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HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS COMPETITION LAW MOOT  
2024



Winning Team: The University of Hong Kong

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## Oral Round

*London, 14-15 June 2024*

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## Judges

<b>Peter Alexiadis</b>	Visiting Professor, King's College London
<b>Stephen Wisking*</b>	Partner, Competition, Regulation and Trade, Herbert Smith Freehills
<b>Professor Alison Jones*</b>	Vice Dean and Professor of Law, King's College London
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<b>Frances Barr</b>	Procedural Officer, UK Competition and Markets Authority
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<b>Julian Nowag</b>	Associate Professor, Senior Lecturer, Lund University
<b>The Right Hon Lady Rose of Colmworth*</b>	Justice of the UK Supreme Court
<b>Todor Papanov</b>	Senior Associate, Van Bael & Bellis
<b>William Kovacic*</b>	Professor at George Washington University and former FTC Chairman

\* Judge in the Final Panel

## Problem question

Many thanks to **Professor Alison Jones, Dr Andriani Kalintiri, Dorothy Livingston** and **Stephen Wisking** for preparing the problem question.



## Participating teams

### ORAL ROUND – QUALIFIED TEAMS

UNIVERSITY	COUNTRY	ALIAS
University of Antwerp	Belgium	Prechal
The University of Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Ziemele
Catholic University of Lille	France	Gratsias
University of Amsterdam	The Netherlands	Jääskinen
National Law University, Jodhpur	India	Ilešič
Hidayatullah National Law University	India	Rantos
Eötvös Lóránd University of Budapest, Hungary	Hungary	Reed
National University of Singapore	Singapore	Jarukaitis
National Law University Delhi	India	Szpunar
Utrecht University	The Netherlands	Wahl
National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi, India	India	Spineanu-Matei
University of Belgrade Faculty of Law	Serbia	Pitruzzella

## Written pleadings - 49 PARTICIPANTS:

24 teams from **India**;

9 teams from the **United Kingdom**;

3 teams each from **France**, **The Netherlands**, and **Hong Kong**

1 team each from **Belgium**, **Serbia**, **Singapore**, **Hungary**, **Brazil**, **Czechia**, **Cambodia**

*Many thanks to **Abhijeet Sinha**, **Agathe Esche**, **Ali MacGregor**, **Amabel Stokes**, **Amy Liu**, **Anne Eckenroth**, **Ben Lyon**, **Christon Shenolikar**, **Daniel Masterton**, **Lina Hamidou**, **Louis Austin**, **Marie Becker**, **Phoebe Hirst**, **Sam Tappenden**, **Sean Giles**, **Sihame Sebhar**, and **Tom Kemp** from Herbert Smith Freehills; **Deepaloke Chatterjee** from Clifford Chance; **Liana Sandulescu** from Linklaters; **Raveena Kumari Sethia** from Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas & Co; **Shounak Banerjee** and*



*Adnan Farook, Amali Pitigala, Carlo Monegato, Mircea Dinu, Nanret Senok, Philippa Allan, and Rachel Davies, for their invaluable assistance in marking the written pleadings.*

## Written Round Ranking

- 1 University of Antwerp
- 2 The University of Hong Kong
- 3 Catholic University of Lille
- 4 University of Amsterdam
- 5 National Law University, Jodhpur
- 6 Hidayatullah National Law University
- 7 Eötvös Lóránd University of Budapest, Hungary
- 8 National University of Singapore
- 9 National Law University Delhi
- 10 Utrecht University
- 11 National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi, India
- 12 University of Belgrade Faculty of Law

## Oral Round Schedule & Outcomes

	Preliminary Round		
<b>Group A</b>	<b>Prechal</b> (C) - <b>Ilešič</b> (D)	<b>Ilešič</b> (C) - <b>Szpunar</b> (D)	<b>Szpunar</b> (C) - <b>Prechal</b> (D)
<b>Group B</b>	<b>Ziemele</b> (C) - <b>Rantos</b> (D)	<b>Rantos</b> (C) - <b>Wahl</b> (D)	<b>Wahl</b> (C) - <b>Ziemele</b> (D)
<b>Group C</b>	<b>Gratsias</b> (C) - <b>Reed</b> (D)	<b>Reed</b> (C) - <b>Spineanu-Matei</b> (D)	<b>Spineanu-Matei</b> (C) - <b>Gratsias</b> (D)
<b>Group D</b>	<b>Jääskinen</b> (C) - <b>Jarukaitis</b> (D)	<b>Jarukaitis</b> (C) - <b>Pitruzzella</b> (D)	<b>Pitruzzella</b> (C) - <b>Jääskinen</b> (D)

	Quarter-Finals		
<b>QF1</b>	<b>Prechal</b> (C) - <b>Wahl</b> (D)	<b>Semi-finals</b>	
<b>QF2</b>	<b>Ziemele</b> (C) - <b>Szpunar</b> (D)	<b>Wahl</b> (C) - <b>Spineanu-Matei</b> (D)	<b>Finals</b>
<b>QF3</b>	<b>Jaaskinen</b> (C) - <b>Spineanu-Matei</b> (D)	<b>Pitruzzella C v Ziemele</b> (D)	<b>Ziemele</b> (C) v <b>Wahl</b> (D)
<b>QF4</b>	<b>Reed</b> (C) - <b>Pitruzzella</b> (D)		



(C) is for Claimant, (D) is for Defendant. The winning teams are in **bold**.

## Awards

### Winning Team

#### **The University of Hong Kong**

King Hei Chan, Zee Faith Lee, Ching Ho Wong, Connor Thomas Gregory

### Runner-up Team

#### **Utrecht University**

Kriszta Portik, Helen Wychgel, Enno Kern, Manu Batra

### Best Written Pleadings

#### **University of Antwerp**

Basile Coëme, Viktória Húšťová, Benita Masengesho, Ján Zbín

### Best Advocate

#### **Connor Gregory**

The University of Hong Kong

The following participants were also commended for their excellent advocacy during the competition:

Ján Zbín (University of Antwerp), Andrej Zdravković (University of Belgrade), Marija Vranic (University of Belgrade), Faith Lee (University of Hong Kong), Ching Ho Wong (University of Hong Kong), Milind Khemka (National Law University Delhi), Divya Upadhyay (National University of Advanced Legal Studies, Kochi, India), Helen Wychgel (Utrecht University), Enno Kern (Utrecht University).

*Congratulations!*

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