

Dr. Thomas Marx Award Rules.

1. General.

Dr. Thomas Marx was one of the founding members, moving force behind and first Chairman of CONSULEGIS. Dr. Marx suddenly died in August 2003.

The creation of the Dr. Thomas Marx Award (the “Award”) combines the idea of perpetuating the name of Dr. Thomas Marx with promoting legal studies on international legal subjects.

This Award was created to encourage young lawyers from CONSULEGIS member firms and in-house lawyers members to seek legal and creative excellence while, it is hoped, involve them more actively in participating in and promoting CONSULEGIS.

The writing competition leading to the Award is conducted annually with the prize being presented to the winner at the CONSULEGIS autumn conference.

2. Eligibility.

Entry for the Award will be subject to the following conditions:

- a. applicants to be young lawyers (“Candidates”) aged 35 or younger who are working (on the application date) for a CONSULEGIS member firm or in-house lawyers members, and
- b. who have successfully submitted a research paper on a relevant subject of international law (“Paper”).

3. Application.

All Papers must be addressed to the Award Committee by registered post, overnight courier or e-mail to the CONSULEGIS office and submitted by June 30th of the year at the latest.

All applications for the Award shall include:

- a. Application form duly filled and signed by the candidate (see attached form),
- b. Paper,
- c. Summary (as described below) and
- d. Curriculum vitæ
- e. Head shot of applicant for publication (Website, Newsletter, etc.)

The summary (one page) of the Paper must provide a clear resumé of the significance, point of view and originality of the Paper. This summary is a key element in the assessment process and should not be a duplicate of the Paper.

An up-to-date curriculum vitæ (with a maximum of two size-A4 pages) should provide details

of the Candidate's professional activities, including publications (if any) and contributions to publications.

4. Details of the Paper.

The Paper must contain a minimum of ten (10) pages and a maximum of fifty (50) pages, size A4, (21 cm x 29.7 cm) with minimum 10-point type and must be written in the English language and duly signed by the Candidate.

Previously published or released contributions by the Candidate cannot be accepted and will be disqualified, except papers previously prepared by the Candidate for personal academic research purposes only and not used for examination purposes.

5. Copyright and Originality

All Papers must be completely the original work of Candidates.

By submitting the Paper the Candidate expressly represents and warrants to CONSULEGIS that:

- I. the Candidate alone created the Paper and owns all rights in it, including copyright and all intellectual property rights arising from the Paper, including the right to authorize the publication by CONSULEGIS; and
- II. the Paper does not infringe any third parties copyrights, intellectual property rights or any proprietary information or incorporate improperly any material in which any third party has any rights and
- III. the use of others' works was permissible and the original author is duly cited in accordance with applicable legislation and principals, and does not constitute plagiarism.

CONSULEGIS reserves the right to review each Paper in order to check for any use therein of materials created by third parties. For the avoidance of doubt it is expressly understood that any violation of these Dr. Thomas Marx Award rules shall result in:

- (a) forfeiture and the return of the Award and
- (b) refund of the prize moneys and reimbursement to CONSULEGIS of all costs and expenses borne by CONSULEGIS for the delivery of the Award to the Candidate and
- (c) prosecution of the Candidate in accordance with applicable law.

6. Award Committee and Criteria.

The Award Committee comprising three members appointed by the Advisory Board of CONSULEGIS will analyze the Paper and judge its depth, detailed analysis, legal drafting and

overall excellence.

The Award Committee will decide if a Paper is suitable for an award, and their decisions are final.

The following criteria will be used to judge Papers:

a. Presentation of ideas:

Is the Paper clearly written and comprehensible to non-experts in the field?

b. Novelty of the approach:

Does the Paper reflect the fact that the research adds new value?

c. Excellence:

Does the Paper demonstrate excellence? Are the research results logical and well explained? Has the Candidate demonstrated a sound understanding of the technical issues addressed in the Paper and evidenced mature and sound legal writing?

If no Paper demonstrates excellence in the judgment of the Committee, then no Award will be granted that year. The Papers and other material will not be returned to the Candidates.

The Candidates, by their submissions and application, expressly grant to Advisory Board of CONSULEGIS, the Award Committee, and/or CONSULEGIS, the non-exclusive right and license to release the Candidates' names, images and a brief description of their Papers, and the unlimited, perpetual, royalty free right and license to publish the Papers on its website, in its newsletters, in books, or in any and all other media and form of communication, including, without limitation, under or otherwise in association with branding CONSULEGIS' name.

All participants in the Thomas Marx Award contest are self-responsible for the adherence of their participation with all relevant legal provisions and any individual obligations concerning taxes and/or other public or private charges to be paid in relation to their participation in the Thomas Marx Award contest and/or any success in this contest. CONSULEGIS does not render any legal or other advice in the aforementioned context.

Any additional disclosures will be made in consultation with the Candidates. No claim may be made against the Advisory Board of CONSULEGIS, the Award Committee, and/or CONSULEGIS as a result of the contest, the Award or these Rules.

THE SUBMISSION AND SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICATION FORM BY THE CANDIDATE TOGETHER WITH THE DELIVERY OF THE PAPER AND OTHER DOCUMENTS CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT TO BE BOUND BY THESE RULES.

7. Award.

The prize will be awarded to the Candidate who, in the opinion of the Award Committee, submits the best Paper. An Award certificate shall be delivered to the awarded Candidate together with the prize.

The present value of the prize is € 500 (five hundred euros), and may be changed from time to

time by the Advisory Board in its discretion for subsequent years' contests.

8. Award Public Announcement.

The names of Candidates and the winning Candidate will be announced during the CONSULEGIS Autumn Conference that year. In order to acknowledge the prize, the winning Candidate should attend the Award ceremony in person (save in exceptional circumstances). Travel expenses, as approved in advance by the Managing Director in advance, including economy air fare and hotel accommodation, will be borne by CONSULEGIS.

Results will be communicated in August in each year.

9. Address for submission.

Documentation should be sent either by e-mail or registered post to:

CONSULEGIS EWIV
c/o Managing Director
Poststrasse 14-16 III - 20354 Hamburg – Germany
consulegis@consulegis.com

Dr. Thomas Marx Award Application Form.

Family name _____

First name _____

Direct email _____

Phone _____

Date of birth _____

Law Firm / In-house lawyer

Date of beginning _____

Year of Graduation from Law School _____

Name(s) of the Bar Association(s) where you were admitted

Year of admission _____

By signing this application form, I hereby declare that I have full knowledge and understanding of the Dr. Thomas Marx Award rules and I agree to be bound by these rules. I further declare my consent for the publication of my paper and my personal data (name, law firm, abbreviated CV) and picture.

Date _____

Signature _____

Print Name _____