

# ESSAY COMPETITION ON THE QUESTION OF SOVEREIGNTY OVER THE FALKLANDS (MALVINAS)



16 December 2015 marked the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the adoption of UNGA Resolution 2065, which was the first General Assembly's resolution to address specifically the question of the Falklands (Malvinas). By Resolution 2065 the Assembly noted the existence of a sovereignty dispute over those territories between the UK and Argentina and recommended both States to negotiate the settlement of the dispute. The resolution is still awaiting implementation, as the dispute remains unsettled and there are no negotiations going on.

## ESSAY TOPIC:

*How can the sovereignty dispute over the Falklands (Malvinas) be settled?*

Some of the issues papers could address might include:

- How to break the stalemate in the negotiations.
- Insights that can be gained from efforts and achievements to settle other territorial sovereignty disputes.
- Terms of arrangement.
- Solution by arbitration or judicial settlement.

## **ESSAY REQUIREMENTS:**

- Style: academic, footnoted papers.
- Length: 7,000 to 8,000 words (including footnotes)
- Format: Word document.
- Language: English.
- The essay must be titled and anonymous.
- Essays must be original and unpublished.
- Essays must be written by one person. Co-authored essays are not accepted.

The competition is open to bachelor's and master's students from universities based in the European Union and EFTA.

## **HOW TO PARTICIPATE:**

- Send your essay by email to [fabian.raimondo@maastrichtuniversity.nl](mailto:fabian.raimondo@maastrichtuniversity.nl)
- Write 'Essay competition' in the subject of the email.
- In the body of the message include your full name and the name of your Faculty and University, and indicate which bachelor's or master's programme you are enrolled in.

COMPETITION DEADLINE: July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016

## **AWARD**

The following awards will be given:

1st prize: €500, 2<sup>nd</sup> prize: €300, 3<sup>rd</sup> prize: €200.

The winners will receive an award certificate at a ceremony during the Maastricht Symposium on the Sovereignty Dispute over the Falklands (Malvinas), which will take place at Maastricht University and is tentatively scheduled for 7 October 2016. Travel (from within the EU) and accommodation expenses will be covered by the organiser. The competition is possible thanks to funding granted by the Scientific Fund of the Law Faculty of Maastricht University and the University Fund Limburg (SWOL).

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The essays may be included for publication in the 2017 issue of the Hague Yearbook of International Law.

The Jury may choose not to award a prize if, in their view, the papers submitted do not meet the standards required.

### JURY

The jury assessing the competition entries consists of three leading international lawyers:

- **Theo van Boven:** Emeritus Professor of Public International Law, Maastricht University.
- **Alfred Soons:** Emeritus Professor of Public International Law, Utrecht University.
- **Nico Schrijver:** Professor of Public International Law, Leiden University.

### ANY QUESTIONS?

Please contact the Secretary of the Jury (Dr Fabián Raimondo) at [fabian.raimondo@maastrichtuniversity.nl](mailto:fabian.raimondo@maastrichtuniversity.nl)