



**THE FIFTH INTERNATIONAL ADR (ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION)
MOOTING COMPETITION
27th July – 2nd August 2014
HONG KONG**

City University of Hong Kong, in association with the China International Economic and Trade Arbitration Commission (CIETAC), the School of Law, Columbia University and UNCITRAL-Regional Centre for Asia and the Pacific, is pleased to invite your law school to compete in the Fifth International ADR Mooting Competition. This is an opportunity for your university to participate in and win this innovative and exciting competition.

The Honorary Patrons of the Competition include: Professor George Bermann of Columbia Law School, The Hon'ble Chief Justice Geoffrey Ma, Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal, HKSAR, and Professor Michael Reisman of Yale University.

This Competition is also supported by a number of Universities and Organizations as Member Institutions. In the last four years, several universities such as Tsinghua University, Korea University, China University of Political Science and Law, Hunan Normal University, Murdoch University, Columbia University, New York University, Macquarie University, Pan European University, Edith Cowan University, University of Vienna, Masaryk University, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), National Law University, Jodhpur, Hidayatullah National Law 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, National University of Singapore, Lloyd Law College, M.S. Ramaiah College of Law, School of Excellence in Law, National Law Institute University, Bhopal and Shantou University have participated in this competition.

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 mediation. After the General Rounds, 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

Best Representation Plan

Highest Ranked Team in General Rounds

Best Individual in the Client's Role

Best Oralist (Arbitration proceedings) in General Rounds

Best Mediator in General Rounds

Best Team in Mediation in General Rounds

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

Professor Tang Houzhi Award for the 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 2014, can be found at: http://www.cityu.edu.hk/slw/ADR_Moot/.

We have set a dedicate email for this competition. For any enquiries and information about the Moot, submission of memorandum and representational plan, etc., please email to admoot@cityu.edu.hk.

Moot videos of the last four 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 Rajesh Sharma, admoot@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 Fifth International ADR Mooting Competition in 27th July – 2nd August 2014.

Yours sincerely,

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