALLOWS ITS MEMBERS TO EMBARK ON AMAZING JOURNEYS AROUND THE WORLD TO CONNECT WITH OTHER ELSA CHAPTERS AND BROADEN THEIR LEGAL NETWORK. WE HAVE TRAVELED TO PLACES LIKE NEW YORK WHERE WE VISITED PRESTIGIOUS LAW FIRMS, THE NEW YORK STATE UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM, AND ESTEEMED LAW SCHOOLS SUCH AS COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL AND FORDHAM UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW.



## ELSA SPAIN AND ELSA INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS

JOINING ELSA IE GRANTS YOU EXCLUSIVE ACCESS TO ELSA INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS SUCH AS TRAINEESHIPS, SUMMER SCHOOLS, AND DELEGATIONS. NOT ONLY USED TO ENHANCE YOUR CV BUT PROVIDE YOU WITH REAL WORLD LAW EXPERIENCES.

## PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

WE ARE LOOKING FOWARD TO MANY DIFFERENT CONFERENCES THAT ALLOW EACH MEMBER TO INDULGE THEMSELVES IN DIFFERENT FIELDS OF LAW. PROFESSIONALS FROM ALL AREAS OF THE LAW PROVIDE VALUABLE INPUT TO ALL OUR MEMBERS.



# Member Obligations

**Participating in local events and activities:** Our chapter typically organizes a range of events and activities, such as conferences, seminars, workshops, and social events, and as a general member, you may be expected to participate in these events as much as possible.

**Academic Standing:** As a member of our distinguished honor society, we pride ourselves upon your success. The average GPA amongst our members is a 8.0. All members must also be enrolled as a law student at IE Law School.

**Promoting ELSA and its activities:** As a general member, you will play a key role in promoting ELSA and its activities to fellow students and the broader community. This includes engaging with social media platforms and participating in the various activities ELSA will prepare for you.

**Participating in meetings and decision-making:** We have regular meetings where members can participate in discussions and decision-making processes, and as a general member, you will be expected to attend these infrequent meetings and contribute your ideas and perspectives.

**Paying membership fees:** We require members to pay semesterly membership fees in order to help cover the costs of events and activities. As a general member, you will be expected to pay these fees in a timely manner.

Membership in the European Law Students' Association (ELSA) is a privilege, and it is important for members to respect the regulations, bylaws, and Code of Conduct of the organization. ELSA has established rules and policies to ensure that its activities are carried out in a professional and respectful manner, and it is important for members to adhere to these rules and policies.

Failure to respect the regulations, bylaws, and Code of Conduct of ELSA may result in infractions or termination of membership. This could occur if a member engages in behavior that is deemed to be inappropriate or disruptive, or if a member fails to meet the requirements of membership, such as paying membership fees or participating in required activities.

It is important for members to understand that membership in ELSA is a privilege, and that it carries with it certain responsibilities and expectations. By respecting the regulations, bylaws, and Code of Conduct of the organization, members can help to ensure that ELSA remains a respected and professional organization that serves the needs of its members.

# Fees and Dues

<u>New Applicants</u>	<u>Yearly Renewal</u>
EUR 65.00	EUR 50.00

Membership fees are an important source of funding for the European Law Students' Association (ELSA). They help cover the costs of events and activities that are offered to members.

The purpose of membership fees is to ensure that ELSA has the resources it needs to provide valuable learning and networking opportunities for its members. These fees help to fund activities such as conferences, seminars, workshops, and social events, as well as the administrative costs of running the organization.

Overall, membership fees are an important source of funding for ELSA, and they help to ensure that the organization has the resources it needs to provide valuable benefits to its members. By paying these fees, members are able to support the work of ELSA and to take advantage of the many learning and networking opportunities that are offered to them.



# Scholarships and Fee Waiver Information

Type of Aid	Value	Requirements
<b>President's Scholarship</b>	All fees waived	Application
<b>Secretary's Scholarship</b>	All fees waived	Application
<b>Executive's List Scholarship</b>	No Semester Fee	9.5+ GPA
<b>General Financial Aid</b>	Case by case	Questionnaire

ELSA IE offers several scholarship options to help members with the cost of membership fees. These scholarships are designed to provide financial assistance to members who may be facing financial hardship or who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement.

The President's Scholarship is a full scholarship that waives all membership fees for the recipient. To apply for this scholarship, members must submit an application demonstrating their financial need or other qualifications.

The Secretary's Scholarship is also a full scholarship that waives all membership fees for the recipient. Like the President's Scholarship, it requires an application demonstrating financial need or other qualifications.

The Executive's List Scholarship is a partial scholarship that waives the semesterly membership fee for the recipient. To be eligible for this scholarship, members must have a GPA of 9.5 or higher.

The General Financial Aid scholarship is available on a case-by-case basis to members who may need financial assistance, or any member who is or has been impacted directly by the war in Ukraine. To apply for this aid, members should contact [treasurer.ieuniversity@es.elsa.org](mailto:treasurer.ieuniversity@es.elsa.org).

ELSA IE's scholarship options are designed to provide financial assistance to members who may be facing financial hardship or who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement. These scholarships help to ensure that enrollment in ELSA is accessible to all members, regardless of their financial circumstances.



# About the Board

## Board of Directors



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The Board of Directors of ELSA IE is responsible for the overall management and direction of the organization. The board consists of elected student leaders from IE Law School, who work together to achieve the goals and objectives of the group.

The Board of Directors is responsible for defining the long-term vision and mission of the group, and for developing and implementing plans to achieve these goals. This includes overseeing the budget and finances, coordinating events and activities, and ensuring that all activities are carried out in accordance with the group's rules and regulations.

The Board of Directors is also responsible for representing the organization to external stakeholders in the local community, including government agencies, local businesses, and other organizations; and works closely with members to support their efforts to participate in group activities, and to provide guidance and assistance as needed.

Overall, Board of Directors plays a crucial role in the leadership and management of ELSA IE, and works to ensure that the organization remains an active and influential presence in the local community.

The logo for ELSA, featuring the word "elsa" in a white, lowercase, serif font on a dark blue background.

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