

The Bochum International Humanitarian Law Clinic

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I. The Concept of Clinical Legal Education

- Roots in the United States: included in most law school curricula
- Much less popular in Europe
- Very versatile concept
- The core of the concept of a law clinic:
 - law students providing legal assistance to clients and
 - taking responsibility for their work

II. The Educational Benefits of Clinical Legal Education

- Quick development of legal knowledge and reasoning
- Seeing law in practice and context
- Developing key professional skills
- Ethics and professional responsibility
- Societal impact
- Building a network for future job perspectives

III. The Bochum IHL Clinic, the IHL Clinic Cooperation & Exchange Programme



III. Bochum IHL Clinic

- Applying legal theory to real-world situations throughout research with a unique approach
- Currently 3 partner organisations

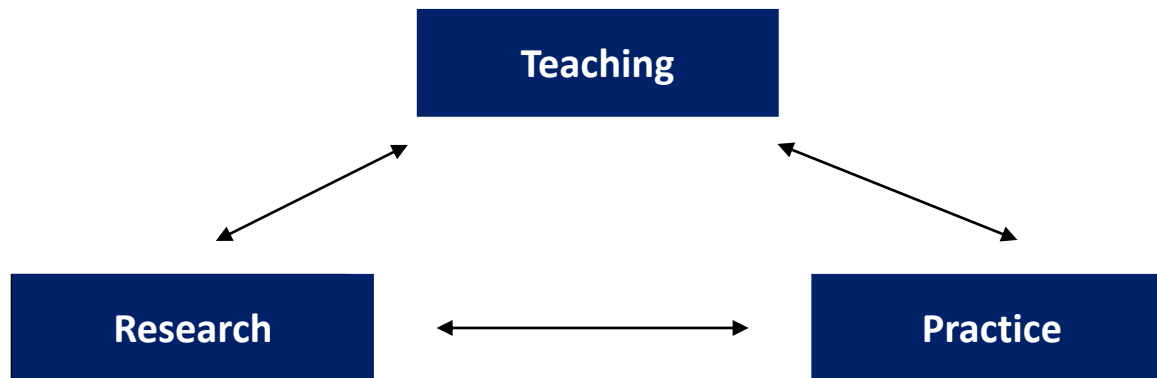


- 4 academic partners

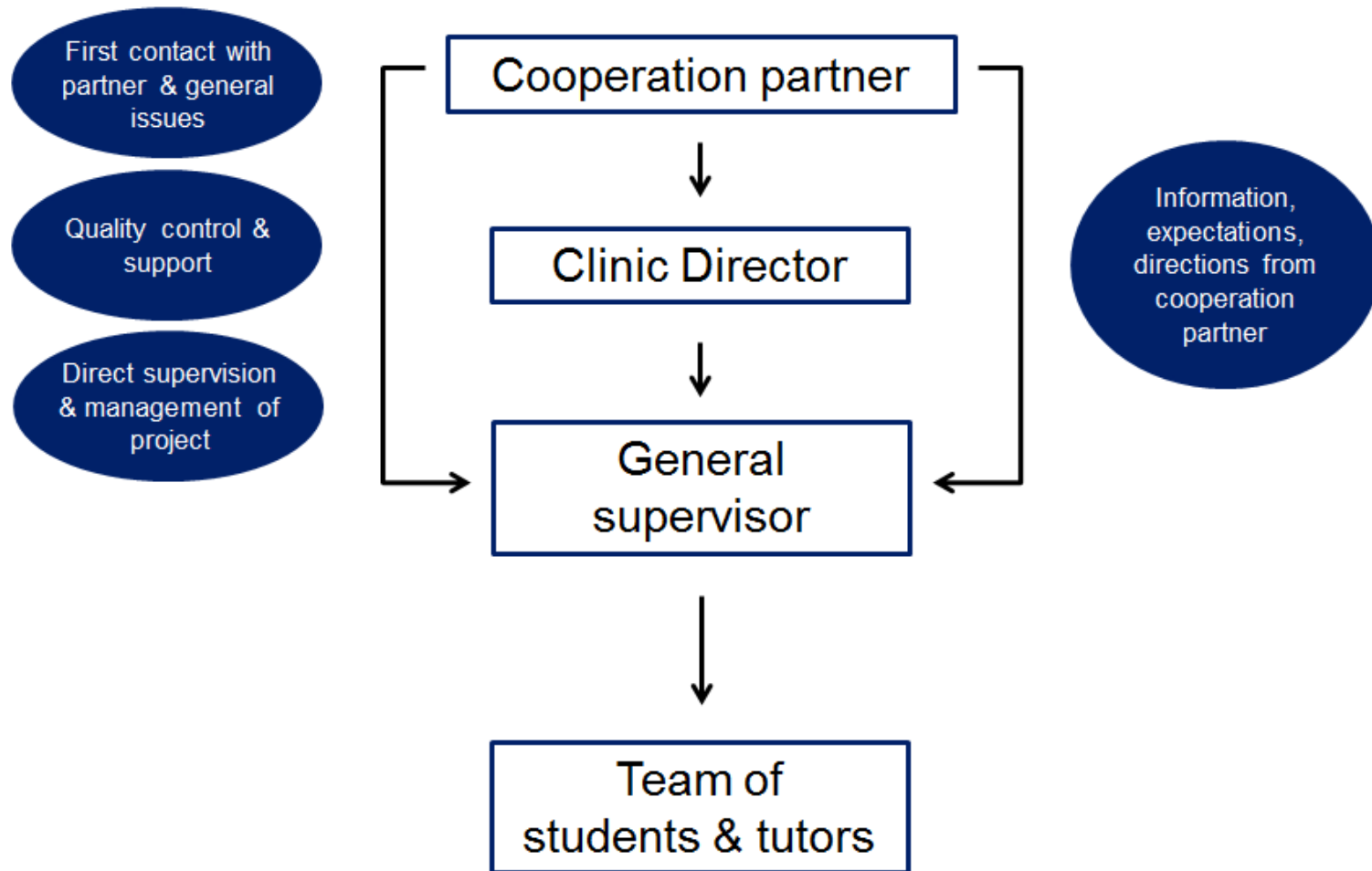


III. Philosophy of the Clinic

- Enhance respect for IHL based on international cooperation
- Creating opportunities for everyone involved
- Constant learning process throughout your legal career
- Balance between research, teaching & practice



III. Bochum IHL Clinic: Projects

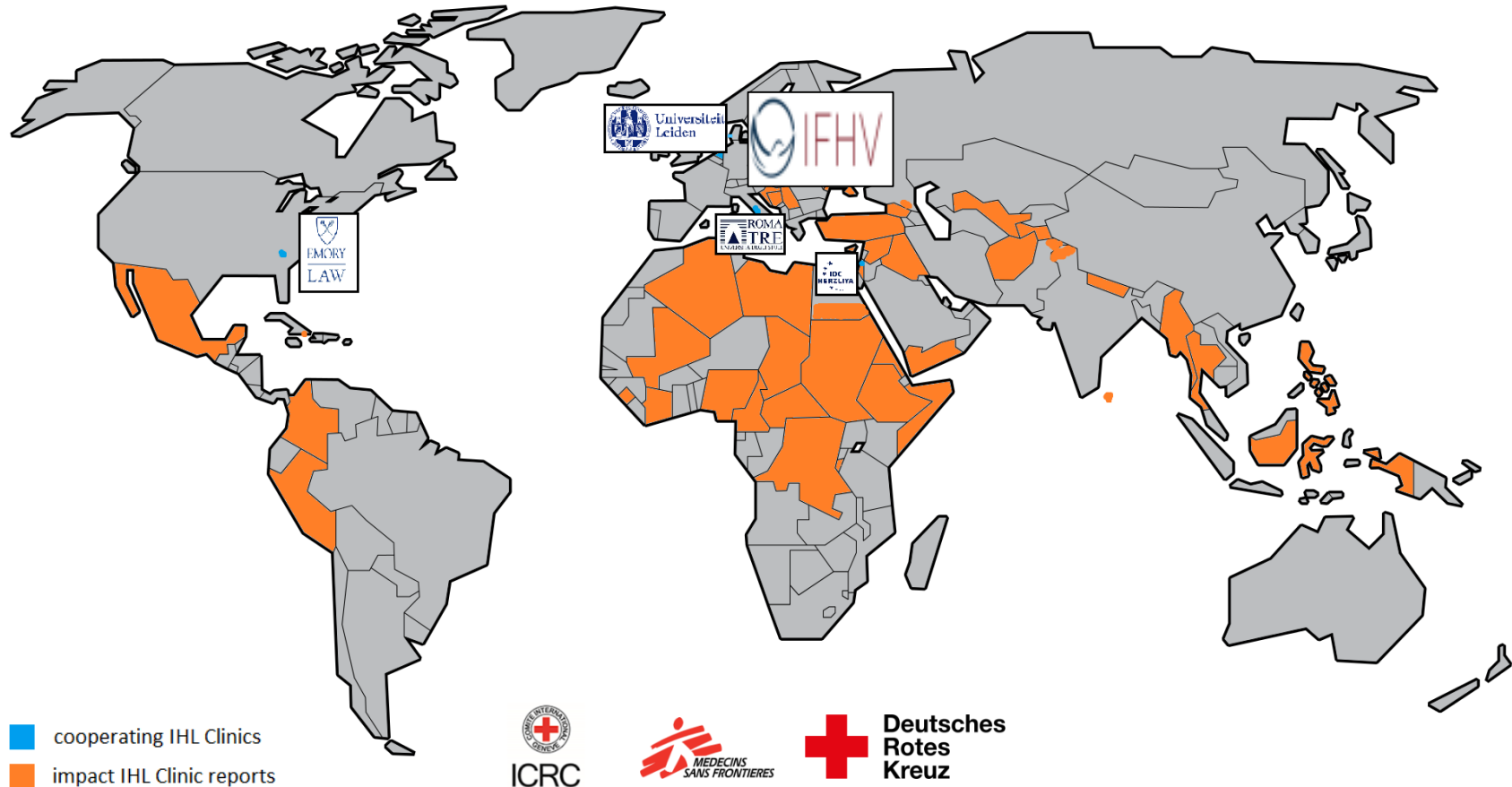


III. IHL Clinic Cooperation & Exchange Programme

- Cooperation through ICRC 'IHL in Action' project
 - 5 academic partners (including Bochum)
- Annual IHL Clinic Exchange Conference



III. IHL Clinic Cooperation & Exchange Programme: Impact



IV. The Schedule of the Bochum IHL Clinic

- Time frame: 9 October 2018 – 31 January 2019
- Four months: intensive research & writing
- November 2018: Two-day visit at German Red Cross HQ in Berlin, including lectures and training sessions



Schedule (1)

Date	Time	Description	Hours
17 September 2018		NOHA Students information about IHL Clinic at NOHA Introduction	
17/18 September 2018		Mail with Information to NOHA Students	
30 September 2018		Deadline Applications	
2 October 2018	3:00 pm	Interviews	

Schedule (2)

Date	Time	Description	Hours
Tuesday, 9 October 2018	9 AM – 10 AM	Kick-off session IHL Clinic	1
Tuesday, 9 October 2018	10 AM – 11.30 AM 11.45 AM – 1.15 PM	Law Module NOHA Heinsch Law Module NOHA Heinsch	2
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Tuesday, 23 October 2018	10 AM – 11.30 AM 11.45 AM – 1.15 PM	Law Module NOHA Heinsch Law Module NOHA Heinsch	2
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Tuesday, 30 October 2018	2.15 PM – 3.45 PM 4 PM – 5.30 PM	Law Module NOHA Heinsch Law Module NOHA Heinsch	2
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Schedule (3)

Date	Time	Description	Hours
Wednesday, 7 November 2018	4 pm – 5.30 PM	Common Seminar Session	2
Tuesday, 20 November 2018	2.15 PM – 3.45 PM 4 PM – 5.30 PM	Law Module NOHA Heinsch Common Seminar Session	2
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Tuesday, 4 December 2018	2.15 PM – 3.45 PM 4 pm – 5.30 PM	Law Module NOHA Heinsch Common Seminar Session	2
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Wednesday, 9 January 2019	4 pm – 5.30 PM	Common Seminar Session	2

V. Conclusion

- A law clinic
 - is a great opportunity to quickly develop both legal and professional skills
- Participation in the Bochum IHL Clinic
 - will contribute to finding solutions to real-life legal issues in the field of humanitarian law and humanitarian assistance

Questions?

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: SUNDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2018 (23:59)
CV, MOTIVATION LETTER + TRANSCRIPT OF GRADES

Please submit to Timeela.Manandhar@ruhr-uni-bochum.de

More information at <http://www.ifhv.de/index.php/teaching/bochum-ihl-clinic>

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