



Results of the 6th edition of the Bucharest Pre-Moot to the Willem Vis Moot

The University of Bucharest and the Vindobona Association for the Promotion of Arbitration in Romania organized in Bucharest, on March 1-3, 2019, to the 6th edition of the international conference in the field of arbitration and international commercial contracts and of the Bucharest Pre-Moot to the Willem Vis Moot.

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The international conference that took place on 1 March 2019 was attended by over 100 participants. The topics addressed during the conference were: (a) Arbitration Agreements: Formation and Interpretation (speakers: conf. univ. dr. **Crenguța Leaua**, dr. **Ioana Knoll-Tudor**, dr. **Ileana Smeureanu** and av. **Oleg Temnikov**), (b) Evidence in Arbitration: Specificities and Trends (speakers: av. **Cornel Popa**, conf. univ. dr. **Cristina Florescu** and lect. univ. dr. **Raluca Papadima**), and (c) Hardship: Trends in International Commercial Contracts and Arbitration (speakers: conf. univ. dr. av. **Octavian Cazac** and conf. univ. dr. av. **Radu Rizoiu**).

15 universities from 9 countries competed in the Bucharest Pre-Moot: University of Düsseldorf (Germany), Mannheim University (Germany), Jena University (Germany), Sofia University (Bulgaria), Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi (Italy), Pavia University (Italy), Trieste University (Italy), Kutafin Moscow State Law University (Russia), Maastricht University (The Netherlands), Jagiellonian University (Poland), Stockholm University (Sweden), Moldova State University (Moldova), Nicolae Titulescu University (Romania), University of Craiova (Romania) and University of Bucharest (Romania).

In the **best team** category, the **first place** was obtained by the University of Düsseldorf (Germany), the **second place** was obtained by Mannheim University (Germany), the **third place** was obtained by the University of Bucharest (Romania), the **fourth place** was obtained by Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi (Italy), and the **fifth place** was obtained by Kutafin Moscow State Law University (Russia)

In the **best oralist** category, from approximately 70 students, the **first place** was obtained by Charles Eric Swanson from Mannheim University (Germany), the **second place** was obtained by Julia Cerfontaine from the University of Düsseldorf (Germany), the **third place** was obtained by Ana-Maria Karina Negrea from the University of Bucharest (Romania), and the following students obtained **honorable mentions**: Charlotte Klinger from the University of Düsseldorf (Germany), Cezara Diaconescu from the University of Bucharest (Romania), Wojciech Marcinkowski from Jagiellonian University (Poland) and Nicolò Minella from Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi (Italy).

Additionally, Akash Gupta from Stockholm University (Sweden) was granted the **most versatile oralist award**. The following students obtained a **special award for most stamina**, for the exceptional effort of arguing in four consecutive rounds in one day: Angelica Restori from Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi (Italy), Bianca Stroe from the University of Craiova (Romania), Monica-Bianca Mitrică from the University of Craiova (Romania), Robert Cholewa from Jagiellonian University (Poland), Szymon Tkaczyk from Jagiellonian University (Poland) and Luigi Montefusco from Maastricht University (The Netherlands).

We thank all the arbitration and congratulate all participant students.

The organizing committee: lect. univ. av. dr. **Raluca Papadima**, Assistant Professor at the University of Bucharest and the Collège Juridique d'Études Européennes, av. **Mihaela Gherghes**, attorney at Rizoiu & Poenaru, av. **Cristina Badea**, attorney at Nestor Nestor Diculescu Kingston Petersen, and av. **Horia Rădulescu**, attorney at Nestor Nestor Diculescu Kingston Petersen.