2020 CPR International Mediation Competition

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

1. How many members can a team have?
   
   A: Each team may have a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 6 members. Each team must have at least one law student to act as counsel.

2. Can the same student play the role of mediator and negotiator and/or lawyer during the competition?
   
   A: Yes, all Competing Teams are free to choose, throughout all rounds of the Competition, which member of the team will be acting as counsel and client when performing as a Negotiator Team, and as Mediator when performing as Mediator Team. There is no rule preventing the same student from performing as Mediator in a given round and as Negotiator in another round.

   However, in order to be eligible to the Best Client or the Best Counsel Special Awards, a competitor must perform both sessions of the General Rounds in the role of client or counsel, as applicable (once as claimant and once as respondent).

   Note also that only Law students are allowed to appear in the role of counsel.

3. How many coaches can a team have?
   
   A: Each Competing Team may have a maximum of one coach.

4. Is the competition open only for law students?
   
   A: No, the competition is open to students from all areas. However, each team must have at least one law student to act as counsel because only law students can act as counsel.

5. Is the competition open for LL.M. students and Graduation Program students?
   
   A: Yes, it is. However, LL.M. and graduation students who are practicing lawyers or are entitled to practice law in any jurisdiction, by having passed a bar exam or otherwise, at the time of Pre-Registration of the respective team, are not Eligible Students. Also, the student must represent the university which she/he is enrolled in.
6. **Is there a registration fee?**

   A: Yes, teams selected will be required to pay a USD $200 non-refundable registration fee to confirm their participation in the competition.

7. **What is the estimated total cost for a team to participate in the 2020 CPR International Mediation Competition?**

   A: Besides the non-refundable USD $200 registration fee, other costs that teams will incur to participate in the competition include: flight ticket, accommodation, food and transportation. The Organizing Committee estimates that for each team member the cost for food and transportation per day will amount to USD $30 - $40 dollars and the cost for lodging near the competition site will amount to $55 dollars. As of September 2019, the airfare from Europe is approximately USD $700, from the U.S. is approximately USD $900, from Latin America is approximately USD $400, from Asia is approximately USD $1,400, and from Africa is approximately USD $700. However, prices are constantly changing, and we encourage the teams to buy tickets as earlier as possible after receiving their registration confirmation as ticket prices tend to be lower if bought ahead of time.

8. **How should I proceed if I need a visa to go to Brazil?**

   A: Contact the Brazil Consulate in your country to determine whether you will require a visa to participate in the competition. If you need a letter confirming your participation in the competition to obtain your visa, please email Chris Silva at csilva@cpradr.org at your earliest convenience.

9. **Does the 2020 CPR International Mediation Competition have rules?**

   A: Not yet, the Organization Committee is in the process of finalizing the 2020 version of the rules. In the meantime, you can refer to the 2019 version of the rules, which will be substantially similar. The 2019 version of the rules can be accessed [here](#).

10. **Is there a scholarship for teams?**

    A: The Organization Committee is trying their best to offer a scholarship. Based on the amount of sponsorships received for the competition, a limited scholarship might be available for one or several teams which are interested in participating in the competition but have limited financial means. The Committee will provide further information if/when the scholarship funding is secured

    **If you have additional questions, please email us at mediationcompetition@cpradr.org**