

**Council Decision CD 2018/5 of 21 March 2018
on the Exemption from the Membership Fee
Payment**

- (1) In accordance with Article 8(5) of the Statute, and adding to Council Decision 2011/9, the Council determines, given the merits of bringing future young lawyers into the ELI's fold, that the following institutions shall be exempt from paying an annual membership fee:
 - (a) The European Union and its institutions, bodies, offices and agencies;
 - (b) Sovereign States and their constitutional bodies;
 - (c) Intergovernmental organisations;
 - (d) The United Nations and its bodies, offices and agencies; and
 - (e) Student associations.**

- (2) The Council pre-approves the admittance as Institutional Observer of any institution which qualifies for this exemption from the annual membership fee, once their application has been accepted by the Membership Committee. Should there be doubt as to whether an applying institution indeed qualifies, the Membership Committee shall approach the Council for a decision.