



## Rules of the International Mediation Tournament for students

Vilnius, 24-25 January, 2019

Deadline for the team application - 1st December 2018

Selected teams will be announced on 11th December 2018

E-mail address for registration and questions: [mediacija.lab@mruni.eu](mailto:mediacija.lab@mruni.eu)

Send us: Team motivational letter, CV (Europass format) of 3 team members and 1 coach

The main goal of the Tournament is educational - to teach students how to properly mediate in a playful way (through the tournament), to give them knowledge about mediation, allow them to receive feedback on their performance during mediation from mediation professionals.

The team is expected to consist of 3 students. Students should represent university they are currently studying in. There may be mixed teams of representatives from different universities. There are no special requirements for the field of studies of the student.

The team may have a coach. It is optional.

Required knowledge – basics of mediation.

Language of the event – English.

There will be 3 rounds with different mediation situations (3 situations – family, commercial and neighborhood disputes) where each member of the team will have possibility to either act as mediator, or as the party, or as an attorney.

One round will take 1 hour and 30 minutes. In each mediation situation there will be 2 mediators from different teams that will act independently (one starts mediation, another continues) and 2 parties with attorneys. The time for the performance of mediator's role will be spread evenly between mediators (45 minutes each). No settlement is required to reach during mediation session.



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The performance of mediators will be evaluated by judges-practicing mediators.

The judges will evaluate the following mediators' competences:

1. Ability to create due mediation atmosphere and relations with the parties to the dispute and their representatives (building relationship).
2. Ability to lead the process of mediation effectively (building process).
3. Ability to lead the parties to the dispute towards the settlement (building settlement).

The evaluation of mediator's performance will be done individually (each mediator will receive separate grade) in 10 grade system (points 1-10: 10/9 outstanding; 8/7 competent; 5/6 working towards competency; 1/2/3/4 not competent).

Judges will give their short individual feedback to the participants on their performance in the end of each round.

Before the tournament there will be short lectures on mediation basics and psychological principles in mediation, also instructions for the tournament.

General info on mediation situations for preparation will be sent to the teams 2 weeks before an event.

Confidential info will be given to the participants half of an hour before the start of the mediation round (half of an hour will be spent for getting antiquated with this confidential info and preparation).

In the end of the first day there will be social event (excursion to Vilnius Old Town and national food dinner).

In the end of the second day there will be Gala dinner and Announcement of the winners.

