

## Concept Note

### Thailand National International Humanitarian Law Competition: IHL Moot Court and Role Play Competition 2020

By the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in co-operation with the Faculty of Law, Thammasat University

#### Background

The ICRC is a neutral and independent international humanitarian organisation whose mandate is to disseminate knowledge on IHL and its principles. One way to do this is by partnering with universities/academic institutions around the world to promote IHL through various academic activities, for example, by organising seminars on international humanitarian law, academic workshops on the teaching of IHL, special thematic lectures, IHL Moot Court and Role Play Competitions and more recently, online webinars and podcasts.

This year, the IHL Department at ICRC Bangkok Regional Delegation is looking to organise Thailand National International Humanitarian Law Competition: IHL Moot Court and Role Play Competition 2020, which consists of two activities: IHL Moot Court and IHL Role Play. As this is the competition to select Thailand's representatives to participate in regional competitions, the language of this Competition will be English.

#### Objectives

The key objectives of the Competition are;

1. To select the Thai representatives to participate in the Regional IHL Moot Court Competition;
2. To select the Thai representative who will receive support from the ICRC to participate in the 2021 edition Jean-Pictet Competition;
3. To disseminate the international humanitarian law and its principles. In this regard, the participants will take on various roles involved in simulated humanitarian situations, and
4. To create a greater partnership between ICRC and partner university and create a network between experts/academics.

#### Date and Time

The Competition will take place on **10<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> October 2020** (Saturday – Sunday).

## **Venue**

Faculty of Law, Thammasat University, Tha Prachan Campus

## **Organisers**

The Competition is co-organised by the Faculty of Law, Thammasat University and The International Committee of the Red Cross.

## **Detail of the Competition**

The Competition will take place at the Faculty of Law, Thammasat University by the financial support from the ICRC in organising the Competition. The support will be in the agreement (Financial Assistance Agreement) between the ICRC and the Faculty of Law, Thammasat University.

## **Format of the Competition**

### *Role Play*

The first day of the Competition will focus on Role Play. Each session will take approximately 60 to 90 minutes, this segment of the Competition will have 3 sessions. The team with the highest score overall will be declared the winner of Role Play segment of the Competition. The winner of the Thailand National Role Play Competition will be eligible for financial support from the ICRC in applying for the 2021 edition of Jean-Pictet Competition.

### *Moot Court*

The second day of the Competition will be dedicated to Moot Court sessions. Each session will take roughly 90 minutes. The team with the better score of each session will advance into the next round. The winner of the Finals will be declared the winner of Moot Court segment of the Competition. The winner of the Thailand National Moot Court Competition will be selected as the Thailand's representative in the Regional IHL Moot Court Competition.