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# The European Law Institute

The European Law Institute (ELI) is an independent non-profit organisation established to initiate, conduct and facilitate research, make recommendations and provide practical guidance in the field of European legal development. By its endeavours, the ELI seeks to contribute to the formation of a more vigorous European legal community, integrating the achievements of the various legal cultures, endorsing the value of comparative knowledge, and taking a genuinely pan-European perspective.

## About the Award

The ELI Young Lawyers Award was officially launched at the ELI Annual Conference in 2016. The goal of this award is to provide the young European legal community with a mechanism to propose practical suggestions for the betterment of European law, as a way of giving voice to future European legal experts and to help the ELI in fulfilling its core mission of improving the quality of European law.

## Eligibility Criteria

The following individuals are eligible to submit entries:

- Applicants currently undertaking a university law degree, whether undergraduate or postgraduate at a European university.
- Candidates who are within five years of being awarded a law degree at the date by which entries must be submitted.

For enquiries concerning eligibility, please consult the ELI Secretariat at <[award@europeanlawinstitute.eu](mailto:award@europeanlawinstitute.eu)>.



## Requirements

Candidates must submit a unique and original paper which has not been previously published, dealing with a European legal issue that could be improved. The contribution can be submitted in any of the official EU languages along with an English translation. You can find more detailed instructions, including the ELI Stylesheet template on our website: <<http://www.europeanlawinstitute.eu/about-eli/award/>>.

## Procedure

- Please consult our website for the deadline for submission. Entries should be sent to the following address: <[award@europeanlawinstitute.eu](mailto:award@europeanlawinstitute.eu)>.
- The Jury of the ELI Young Lawyers Award, which is comprised of ELI members and other participating institutions, will announce the winner by the end of July. The Jury is selected by the ELI Executive Committee every two years.
- The successful candidate will be invited to present their paper during the ELI Annual Conference and General Assembly.
- In addition to covering travel expenses to the event, the winning contribution will be published on the ELI website and its author will be awarded with two years of free ELI Fellowship.

*'The ELI Young Lawyers Award is a chance for young jurists and lawyers to think about how they would like to see European law improved; but more than that a real chance to get their ideas put into action through further work with the ELI itself. The ELI wants to harness the inspiration from young lawyers by getting its experts and professionals to collaborate to bring their best ideas to reality in the future development of European law.'*

Diana Wallis, ELI President

