



**KIRIMLI DR. AZİZ BEY INTERNATIONAL HUMANITARIAN LAW  
COMPETITION & ADVANCED SUMMER SCHOOL  
UPDATED CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Edition – Online**

**Organizers:** Istanbul Center of International Law (ICIL) & Türk Kızılay (Turkish Red Crescent)

**Contributing Partner:** International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)

Istanbul Center of International Law has been organizing academic events to promote International Humanitarian Law (IHL) in Turkey since 2016. This year, the ICIL and Turkish Red Crescent, with the contribution of the ICRC, will organize the second edition of the IHL program named after Kırımli (Crimean) Dr. Aziz Bey, one of the founders of Turkish Red Crescent in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. The program comprises an advanced IHL summer school and a practical IHL competition. Due to the current situation regarding the COVID-19 outbreak, the Competition and the Summer School will be conducted *entirely online*.

**Dates:**

- 8 February - 2 July 2021: Application Period
- 5 July 2021: Announcement of the participating teams
- 30 July – 3 August 2021: Advanced IHL Summer School (Prerequisite for the Competition)
- 4-8 August 2021: Competition

**Who Can Apply?**

All institutions teaching IHL may apply. An institution may be represented in the Competition with a maximum of one team. In the case of more than one application from an institution, only one team will be selected based on the overall quality of the application. A team consists of three students. Only bachelor and master students can apply; Ph.D. students are not allowed to take part in the teams. Applicants over 30 years old might only apply on an exceptional basis since there would be an imbalance in IHL knowledge and practice. All participants would have to be enrolled as students at the time of application.

**Selection Criteria:**

- 60% the quality of the answers for questions in the application form
- 40% assessment of *Curriculum Vitae* (e.g., relevant IHL education and experience)

**Working Language:** English

**How to Apply?**

Applicants should send their CVs (in English and with a professional photograph), an official document proving they are currently enrolled as students and the application form as **one PDF file** to [azizbeyihl@icil.org.tr](mailto:azizbeyihl@icil.org.tr) before the deadline. You can access the application form [here](#).

The deadline for the applications is **2 July 2021**. Since the applications will be evaluated on a **rolling-basis**, early application is highly recommended.

### **About the IHL Competition & Advanced Summer School**

The Advanced IHL Summer School will be open exclusively to the participants of the Competition and will be designed as a part of the preparation for the Competition. External application for the Advanced Summer School is not possible.

The Competition is based on role-playing and field exercises to evaluate participants' knowledge of IHL and other related fields of Public International Law and the students' ability to apply the law in practice. All teams will compete four (4) times in the preliminary rounds. After the preliminary rounds, quarter-finals and semi-finals will be held, respectively. Based on the aggregated results of the semi-finals, finalist teams will be determined.

The main themes for this year's Competition are as follows; Classification of Conflict, Geographic Scope of Application, Protection of Cultural Property, Protection of Environment, Humanitarian Access in Armed Conflict, Aerial Warfare, Child Soldiers, Weapons Law, IHL Implications of Arms Trade Treaty, State Support to Parties in Armed Conflict-Enhancing Respect for IHL, Hybrid Warfare, Interplay Between IHL and IHRL. The Competition and the Advanced Summer School will take place entirely online on Zoom.

Please see [Internal Regulations](#) for further information.

### **Certificates & Prizes**

Students who participate in all the Advanced IHL Summer School lectures and take part in the Competition will be awarded two separate certificates of attendance. The most progressed, runner-up and winning team members, and the best speaker(s) will also be awarded another certificate for their accomplishments.

Prizes will be announced subsequently.

### **Registration Fee for the IHL Competition & Advanced Summer School**

- The registration fee for the IHL Competition & Advanced IHL Summer School **for the entire team is €300**. The registration fee covers both participation in the Advanced IHL Summer School and the Competition.
- The registration fee must only be paid if the application is accepted. Merit-based financial assistance is applicable to teams with exceptional application materials. Teams that would like to apply for financial assistance should mention their request in their motivation question. The organizing committee might ask for additional documentation or clarification at a later stage. The Committee does not offer any other type of financial assistance.

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