

ESCL THESIS PRIZE

Did you finish your thesis with a construction law relevant topic and got it graded in the period from the 1st of June 2016 on to the 30th of May 2017? Then you might be eligible for the ESCL Thesis Prize!

In 2012 the European Society of Construction Law (ESCL) created the annually awarded ESCL Thesis Prize for theses on construction law written during a master level's study. In the past five years the ESCL Thesis Prize has been awarded to a number of high-quality theses written by participants of different nationalities and has developed into a prestigious international master thesis prize.

Which theses can be submitted?

The jury will consider only theses that concern construction law. This is a wide field of law, it includes for example the following topics:

- Architecture/civil engineering
- Construction and engineering contracts
- Professional liability of architects or engineers
- Contract administration
- Procurement law
- Law on transfer of property
- PFI
- Arbitration/mediation/dispute resolution/avoidance/litigation
- Tort law

Everyone who has written a thesis on one of these topics or another topic in the field of construction law is kindly invited to submit an entry for the ESCL Thesis Prize. The maximum length of the text of the thesis (or a summary of the thesis) is 15.000 words. (The regulations of the prize contain further requirements for admission and can be downloaded from the ESCL website: www.escl.org).

The Prize

The ESCL Thesis Prize consists of two prizes: a 1st prize and a 2nd prize. The 1st prize will be awarded with € 2.500,- en the 2nd prize with € 1.000,-. The awarding ceremony will take place during the annual conference of the ESCL on November 3 2017 in Fribourg, Switzerland. The winners may also be invited to submit a (modified) version of the thesis for publication to the editorial board of the International Construction Law Review.

Background information about the ESCL

The European Society of Construction Law is an European organisation that consists of 20 national construction law societies. The Society promotes the education, study and research in the field of construction law. Particular initiatives of the ESCL are, amongst other things:

- The organisation of an annual conference, where papers on a specific construction law topic are presented
- The publication (in 2015) of the book *Studies in European Construction Law*, that contains accounts of the law of thirteen major European jurisdictions in relation to a range of construction matters.

For more information about the ESCL in general or the ESCL Thesis Prize in particular (i.e. the Thesis Prize Regulations), please visit www.escl.org.