

Prize established by James Brown Scott

Prize Award Regulations

Article 1

Thirteen prizes, designed to reward, under the conditions laid down in this Regulation, the authors of the best dissertations devoted to a specific topic of public international law, are hereby founded under the auspices of the Institute of International Law, which shall award them.

Article 2

The prizes thus founded shall bear the following names:

Andrés Bello, Carlos Calvo, Grotius, Francis Lieber, Frédéric de Martens, Mancini, Samuel Pufendorf, Louis Renault, G. Rolin-Jaequemyns, Emer de Vattel, Vitoria, John Westlake, Henri Wheaton.

Article 3

The amount of each prize shall be determined by the Bureau every four years on the basis of the income of the Special James Brown Scott prize fund.

Article 4

The prizes shall be offered for competition in rotation so that one prize may, when appropriate, be awarded every two years.

The first prize to be awarded shall bear the name of Grotius. Thereafter the order of rotation shall be in the alphabetical order of the names appearing in Article 2.

The Bureau, relying on the deliberations of the Institute, shall specify the topics to be offered for competition.

Article 5

Dissertations should contain approximately between 60,000 and 200,000 words (including footnotes and endnotes), using font Times New Roman 12, and line spacing 1.5. They must reach the Secretary-General of the Institute of International Law not later than 31 December of the year preceding that during which the Institute shall be called upon to decide on the award of the prize.

Article 6

The competition shall be open to any person, save to Members and former Members, Associates and former Associates of the Institute of International Law.

Article 7

Competitors may, at their option, write their dissertations in any of the following languages: English, French, German, Italian, Spanish.

Article 8

Dissertations shall be submitted in two copies: one soft copy and one hard copy. The soft copy shall be in PDF format and the hard copy shall be printed on A4-size pages. Dissertations shall be reviewed blindly. Therefore, competitors shall not write their names on the dissertation.

Article 9

Competitors shall specify in the e-mail accompanying the soft copy submission as well as in the covering letter with the hard copy submission the following information:

- name;
- first name;
- date and place of birth;
- nationality;
- address;
- phone number;
- the title of their dissertation;
- the total number of words (including footnotes and endnotes);
- the name of the prize for which he or she is competing.

This information shall not be communicated to the Members and Associates of the Institute.

Article 10

Dissertations submitted to the Institute of International Law must not have been published before the date of the decision of the announcement to the winner.

Article 11

The Bureau of the Institute of International Law shall take such measures as are necessary for setting up the jury. The jury shall consist of at least three members or associates of the Institute. It shall determine the time within which the jury must make its decisions.

Article 12

The jury may divide each prize between two dissertations which it deems to be of equal value.

The jury shall be free not to award a prize.

Article 13

The jury shall communicate to the Bureau the title(s) of the successful dissertation(s).

Article 14

The proclamation of the prize winner(s) shall take place at a plenary meeting of the Institute of International Law.

Article 15

The result of the competition shall be published in the *Yearbook* of the Institute of International Law. The manuscripts submitted will not be returned to their authors.

The Secretary-General of the Institute of International Law shall take all other publicity measures which he considers appropriate.

Article 16

The authors of dissertations submitted to the competition shall retain the copyright of the deposited dissertations.

Article 17

If the author wishes to mention the award bestowed on his or her dissertation in its publication, a statement of the Secretary-General of the Institute of International Law must be printed by the author at the front of the publication of his or her work. This statement shall ascertain to which extent the publication is in conformity with the text of the dissertation on which the award has been bestowed.

Article 18

If a prize has not been awarded, the Bureau of the Institute shall reserve the right to decide upon the use to be made of the amount not awarded.

Rules James Brown Scott Prize Competition, as adopted and entered into force in 1931, modified several times since, current version approved on 1 January 2018.