



# THEMIS 2018 COMPETITION SEMI-FINAL B European Family Law

# 7-9 May 2018 Vilnius, Lithuania

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#### BACKGROUND

EJTN THEMIS Competition is a competition with a unique format, opened to judicial trainees from across Europe and aiming to exchange views and develop new approaches on topics related to international civil and criminal cooperation, human rights and judicial deontology.

The competition is opened to judicial trainees from all training institutions who are members or observers of EJTN. Teams of three judicial trainees accompanied by one teacher/tutor may enroll in the competition which consists of four semi-finals and a grand-final. The official language of the competition is English.

The jury of the competition is chosen from a pool of experts appointed by EJTN Members, that are wellregarded professionals in the field of the given semifinal/final. As a general rule, experts must not have the same nationality as the competing team they will have to assess.

The jury members assessed the overall quality and the originality, the critical thinking and the anticipation of future solutions, the reference to relevant case law, but also the communication skills and the consistency.

Each semi-final had three stages: a written paper on a topic relevant for the subject of the semi-final, an oral presentation of that paper and a discussion with the jury.

The maximum number of teams participating in a semifinal is eleven. The winner and runner up of each semifinal will enter the grand-final, consequently there are eight teams in the grand-final. The prize for the winning team is a one-week study visit, organised and financed by EJTN, in any European judicial institution.

### AGENDA

Monday 07 May 2018				
08.15	Arrival and registration of participants			
09:30	Opening Ceremony and Presentation of Rules	Arno VINKOVIC, EJTN TBD, CGPJ		
09:45	Presentation of the Lithuanian judicial System	тво		
10.15	Presentation and discussion – Team PORTUGAL 1			
11.45	Coffee Break			
12.00	Presentation and discussion – Team SERBIA			
13.30	Lunch			
14.30	Presentation and discussion – Team ROMANIA			
16:30	End of day 1 Jury deliberations			
Tuesday 08 May 2018				
9.30	Presentation and discussion – Team FRANCE			
11.00	Coffee break			

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11.30	Presentation and discussion – Team GREECE	
13.00	Lunch	
14.00	Presentation and discussion – Team PORTUGAL 2	
15.30	End of day 2 Jury deliberations	
15:45		
17:15	End of day 2 Jury deliberations	

Official dinner

Wednesday 09 May 2018				
9.30	Awards Ceremony			
10.30	Closing ceremony			
11:30	Closing of the program			

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