## On the Review

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## From the Editors

This is the first issue of *Helsinki Law Review* in which all articles are written in English or Swedish. That was not in itself the original goal of the *Review* but the law students chose their languages. None of the authors wrote in her or his native language. It is delightful to notice that the authors took the opportunity to improve their ability to communicate in foreign languages.

How to write an article for the *Review*? It is not difficult, just start writing. Sometimes an opportunity to write something and get it published is like standing – or wavering – on the threshold of a new era. In the end this "something" could also be a distinguished article. At first, the law student does not know what could be achieved but wants to explore. In my opinion, the student can lean high-spiritedly forward and think that now it is time for an expedition.

Helsinki Law Review is a publication which is done and supported through the fine efforts of various students and professionals. The *Review* is grateful to the referees who gave their appraisals. It is a great feeling to notice how committed the authors are to evaluating and re-writing their texts based on the feedback they receive. Hopefully the authors will retain their unique enthusiasm also in the future in the field of jurisprudence.

The *Review* is also happy to have received positive feedback from the Helsinki University's Student Union publication Ylioppilaslehti. In April 2010 the *Review* was ranked as an example of good academic activities of the law students' association Pykälä.

In the academic year 2010–2011, the Law Faculty offers also *Helsinki Law Review* practical course, which is focused on learning the basics of editing an academic publication. The board of editors welcomes applications. The deadline for applications is 31 August.

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