The Institute for Liberty and Responsibility’s 2022 “Kaf-Tet Be-November” Award
For Outstanding Papers Concerning Society and Democracy in Israel
On the topic of
“Political Representativeness in the Knesset and Government”

The Institute for Liberty and Responsibility at Reichman University’s Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy and Strategy is pleased to announce an award competition for outstanding papers concerning society and democracy in Israel. The competition aims to promote student involvement on issues related to resilience of democracy in Israel.

Eligibility to Participate
The competition is open to all undergraduate and graduate students currently enrolled at Reichman University.

Awards
1st prize: 5,000 NIS; 2nd prize: 2,500 NIS; 3rd prize: 1,000 NIS.
Further assistance may be provided for publication of winning papers on the website of the Institute for Liberty and Responsibility, as well as on other platforms. The first prize winner will be presented at the annual conference of the Institute for Liberty and Responsibility, to be held on November 29, 2022.

Paper Writing Instructions
The paper should discuss the chosen topic for 2022, “Political Representativeness in the Knesset and Government,” which may encompass the representation of population groups, or the representation of issues on the public agenda. The paper must be composed according to APA academic writing guidelines, and its length should not exceed 5,000 words, not including a list of references and optional appendices. The paper may be submitted in Hebrew or English. Submission should include the student’s details: full name, school, program and year of study, phone number, and email address.

Submission Deadline and Procedure
Paper submission deadline is August 31, 2022. The paper should be submitted to the institute’s email address, libres@idc.ac.il, with the subject line stating, “Submission for the Institute for Liberty and Responsibility’s Kaf-Tet Be-November Award.” The submitter is responsible for ensuring timely reception. Papers submitted after the deadline will not be considered by the award committee.

Criteria for Selection of Winners
The award committee will comprise research associates of The Institute for Liberty and Responsibility, and winners will be selected based on the following criteria:
1. Relevance to the chosen topic.
2. Contribution and applicability to the political system in Israel – improvement on the current situation.
3. Originality and novelty.
4. Presentation of research method and research tools.
5. Reference to, and analysis of, existing academic literature on the chosen topic.
6. Meeting the requirements of academic writing, content, and structure, as outlined in the call for papers.
Students who were found guilty in a disciplinary procedure are barred from winning the award.

Announcement of Winners
Winners will be announced on Rosh Hashanah Eve, September 22, 2022.