



## 2019 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 Negotiators 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, the same competitor must perform the role of the client or the counsel, as applicable, in the two sessions of the General Rounds, once as claimant and once as respondent.

Note also that only Law students are allowed to perform 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 2019 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 at the recommend hotel nearby the competition site will amount to \$55 dollars. As of today, the air tickets from Europe is approximately USD \$900, from U.S. is approximately USD \$700, from Latin America is approximately USD \$400, from Asia is approximately USD \$1,400, and from Africa is approximately USD \$550. However, prices are constantly varying, 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 you buy 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](mailto:csilva@cpradr.org) at your earliest convenience.

**9. Does the 2019 CPR International Mediation Competition have rules?**

**A:** Not yet, we are in the process of finalizing the 2019 version of the rules. In the meantime, you can refer to the 2018 version of the rules, which will be substantially similar. The 2018 version of the rules can be accessed [here](#).

**10. Is there a video available of the oral rounds?**

**A:** Yes, the video of the 2018 CPR International Mediation Competition Final Round is available at <https://www.cpradr.org/events-classes/international-mediation-competition/past/2018> under the "Final Video" section on the top of the page.

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

**A:** Yes. Based on the amount of sponsorships received for the competition, a limited scholarship will be available for one or several teams which are interested in participating in the competition but have limited financial means. To apply for a scholarship, teams must, when they submit their pre-registration form, send a cover letter of 750 to 1000 words briefly describing (i) their thoughts on how mediation, as an alternative dispute resolution method, may contribute to resolve disputes in their country; (ii) how they believe the competition might help them develop mediation in their country; and (iii) the scholarship amount they are seeking

and how they will secure the rest of the funding considering the cost estimate to attend the competition provided in the Question 7 of this FAQ and the fact that the scholarship will most likely only partially cover their expenses. Teams must submit their scholarship cover letter to Chris Silva at [csilva@cpradr.org](mailto:csilva@cpradr.org).

If you have additional questions, please email us at [mediationcompetition@cpradr.org](mailto:mediationcompetition@cpradr.org)