

THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL ADR (ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION) MOOTING COMPETITION 29th July - 4th August 2012 HONG KONG

City University of Hong Kong, in association with the China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC) and the School of Law, Columbia University, is pleased to invite your law school to compete in the <u>Third International ADR Mooting Competition</u>. This is an opportunity for your university to participate in and win this innovative and exciting competition.

Professor George Bermann of Columbia Law School, Professor Michael Reisman of Yale University, and Justice Wan Exiang, Vice President of the Supreme People's Court of the People's Republic of China, have agreed to serve as Honorary Patrons of the Competition.

This Competition is also supported by a number of Universities and Organizations as Member Institutions, including School of Law of Tsinghua University, College of Law of Korea University, School of International Law of China University of Politics and Law, School of Law of Hunan Normal University, Murdoch University, Columbia Law School, New York University, Macquarie University, Pan-European University, Gujarat National Law University, Kathmandu School of Law, Shanghai University of Political Science and Law, East China University of Political Science and Law, Zhejiang University Guanghua Law School through the West Australian Institute of Dispute Management and the Mediation Centre of the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade.

The International ADR Mooting competition is open to teams with a minimum of three students and a maximum of six students. It is designed to combine both arbitration and mediation and will provide students with an opportunity to act as a mediator/arbitrator, attorney and client. Teams, depending upon the number of teams attending, will compete in 2 to 4 general rounds. Each general round will consist of a Med-Arb, that is, both arbitral proceedings followed by a mediation. Knockout rounds will follow, leading up to a Final between the two qualifying teams.

A timeline for the competition has been prepared and will be posted on the competition website along with the Rules of the Competition and information on the structure of the competition.

Awards will be presented in the following categories:

Runner-up Team - Memoranda
Best Memoranda
Highest Ranked Team in General Rounds
Best Oralist (Arbitration proceedings) in General Rounds
Best Team in Mediation
Encouragement Award
Spirit of the Moot Award
Best Oralist (Arbitration proceedings) in Final
Runner-up Team in Final
Winning Team in Final
Runner-up for Best Mediator
Best Mediator

The International ADR Mooting Competition is open to any law student (either undergraduate or postgraduate) who has not been admitted to practice.

Details of the competition, together with the registration form for 2012, can be found at: http://www.cityu.edu.hk/slw/eng/index/.

Moot videos of the last two years are also uploaded for you to view the proceedings of the semi-finals and final.

Enquiries about registration should be forwarded to the Director of the Moot, Dr Vernon Nase, v.nase@cityu.edu.hk

I hope that your Law School will consider competing in this innovate new competition that combines arbitration and mediation skills in the one package. I very much look forward to welcoming your team for the Third International ADR Mooting Competition in July - August 2012.

Yours sincerely,

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