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IBA International Commerce, Trade, Franchising and Product Law Section essay competition

DIRECTIONS FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Step One: Read the **Terms and Conditions of Essay Competition Participation**. If you understand, agree to and meet the eligibility criteria, continue on to the next step:

Step Two:

Complete the online application form. English language is a requirement and all questions on the form must be answered. Any missing information or details may render your submission invalid. Applications must be completed in English before the deadline of midnight British Summer Time (BST) on **Sunday 31 October 2021**.

Step Three:

Your supporting essay must be uploaded when completing the online application form. Your essay file must be a Microsoft Word document and must be named using the following format:
Family name_first name_IBA International Commerce essay competition.

The essay must be written on the topic 'Trade restrictions amidst the pandemic – lessons to be learned on international trade on vaccines and other goods in times of pandemic.'

The essay you submit must be written in the following format:

- Typed in English
- Double line spaced
- 2,500-2,800 words. This does not include footnotes or the bibliography.
- Microsoft Word file

The first page of the essay must contain the following information:

- name of the essay competition
- DO NOT include your name, email address or any other identifying information in the essay document.

You must complete the online application form and upload the supporting essay before the deadline of midnight British Summer Time (BST) on **Sunday 31 October 2021**.



Terms and conditions of the IBA International Commerce, Trade, Franchising and Product Law Section essay competition participation

This competitions is open to persons who meet the following criteria:

- Employees of the IBA, officers of any IBA entity and relatives of any of the aforementioned are excluded from the competition.
- Previous winners of any LPD/SPPI Scholarships are also excluded from the competition. All other applicants may reapply.
- 'Young Lawyer' is defined as any lawyer up to and including the age of 35 at the time of the entering.
- IBA membership is not required in order to submit an application.
- Applicants must either be:
 - a) a fully qualified lawyer who is licenced / registered to practice as a lawyer with the relevant professional regulatory body;
 - or
 - b) undertaking the qualification process (education and/or vocational) to pass the bar (or the equivalent qualification in the relevant jurisdiction) to become fully qualified, providing they hold a temporary or permanent licence to practice as a trainee, or are undertaking a training scheme that is recognised by the professional regulatory body. Therefore, both newly qualified lawyers and trainees can apply.
- Must have sufficient proficiency in English

Important information:

- The online application form and essay must be completed in English.
- The applicant must be the original author of essay. The author is warranting his or her unrestricted copyright to the essay submitted.
- Each participant may only take part in one competition in a year.
- By entering the essay competition and submitting personal details, the author is agreeing to have these details shared with officers of the International Commerce, Trade, Franchising and Product Law Section.
- Measures are taken to keep the identities of applicants anonymous from the judges. Any applicant who contacts an IBA Officer regarding the content of their essay will be automatically disqualified.
- The decision of the judges is final and no correspondence will be entered into. The decision will be published on the IBA website. Winners will be contacted at the email address indicated by them on the essay. They will be requested to provide a biographical note giving details of their legal career, studies and professional appointments.
- The IBA has the right to publish a selection of the essays submitted, including but not limited to the winning essay (either the full text or extracts thereof) up to 18 months after the competition has ended; this includes but is not limited to the publication in the conference documentation and/or on the IBA website and/or other IBA publications. In any such event, the name of the author will be indicated appropriately.
- The IBA, IBA Sections, IBA Committees and organisers of the competition are not responsible for the loss, damage or non-arrival of any essay, nor for any costs or expenses incurred in the preparation or the submission of any essay.