

Terms and Conditions of the International LegalTech Competition "Legal Reasoning in the Age of GenAl"

§1 Definitions

The following terms shall be understood as follows:

- a) FBE the European Bars Federation (Fédération des Barreaux d'Europe);
- b) Competition the International LegalTech Competition 2025, organized by the FBE New Technologies Commission in cooperation with the FBE Intellectual Property Commission and the FBE Access to Justice Commission;
- c) Participant any individual representing a Bar Association affiliated with the FBE, including qualified lawyers, trainees and law students nominated by their Bar, regardless of age;
- d) Finalist a Participant selected to compete in the final round of the Competition, to be held in Lucca (Italy), as announced by the organizers. This includes, in particular, a Participant chosen in accordance with § 4.1 of these Terms and Conditions;
- e) GenAl tool a generative artificial intelligence tool that is publicly available online and functions as a general-purpose conversational Al system. This is limited to the free versions of the following tools: ChatGPT by OpenAl, Microsoft Copilot Chat, Google Gemini and Anthropic Claude. If Participants wish to use a GenAl tool not listed here, they must obtain prior approval from the organizers by contacting the email addresses provided in § 6 of these Terms and Conditions;
- f) Submission form an electronic form submitted from the official email address of a Bar Association that is a member of the FBE, using the template provided with the Competition announcement on the FBE website.

§ 2 Purpose of the Competition

1.The FBE organizes the Competition to promote awareness, critical thinking and the responsible use of GenAI in the legal field. The initiative encourages the ethical and innovative integration of GenAI into legal practice and fosters interdisciplinary dialogue between law and technology.

- 2. The Competition takes the form of a prompt-based challenge. Participants will use a GenAl tool to solve a legal case study by designing and refining prompts. The aim is to promote a practical understanding of prompt engineering as an emerging skill in the legal profession. Participants are expected to demonstrate ethical awareness throughout the process, including thoughtful reflection on the responsible and professional use of GenAl tools in legal contexts.
- 3. Each Participant must choose one case study from three predefined options provided by the FBE. The content of the selected case study will not be disclosed to the Participant before the start of the Competition. The available case studies will cover the following thematic areas:
- a) New Technologies;
- b) Intellectual Property;
- c) Access to Justice.
- 4. The Participant's goal is to guide a GenAI tool in producing legally accurate and context-appropriate outputs. Evaluation will focus not only on the final solution but also on the underlying reasoning and the quality of human–AI collaboration. Participants must demonstrate their ability to design effective prompts and to manage the AI's responses in a meaningful and professional manner.

§ 3 Requirements for Participants

- 1. The Competition is open to individual participants affiliated with Bar Associations that are members of the FBE. This includes qualified lawyers who are members of these Bar Associations, as well as trainees and law students, regardless of whether they are formally considered members of the Bar. There are no age restrictions for participation.
- 2. To become a Participant, the Submission Form must be submitted from the email address of a Bar Association.
- 3. The Competition will be conducted entirely in English. All materials, including the GenAI-generated case study solution, must be submitted in English. Questions from the jury will also be posed in English, and Participants are required to respond in English. This ensures fair and consistent evaluation by an international jury.

§ 4 Competition

- 1. The Competition final may be preceded by a preliminary online evaluation in the event of a high number of submissions. Winners of this evaluation will become Finalists. The rules and deadlines for the preliminary stage will be announced by the organizers in due course.
- 2. Participants must use their own computer, software and access to a GenAl tool during the Competition. Wi-Fi internet access will be provided by the organizers during the Competition final.
- 3. Participants must use a newly created GenAl account with no prior prompt history or previous usage when solving the case. This ensures that the jury can replicate the conversation and reproduce the solution using the same prompts on a fresh account.
- 4. Participants must submit their case solution electronically by sharing the complete conversation history from the GenAl tool, demonstrating their work within a single chat session.
- 5. A jury composed of legal and tech experts will evaluate the submitted solutions. They may ask Participants oral questions about their solutions, which Participants are required to answer. The jury reserves the right to decide whether or not to pose additional questions.
- 6. At the conclusion of the final stage, the jury will announce the winner. The jury's decision is final and binding. The results will be published online.
- 7. By participating in the Competition, Participants fully accept these Terms and Conditions, as well as all decisions made by the organizers and the jury.

§ 5 Prizes and costs

- 1. The winner will be invited to attend one of the upcoming FBE Congresses, where they will receive a dedicated prize from the FBE Board.
- 2. The prize will be awarded to a single Participant, unless the jury decides otherwise.
- 3, Each Participant or their Bar Association will be responsible for all costs related to their participation in the Competition.

§ 6 Contact details:

Any questions concerning the Competition should be directed to the organizers on the following email addresses: mdymitruk@oirp.wroclaw.pl and francesco@petralex.it.

