



# ANNOUNCEMENT FOR THE MANFRED LACHS SPACE LAW MOOT COURT COMPETITION FOR 2025

**CAPACITY BUILDING IN SPACE REGULATION**

**15<sup>th</sup> AFRICA REGIONAL ROUND**  
of the  
**MANFRED LACHS SPACE LAW MOOT COURT  
COMPETITION**

**22-23 May 2025**



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# Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition

Calendar: Africa Region



**Admetus (Applicant) vs. Cronus (Respondent)**

**Case Concerning “The Legality of Space Activities in Conflicts**

AFRICAN REGION	
06 December 2024	Registration Deadline: African Region (Note that there is NO any registration fees)
17 January 2025	Deadline for Submission of Requests for Clarifications
30 January 2025	Deadline for the Author of the Problem to give Response to Requests for Clarifications
<b>17 – 21 March 2025</b> <b>The week reserved for the National Rounds for the Country-Level Competitions</b>	
28 March 2025	Deadline for Memorials: African Region
22 – 23 May 2025	Regional Oral Rounds, All options or participation to be exhausted <i>Only Judges will meet at the SANSA and ONLINE</i>
19 June 2025	Deadline for Submission of Written Memorials for World Finals by Regional Winners
The 76th <b>International Astronautical Congress (IAC)</b> , scheduled for 29 September-3 October 2025 in Sydney, Australia	Oral Rounds of Semi-Finals (in-person)



The 2024 Winners of the Regional Rounds of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition 2024 was the Midlands State University(MSU) from Zimbabwe, who represented Africa at the World Finals.

From left to right: National Coordinator Ms Beauler Whozhele, Students: Watson Somerai, Grace Charumbira, Team Coach : Mr.Claudios Makwara, Ms Siphathisiwe Lunga and Adv Lulekwa Makapela of CSIR;(NEOSS) South Africa.

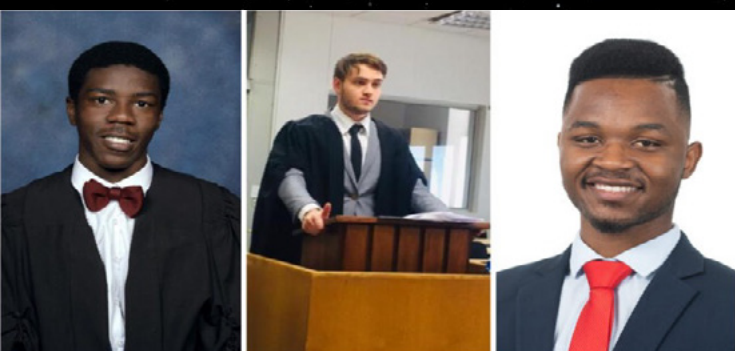




*Ruvimbo Samanga (Middle) with the winning Students from the University of Pretoria, South Africa - Winners of Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition World final 2018*



*University of Calabar students, who won the Semi-Finals of the 2019 Manfred Lachs Space Law Competition against the McGill University team which represented the North America region.*



*On the 3rd of July, 2020, the University of Pretoria was announced as the African Regional Round Winners with Team Members: Simon Motshweni, Nicholas du Toit and Kgomela Letsoalo (L-R)*



*Judges; Adv's Icho Matlou & Lulu Makapela with Regional Coordinator (Ms Majaja) in the middle and Organisers for 2023 from the dtic; Ms Jolisa & Ms Madubela(L-R)*

**TIMELINE:** For 2021, the University of Pretoria team, which consisted of Meesrs. Thuwaybah Moses, Rorisang Moyo, and Thubelihle Dumisa as coached by Nicholas Pieter du Toit participated at the 2021 World Finals

In 2022, warm congratulations were sent to the Midlands State University (MSU) of Zimbabwe, which was participating for the first time, for taking the Africa Region Round of the Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition



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