

***LSGL Innovation in Legal  
Education Award***

**CALL FOR  
APPLICATIONS**

**Deadline: 30th April 2017**

The Innovation in Legal Education Award (ILEA) addresses professors, scholars and researchers who have successfully conceived and implemented an innovative idea relating to legal education. The award can be conferred either upon one individual or upon an entire group represented by a team leader, who can demonstrate the innovative nature of a project currently under implementation or that has been recently implemented and which demonstrates vision and commitment to fostering innovation in legal education.

For the first edition of the award, projects shall be centered on “the use of technology in classrooms”.

A shortlist of the best candidates will be compiled by a Committee, consisting of 5 senior members recruited from the law schools that belong to the LSGL, all of which must have distinguished themselves by their contributions to innovation in legal education.

The Committee shall be, with the support of a Secretariat, responsible for screening the applications and making the nominations. For that purpose a voting system shall be used. The Committee is the sole responsible for the final selection of the award winner.

The members of the Committee are not elected as representatives of their law schools and are therefore expected to act impartially in the fulfillment of their duties. Nevertheless, in case a candidate comes from the same law school than one member of the Committee, the latter shall abstain from voting in relation to that candidate.

The best applicant will be awarded with the prize of innovative leader (*honorable certificate of Innovative Leader*) and will be invited to attend this year’s annual LSGL General Meeting with full expenses covered.

Ideally, the award should be granted to a person responsible for the implementation of an innovative idea at one of League’s law schools. Nevertheless, schools are the ones responsible for the nomination of specific innovative initiatives and, therefore, are expected to identify and keep track of all innovation taking place inside their institution, since they should not be able to nominate more than one initiative at any given year. Therefore, only one person leading a single project may be nominated as an innovative leader representative per school.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

The award will consider nominations of innovative staff, to be called Innovative Leaders once nominated, who have proven by submission of a candidacy that they have an innovative project currently under implementation and a vision and commitment to fostering innovation in legal education and who fulfill any or all of the following criteria:

1. The innovative leader has been part of the staff of any of the law schools of the LSGL for at least six months;
2. The innovative leader can demonstrate the influence he or she has had on different levels of his or her law schools' innovative project conception or implementation;
3. The innovative leader has currently been developing (implementing) or has developed (or implemented) a project related to innovation on legal education for at least six months in any of the law schools of the LSGL.

### **Evaluation Criteria:**

The Committee will select most innovative project based on the following criteria:

- (i) novelty
- (ii) impact
- (iii) portability/replicability across different jurisdictions

### **Procedure:**

The deadline for applications is 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017. Proposals will be judged by a committee comprised of members of five League partners.

Applications should be sent to: [esraozcan@ku.edu.tr](mailto:esraozcan@ku.edu.tr) and [isabel.garces@ie.edu](mailto:isabel.garces@ie.edu)

The applicants should send two documents IN PDF:

- One document with the title of the proposal, the proposal itself and a pseudonym.
- A second document with the title, the pseudonym, and a reference with the author names, their affiliations and email addresses.

The committee members will received only the first document.

The winning proposal shall be announced by the end of May.

### **Presentation of the award :**

The official presentation of the award will take place at the LSGL General Meeting on 20 July 2017 in Mexico City.

ILEA award is to be granted exclusively to leaders connected to the Law Schools that are part of the LSGL. For leaders implementing innovative projects outside of the League, different awards and calls for application will be circulated shortly.

Further information can be found on the [LSGL website](#).

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