

Scholarship Fund for Young African Scholars

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1) Objectives of the Scholarship Fund

- 1.1. To encourage the participation of young African scholars in the work of the ILA, i.e. MA students, Ph.D. students and young lecturers (in the first five years of their career).
- 1.2. To allow these scholars to enhance their research (graduate or post graduate) or early careers through participation in an ILA conference.
- 1.3. To facilitate the participation of young African scholars who lack access other sources of financial support, for instance from their own institution.
- 1.4. To enhance the participation of young African scholars in an ILA conference that takes place in their region.

2) The functioning of the Selection Committee of the ILA Scholarship Fund

- 2.1 Professor Willem van Genugten, who has made this fund possible, has appointed a Selection Committee for the Scholarship Fund. The members of the Committee (2016) are: ms. Eefje de Volder LL.M MSc (chair), ms. dr. Anne-Marie de Brouwer and, mrs. dr. Annemarie Middelburg and mr. Drazen Djukic LL.M.
- 2.2 The Selection Committee will aim to select candidates according to the calendar set out in Annex 1, on the basis of the information submitted by candidates in response to the request for documentation set out in Annex 2.
- 2.3 A full scholarship will cover the registration fees; housing identified by the host branch; reasonable travel costs; and a per diem in accordance with the cost of living in the host country, as agreed upon in advance by and to the discretion of the Selection Committee. Where possible, the Scholarship Fund will pay these expenses directly to the provider. The per diem allowance will normally be provided directly to the scholar once the successful applicant is at the conference location.
- 2.4 The Selection Committee may also decide to grant a partial scholarship, based on availability.
- 2.5 The handling and disbursement of scholarship payments will be undertaken by the Department of International and European Public Law of Tilburg University, based in the Netherlands.
- 2.6 The Selection Committee aims to award scholarships for participation in the ILA 2016 biennial conference to the value of €10.000.

3) Selection criteria

- 3.1 The candidate, who must be a young African scholar, must be enrolled in a graduate or post-graduate course on international law or be an early career professional (first five years).
- 3.2 The candidate must show a strong interest in international law (which can be demonstrated by, for example, a law school major, classes, papers and extra-curricular activities).
- 3.3 The candidate must show how conference participation would benefit his/her research or career in international law.

3.4 Scholarships are available only to those who do not have access to other sources of funding, for instance from their home institution. Applicants must make a case to this effect.

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ANNEX 1

Calendar for the award of scholarships for the biennial ILA Conference in South Africa, Johannesburg, 2016

Call for candidates: 20 May 2016

Deadline for submission: 20 June 2016

Selection: 30 June 2016

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ANNEX 2

Candidates are requested to fill out the application form. In addition, they should provide the following documents in French or in English:

- 1) A full curriculum vitae including a list of any papers written;
- 2) A short essay (max. 2 pages) on the theme of the ILA Conference in Johannesburg: 'International Law & Practice: is there a North/South Divide?'

The Committee reserves the right to seek further information on, or to verify information already received from, the candidate.