

Quarterly Report

January – March 2020



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16.01.2020

The Refugee Consumer: Paradoxes of Everyday Life

Signe and Julia were in December 2019 at the Conference „The Refugee Consumer: Paradoxes of Everyday Life“. Topics were the Flight and Migration from a new perspective: the influences on the consumerism, and especially on the nutrition as well as its importance in daily life. The protocol was created and sent to all members by Julia and Signe on January 16, 2020.

17.01.2020

Network Meeting in „AndersROOM“

Julia and Semih were on January 17, 2020, at the Network Meeting in „AndersROOM“ because of a potential membership in the Network against Discrimination Siegen. Thus, the RLC Siegen is a member of this network now, which exists out of different actors in the district Siegen-Wittgenstein. Within this context, there was an article of the RLC Siegen planned. Unfortunately, because of uncertainties with the appointment, the article was not printed. Now, we can publish an article next year instead.

28.01.2020

Training in „Modernization of Asylum Law“

The first Training in 2020 was on January 28 to the topic „Modernization in Asylum Law“. In this workshop, the participants were informed by the newest changes of asylum law, which are important in our consultancy work. This training was a must-attend event and especially focused on current consultants as well as all other interested members and externals.

30.01.2020

1. Supervision

On 30.01.2020 our first Supervision of 2020 was taken place. Supervision is a must-attend meeting for our consultants because they get advice from a legal perspective from our Supervisor Thomas Molsberger, attorney-at-law.

30.01.2020

1. Regular's Table

The first regular table in 2020 was taken place on January 30 at Opa Adam. Besides snacks and drinks, we had nice conversations.

07.02.2020

Signature Update

We refrain from our long signature and took a new, short and clear version. Please have look at it:



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Homepage Update

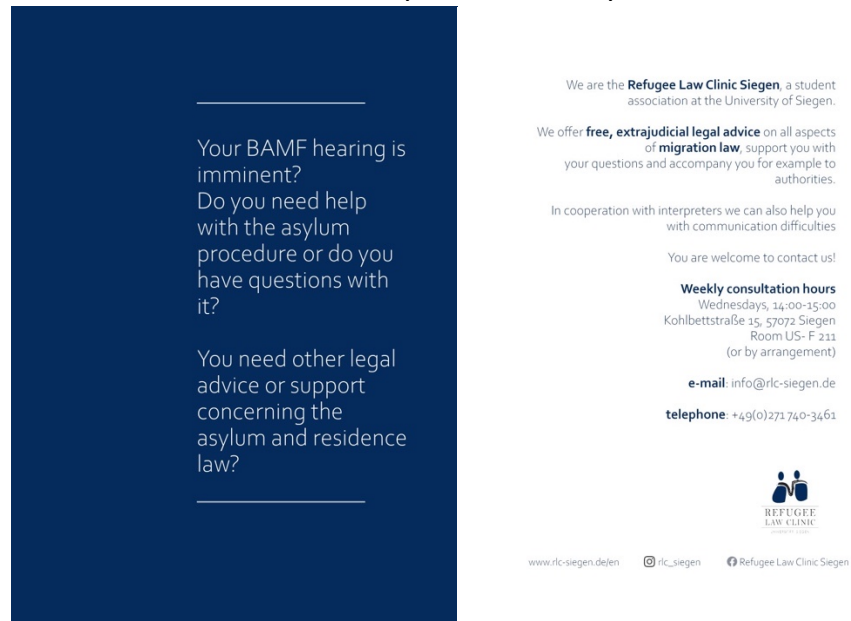
„Also, in our semester break, we are working for you 💪 and we have updated our website to a new design! From now on, you can see our consultants online already. 🙋 Very stylish!“



10.02.2020

New Flyers

As advertising materials to acquire new clients, Hannah designed and ordered new and innovative flyers on February 10.



17.02.2020

Financing through AStA, AKF, and Stupa of the University of Siegen

Signe, Dominik, and Janina have met to create a new statute for the Refugee Law Clinic Siegen as a student Initiative. After reviewing this statute, they will make an application to AStA, AKF, and Stupa at the University of Siegen to finance the Initiative.

17.02.2020

1. (Extended) Board Meeting

In 2020, the first (extended) Board Meeting was taken place on February 27. We talked about a lot of topics, e.g. the upcoming board voting at the next general meeting. Furthermore, a board and a Student Assistants Report were following. Also, the departments Education, Data Protection, Financials and Membership Administration, Internal Organization, Networking, and Public Relations were gone through. Additionally, we decided to found a new resort: Fundraising. Come join us and have a look at our work in one or more departments!

05.03.2020

Application for the support of two Student Assistant Jobs

Nathalie and Christian Gerhus made an application to get the support of two Student Assistant Jobs. Those were decided positive from April 15, 2020, to March 31, 2021.

12.03.2020

Membership in the umbrella association of student legal consulting



As of March 12, 2020, the Refugee Law Clinic Siegen e.V. is a member of the umbrella association of student legal consulting. Because of this, we will get advantages from networks, representation of interests and support as well as the division of labor.

22.02.2020

Conference „ Digitalization and Data Protection in Human Rights Work“

On February 22, 2020, the conference „Digitalization and Data Protection in Human Rights Work“ of the Law&Orga Team of all RLCs in Germany took place in Hannover. 13 RLCs from whole Germany came to Hannover; RLC Siegen was represented by Hannah. Important aspects of data protection in client work were discussed and all the RLCs were giving individual feedback to the System Law&Orga.

The management system of files and organization Law&Orga shall ensure an easier and better consulting as well as organization work. Also, data protection compliance shall be guaranteed. Therefore, they worked on new components in the system and discussed about encryption at the meeting. Thereby, many exciting talks took place with other RLCs and an inspired exchange about the whole RLC work was happening next to nice food.



27.02.2020

Data Protection Workshop

On February 27, 2020, a Data Protection Workshop took place. Hannah is our data protection officer and she gave the RLC members an overview of data protection and tips for data protection compliant working with clients. The workshop will be repeated in the summer semester, therefore, all consultants can participate, if they haven't already.



Work Meeting

Following, a work meeting took place. We discussed general news, new projects, and new ideas.



2. Regular's Table

In the evening, we had our regular table at Opa Adam with tasty food and delicious drinks as well as nice talks. We are excited to see new faces – please come and join us! 😊

05.03.2020

Supervision

On March 05, 2020, the next Supervision with Thomas Molsberger, attorney-at-law, took place to discuss current cases. From now on, we agree with individual phone calls with him because of the Corona Virus.

09.03.2020

Webinar „Public Relations Work for RLCs with the help of Social Media“

Single consultants and members have participated in the webinar of the umbrella association RLC Germany on March 09, 2020, with the topic „Public Relations Work for RLCs with the help of Social Media“. This webinar will be accepted as a must-attend event by the Department of Education for our consultants.

15.03.2020

Case Studies Summer Semester 2020

For the following training cycle of the summer semester 2020, we have planned case studies, which will be held by one or more active consultants. Because of this, we are looking for some volunteers, who agree to talk about case studies with our trainees. This can be regular or only one appointment. The case studies help our trainees to get into client work early and to get the first contact with our current members.

17.03.2020

General Meeting

We have planned a general meeting on April 07, 2020, with planned changes to the statute and board voting. But because of the Corona Virus, we had to decline the general meeting on March 17, 2020. Currently, the board of the RLC is discussing about a digital solution or about waiting until Corona Virus is beaten. The decision depends on the approach of the University of Siegen, which will be decided in the middle of April.

Consultation Hours

Unfortunately, our weekly consultation hours - Wednesdays, from 14:00 to 15:00 - were canceled as well. But you can reach us via e-mail anyway.

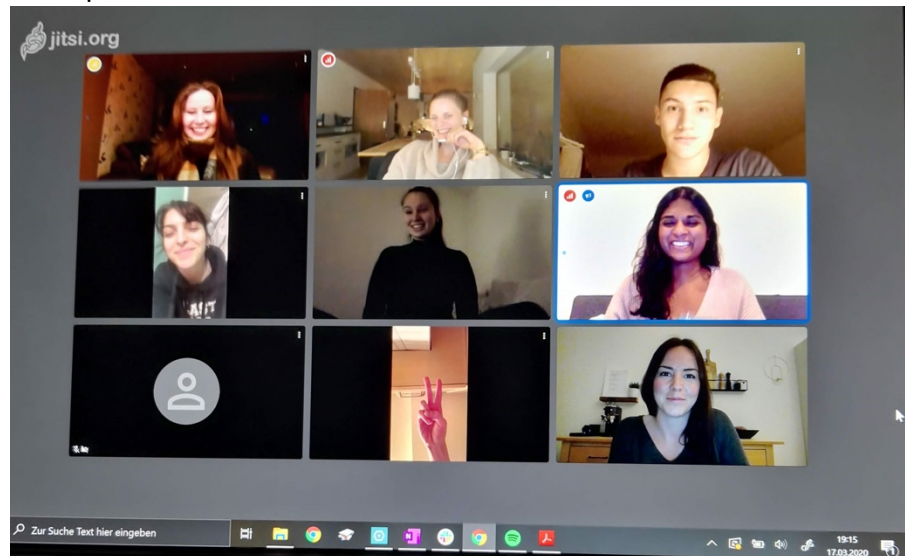


17.03.2020

3. Work Meeting

What is a Work Meeting? – At a Work Meeting, we primarily want to inform all members about current and plant projects as well as about daily business. Everybody is wanted to bring up new ideas and improvements! Different from board meetings, a work meeting is less formal and the atmosphere is easy.

We are working also with **#stayhome** and **#socialdistancing** anyway. Our work meeting on March 17, 2020, was taken place digital because of the Corona Virus – our conclusion: It was working very well! Maybe, it is possible to welcome more members in our meeting next to personal presence.



21.03.2020

Webinar „Communication in the team – good coexistence, competent conflict resolution“

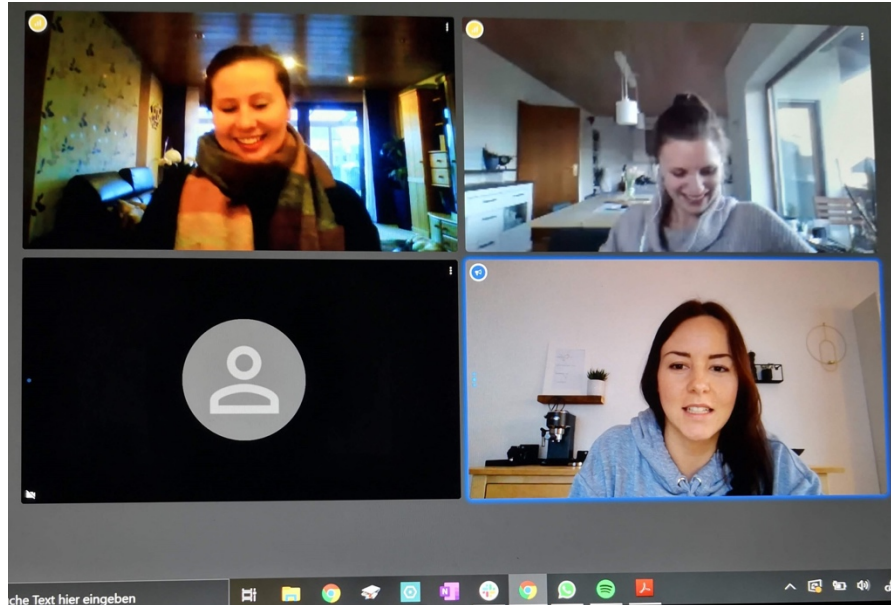
Single consultants and members participated in a webinar of the umbrella association of the RLC Germany on March 21, 2020, with the topic „Communication in the team – good coexistence, competent conflict resolution“. This webinar will be accepted as a must-attend event by the Department of Education for our consultants.

The speakers were Katrin Nandelstädt and Marc Schneider. In this webinar, the focus was on a good coexistence and competent conflict resolution in a team. The first successful part of this webinar was in March, the second follows in May. Research aspects for an appreciating communication and principles of successful team communication were discussed. We were able to address some of our wished, questions and suggestions with participants from other RLCs as well as with the speakers and we are already excited to participate in the second webinar.

17.03.2020

Meeting of the Department of Public Relations

The last Meeting of the Department of Public Relations was taken place on digital as well. Current activities were discussed, especially the Instagram Account shall demonstrate more presence.



25.03.2020

Online Meeting „Best Practices – Corona Hacks: Consulting virtually instead of virally“

On March 25, 2020, Janina was participating in the online meeting with the topic „Best Practices – Corona Hacks: Consulting virtually instead of virally“. The Focus was e.g. how the consulting of our clients work in these days now as well as Best Practices from other RLCs. Some of the RLCs consult via phone, e-mail and online clients (Skype, Zoom, Jitsi, FaceTime...).

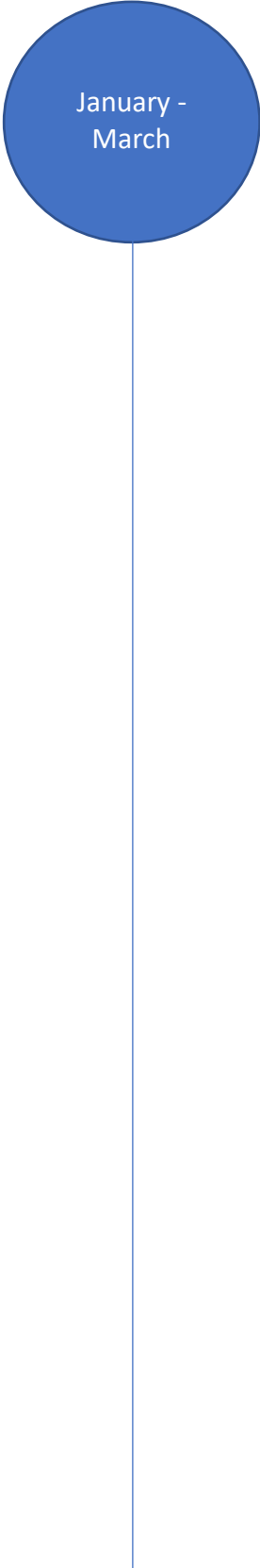
31.03.2020

Insurance

The board has terminated the Allcura Insurance (professional liability insurance for our consultants and organizational members of the RLC Siegen). Instead of this, Janina accepted an offer over the DSR from the HDI Insurance. The Insurance of Allcura will expire on June 30, 2020, and the HDI starts on July 01, 2020.

Data Protection Workshop for the board & Student Assistants

Hannah has given a special data protection workshop for the board and the Student Assistants on March 31, 2020. Furthermore, the intra-net Law&Orga and the following procedures in the RLC Siegen were discussed. The Board and Student Assistants have decided that the following work and board meetings will take place digitally. The General Meeting maybe as well, but this depends on the decision of the University of Siegen.



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Education

We have a weekly digital meeting in our department. Thereby, we discuss topics like planning new workshops and training as well as the support of the training cycle. Instead of the usual exam in asylum and residence law, this semester we offer a term paper because of the Corona Virus. With this, we can make sure that all consultants get the necessary expertise. We welcome new members to our team as soon as their term papers are corrected and passed.

Fundraising

The foundation of this department is in construction at the moment. Sarah, Ruksana, Alex, Luca, Devrim, and Yannick are interested and already talked about it. Furthermore, a webinar from the umbrella association of the RLC Germany is planned for „Fundraising“ in April/Mai. This webinar will be accepted as a must-attend event by the Department of Education for our consultants.

Internal Organization

The team of the department of internal organization is working on further games nights, excursions, etc. The Intranet will be extended more and more from our programmers of the RLC Munich, thus all of our documents can be uploaded there instead of in the Dropbox soon. Furthermore, the department is planning a big event for all members.

Membership Administration

The first voluntary Certificates for our active members were created by Janina. You are an active member and you need a certificate for your next application anywhere? – Please let us know by Finanzen@RLC-Siegen.de. Besides, it is possible that the members of the RLC can credit their activities at the RLC Siegen as a mandatory internship in their studies. For this, they need to „work“ 160 hours in the RLC to credit one month of internship.

Networking

The Department of Networking is planning a meeting with the Integration Actors of Siegen to get more connections. Because of the Corona Virus, it is at the moment not foreseeable when this will happen. Furthermore, the Department of Networking is looking for new members, who like to travel and communicate a lot.

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Public Relations

In addition to the earlier mentioned articles, different posts were placed in the social networks: regular stories on Facebook and Instagram to exceed the prominence of the RLC Siegen. At the moment, we have 178 subscribers on Facebook and 134 subscribers on Instagram. Furthermore, we are also looking for new motivated members for this department as well as a new head of it.

Head of Departments:

<u>Education:</u>	Nathalie Vinders
<u>Data Protection Officer:</u>	Hannah Poqué
<u>Financials & Membership Administration:</u>	Janina Harms
<u>Internal Organization:</u>	Devrim Koyunbasoglu
<u>Networking:</u>	Belal Habibullah
<u>Public Relations:</u>	Nathalie Vinders
<u>Student Assistants:</u>	Nathalie Vinders & Yannick Koog
<u>Supervisions:</u>	Thomas Molsberger
<u>Lectures:</u>	RA Elke Dausacker

Financials and Number of Members

<u>Current Number of Members:</u>	41
- thereof active:	39
- thereof passive:	2

Current Bank Account Amount: 1.265,25 EUR

Clients and Consultants Overview

<u>Current Number of Clients:</u>	46
- thereof new:	8
- thereof finalized:	30

<u>Consultants:</u>	29
- thereof active:	18
- thereof not active anymore:	11

Your Board of the RLC Siegen

Nathalie, Devrim, Janina

And your Head of Departments & Student Assistants

Hannah, Belal, Yannick