



European Law Faculties Association 2022 Resolution to Promote Legal Education That Embraces Change While Remaining True to its Core Values

The foundation of a professional body of institutions is driven by the idea that they have come together with the purpose of being guided in their endeavours by a common goal which they believe best serves their interests, professes adherence to the pursuit of excellence that they all wish to endorse.

In keeping with this core principle of independent members united by a common purpose and in fulfillment of the European Law Faculties Association's stated mission, the ELFA Board of Directors and all members seek to reaffirm their commitment to the promotion of legal education while recognizing the challenges and opportunities of the present day and the times to come.

Whereas change is the law of life, a fundamental truth that affects legal education and the workings of lawful society in equal measure, and all who respect it, shall likewise be respected while all who disregard it shall forfeit their advantage and labour against the odds;

Whereas the welfare of all people who do not wish to be separated from law and justice rests on the recognition of the mutuality of rights and obligations and is further predicated on safety and security, self-determination, and reciprocal tolerance of differences;

Whereas the overriding aim of legal counsel is to exercise honesty, integrity and due consideration in aiding members of the public who have come into conflict with the law or a fellow member of the public;

Whereas the challenges that lie ahead are multiple and varied, including environmental, geopolitical, societal and economic, but are matched by our perseverance in overcoming difficulties and turning adversity into opportunity.

Now, therefore be it resolved to promote legal education that embraces change while remaining true to the core values espoused by the European Law Faculties Association: humanity above instrumentality, public interest above private gain, fairness above partiality, accountability above expediency, and excellence to the exclusion of all mediocrity.

Signatories