

## **The 2020 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition German National Rules Supplement**

This Rules Supplement applies only to the German National Rounds. It is to be read in conjunction with the Official Rules, and takes precedence in the event of a conflict.

### **Supplement to Rule 1.0- Organization of the Competition**

#### 1.1 Administration

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#### 1.7 Interpretation of Rules

Any questions as to the interpretation of the Supplement shall be addressed to the National Administrators. The Executive Director shall serve as final arbiter in implementation and interpretation of the Supplement.

### **Supplement to Official Rule 2.0- Participation and Eligibility**

#### 2.17 Anonymity of Teams

Teams may share pictures and updates of the Team or Team Member to Facebook, Instagram, Twitter or other publicly available websites. By way of clarification, posting a picture on the Team's official social media page or website, identifying individual Team Members by name, does not in itself constitute a violation of Rule 2.17. Teams shall not identify themselves by their Team Number.

### **Supplement to Official Rule 5.0 – Judges and Eligibility to Judge**

#### **5.6 Prior Viewing of Teams**

For further clarification, the National Administrators advise Teams that while they will strive to avoid having judges view Teams they have already viewed in a previous Oral Round, situations might occur where such a result will be unavoidable. Taking into account the procedures laid out in Official Rule 5.5 (b), the Administrators will decide if the placement of the judges is nevertheless necessary and in the best interest of the Competition

### **Supplement to Official Rule 6.0 – Memorials**

#### **6.1 Submission of Memorials**

(a) The Memorial Submission Deadline specified in Official Rule 6.1 and the Official Schedule applies. By way of clarification, the deadline expires at 24:00 Central European Time (CET) (UTC +1) on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

(b) In addition to all Memorial submission requirements stipulated by ILSA, each Team shall submit its Applicant and Respondent Memorials in a single e-mail to the National Administrators (via [jessup@jura.uni-goettingen.de](mailto:jessup@jura.uni-goettingen.de)) no later than the Memorial Submission Deadline.

(c) Each Team shall mail four paper copies of both their Applicant Memorial and their Respondent Memorial to the National Administrators (to the attention of Konstantin Gast) no later than the 16<sup>th</sup> of January 2020 (date of postmark).

(d) The burden of proof for appropriate addressing and emailing in case of email delivery irregularities lies with the sending Team.

#### **6.17/6.18**

(a) Official Rule 6.17 applies mutatis mutandis to Memorial scoring at the German National Rounds.

(b) If two scores are equally far from the mean, the lower score and the scoresheet on which it appears shall be disregarded

**Supplement to Official Rule 8.0 – Qualifying Competition Procedures**

- (a) The German National Rounds will consist of Preliminary Rounds, Quarterfinal Rounds, Semifinal Rounds and Championship Round. If three Teams may participate at the International Rounds, a Match for Third Place will be held.
- (b) The final overall Team ranking of the German National Rounds will be determined by the Team ranking after Preliminary Rounds, with the following exceptions:

**1<sup>st</sup> place:** Winner of the Championship Round (German National Champion)

**2<sup>nd</sup> place:** Runner-Up of the Championship Round (German National Runner-Up)

**3<sup>rd</sup> place:** If three Teams may participate at the International Rounds:  
Winner of the Match for Third Place

If two Teams may participate at the International Rounds: higher-ranking losing Semifinalist after the Preliminary Rounds

**4<sup>th</sup> place:** If three Teams may participate at the International Rounds:  
Runner-Up of the Match for Third Place

If two teams may participate at the International Rounds: lower-ranking losing Semifinalist after the Preliminary Rounds

**8.2 Pairings**

- (a) For the purpose of pairings in the Preliminary Rounds, the participating Teams will be divided into three Groups, based on the total Memorial ranking (unadjusted for penalties). The Groups will be composed as follows:

Group 1: Team ranked 1, 4,7,10,13,16,19

Group 2: Team ranked 2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17

Group 3: Teams ranked 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18

- (b) Each Team will plead against four different Teams from its Group, twice as Applicant and as Respondent. The pairings within the Groups will be decided randomly by the National Administrators

(c) The National Administrators may modify the draw in the best interests of the competition and shall immediately inform Teams about any such modifications.

#### 8.6 Pleading Option

(a) The Pleading option in all Advanced Rounds shall be determined by coin toss. A representative of the higher-ranking team from the Preliminary Rounds will call the toss. If the call was correct, his or her Team will have the pleading option. If the call was incorrect, the opposing Team will have the pleading option.

(b) The Team with the pleading option has fifteen minutes to decide which side it wishes to plead. If that Team fails to select, then the opposing Team has five minutes to do so. If the opposing Team also fails to select, it shall forfeit its pleading option as well. Should both Teams fail to select, then the National Administrators will decide randomly which Team will argue which side.

#### Supplement to Official Rule 9.0- International Pairing Procedures

(a) If, with the approval of the Executive Director, two German Teams are allowed to take part in International Rounds, the National Champion and the National Runner-Up shall be the National Representatives.

(b) If three German Teams have the right to proceed to the International Rounds, the National Champion, the National Runner-Up and the Winner of the Match for Third-Place shall represent Germany.

(c) Whether or not Germany can send more Teams to the International Rounds and whether such will be Competing Teams or Exhibition Teams, will be determined by the Executive Director after the National Administrators have submitted the final number of checked-in Teams to ILSA and thus, after commencement of the German Qualifying Rounds.

(d) In any event, the German Teams filing such a potential spot will be, in the following order: The Team ranking 3<sup>rd</sup> place (i.e. the higher

ranking losing Semifinalist from the Preliminary Rounds), the Team ranking 4<sup>th</sup> place (i.e. the lower-ranking losing Semifinalist from the Preliminary Rounds), and the Team ranking 5<sup>th</sup> place and so on. The National Administrators will inform all Teams as soon as such information becomes available to them.

### **Supplement to Official Rule 10.0- Competition Scoring**

#### **10.14 Reporting of Results**

In addition to all documents listed in Official Rule 10.14, after the conclusion of the German National Rounds, each participating Team shall receive its completed master Team scoresheet from the Preliminary Rounds.

### **Supplement to Official Rule 11.0 – Penalties**

#### **11.1 Memorial Penalties**

In addition to the penalties laid down in the Official Rules, the National Administrator may impose penalties for violations of the German National Rules Supplement as follows:

- Tardiness in emailing Memorial to the National Administrators: one point per day, up to a maximum of three points

In accordance with Official Rule 11.1, the National Administrators will notify affected Teams of imposed Memorial Penalties via their Contact Person no later than 1. February 2020. A Team may appeal any Penalty imposed against its Memorials in writing to the National Administrators until 24:00 CET (UTC+1) on 8 February 2020, indicating the reasons for reconsideration of the case. The Executive Director shall decide upon the validity of any appeal from the imposition of a Memorial Penalty by the National Administrator. Belated appeals will be deemed inadmissible.

### 11.3 Oral Round Penalties

In addition to the penalties laid down in the Official Rules, the National Administrator may impose penalties for violations of the German National Rules Supplement as follows:

- Marking the paper copies made available for the Teams in the respective court rooms: Up to 3 points (one-time penalty)
- Taking the paper copies made available for the Teams in the respective court rooms with them 2 points (one-time penalty)

In accordance with Official Rule 11.7, the National Administrators will notify affected Teams of imposed Oral Round Penalties via their Contact Person as soon as practicable.

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