



Team from University of Strasbourg wins 2022 René Cassin advocacy competition

Students from the University of Strasbourg have been declared the winners of the 2022 René Cassin advocacy competition for law students after beating a rival team from the University Lausanne in the final round.

This was the 37th René Cassin competition, consisting of a moot court with proceedings conducted in French based on the European Convention on Human Rights. The competition's academic committee, chaired by Mr Sébastien Touzé, law professor at the university of Paris II Panthéon-Assas, had this year proposed a fictitious case concerning the boundaries of humour and hate speech online.

The final took place at the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg on 17 June 2022 and the jury was made up of judges of the Court, lawyers, academics and representatives of the competition's partner institutions. It was chaired by Gabriele Kucsko-Stadlmayer, Section President at the Court.

Thirty-two teams from several countries (Belgium, France, Slovenia, Romania and Switzerland) selected following a written stage, competed on the premises of the Council of Europe and in the Human Rights Building.

Further information about this year's competition and previous competitions can be found on the [René Cassin Competition website](#) and the [dedicated page of the Court's website](#).

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