

## **The Jewish Law Moot Court**

The Jewish Law Moot Court, run by the law faculties of the University of Vienna, the University of Vilnius, the Masaryk University of Brno, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the University of Tel Aviv and the Cardozo School of Law (Yeshiva University New York) aims at introducing participants to Jewish law as it was practiced in the early modern period. The focus is on the application of Jewish law under concrete historical conditions rather than on Jewish law as a timeless normative system, on "law in action" rather than on "law in the books". The case assignment is usually modelled on concrete historical cases adjudicated by the Rabbinic Tribunal of Prague. The jurisdiction of this court, arguably the most important Jewish legal forum in the Western Ashkenazic world, the Holy Roman Empire and the Austrian Hereditary Lands serves as a point of reference for the Historical Jewish Law Moot Court.

## **8th Jewish Law Moot Court**

### **Schedule Summer Term 2024 (Leg 2)**

Wednesday, 18 September 2024

As from 3.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

#### **Optional get-together**

3.30 – 6.00 p.m. (Vienna Central Cemetery)

#### **Tour of the Jewish Soldiers' Cemetery and the Jewish Heroes' Monument from 1928 in the Vienna Central Cemetery**

7.30 – 9.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

#### **Welcome address & general introduction**

*Prof. Dr. Radek Černoch, Brno, Prof. Dr. Arye Edrei, Tel Aviv, Prof. Dr. Benjamin Porat, Jerusalem, Dr. Stephan Wendehorst, Gießen/Vienna*

#### **Discussion of selected examples of Jewish law**

*Benjamin Porat, Jerusalem*

Thursday, 19 September 2024

8.30 – 10.00 a.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

10.30 a.m.– 12.00 noon (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

1.00 – 3.00 p.m. (Breitenseer Kaserne, Breitensee Barracks)

**Jews and the Military in Austria from the 18<sup>th</sup> century to the present,**  
*Erwin A. Schmidl , Vienna*

4.00 – 5.30 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

6.30 – 8.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

Friday, 20 September 2024

8.00 – 9.30 a.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

10.00.– 11.30 a.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

Lunch

12.30 noon– 2.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

2.30 noon– 4.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

**Tour of the Stadttempel**

*Arye Edrei, Tel Aviv*

Saturday, 21 September 2024

11.00 – 1.00 p.m.

**Tour of Jewish Vienna**

*Louise Hecht, Vienna and Dieter Hecht, Vienna*

2.00 noon– 3.30 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

4.00 noon– 5.30 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

Sunday, 22 September 2024

**Excursion to Laa on Thaya, Mikulov, the UNESCO World Heritage area Lednice-Valtice, (Wilfersdorf) and Falkenstein**

Railway transfer from Vienna Floridsdorf Station to Laa on Thaya  
Dept. 07:56  
Arr. 09:05

Coffee and snacks at the Hotel

9.30 a.m. – 2.00 p.m.

**Optional Cycling Tour from Laa on Thaya/Laa an der Thaya to the UNESCO World Heritage area Lednice-Valtice**

Lunch in Valtice

Railway transfer cycling from Valtice to Mikulov/Nikolsburg

2.00-4.00 p.m.

**Tour of the State Archive, the former Synagogue and the Jewish Cemetery**

4.00-5.30 p.m

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

Taxi-transfer or cycling from Mikulov/Nikolsburg to Falkenstein with a stop-over in Wilfersdorf

Wine & Supper in the *Kellergasse* "Oagossn" Falkenstein

Taxi-transfer from Falkenstein to Laa on Thaya

Railway transfer from Laa on Thaya to Vienna Floridsdorf Station  
Dept. 9:09 p.m. or 10.09 p.m.  
Arr. 10.40 p.m or 11.40 p.m.

Monday, 23 September 2024

8.30 – 10.00 a.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

10.30 a.m.– 12.00 noon (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

1.00 – 4.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Workshop “Jewish law and Anti-Semitism”**

Noémie Benchimol, Paris, Arye Edrei, Tel Aviv, Benjamim Porat, Jerusalem, Stephan Wendehorst, Gießen/Vienna, Wolfgang Wieshaider, tbc Vienna, George Wilkes, London/Edinburgh

4.30 – 6.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

6.30 – 8.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

Tuesday, 24 September 2024

8.30 – 10.00 a.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

10.30 a.m.– 12.00 noon (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

2.00 – 4.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

4.30 – 6.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

6.30 – 8.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

Wednesday, 25 September 2024

8.30 – 10.00 a.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

10.30 a.m.– 12.00 noon (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

2.00 – 4.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

4.30 – 6.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**

6.30 – 8.00 p.m. (Juridicum)

**Break-Out Session – Students working on the case**



Thursday, 26 September 2024

8.30 – 10.00 a.m. (Verwaltungsgerichtshof, Prunkräume)

**Moot**

10.30 a.m.– 12.00 noon (Verwaltungsgerichtshof, Prunkräume)

**Moot**

2.00 – 4.00 p.m. (Verwaltungsgerichtshof, Prunkräume)

**Finals**

## Venues

### Leg 2

Jüdischer Friedhof und Zeremonienhalle  
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