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**4TH ICC INTERNATIONAL COMMERCIAL
MEDIATION COMPETITION**

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COMPETITION APPLICATION PACKAGE

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I. OVERVIEW

This package is designed to help the Universities who wish to participate in the 4th ICC International Commercial Mediation Competition, which will be held at ICC headquarters in Paris from 7 to 12 February 2009.

The Competition will welcome Universities selected from different regions of the world. The students will be evaluated on their capacity to deal with cultural diversity and different approaches to the mediation process.

The Universities wishing to apply to this Competition are requested to return the Form included in Part II of this Package **on or before 17 November 2008**. This form will enable the Organizing Committee to select the Universities that will participate in the Competition.

Each team consists of two (2) to four (4) students. Students can be accompanied by a coach and/or a faculty adviser.

The Organizing Committee will contact all Universities to inform them on whether they have been selected to participate in the competition.

The selected Universities will then receive five (5) mediation problems prepared by a Drafting Committee. They will also be informed of the party-side assigned to each university and receive corresponding confidential information for the preliminary rounds. The Organizing Committee will also send information regarding accommodation and places to dine in Paris.

Prior to the Competition in February 2009, Universities will be asked to study each problem and to prepare a Representation Plan, which will be handed to the judges before each mediation session (see Instructions for Participants in the “Rules and Instructions”).

On **Friday 6 February 2009**, the Competition will commence with a Welcome Cocktail, during which (1) the Organizing Committee will provide information and instructions to Universities with regard to the Competition and (2) an Orientation Session will take place.

During the Competition, each University will have one (1) student acting as counsel and one (1) student acting as client in each session. The team is free to change the students who will act as counsel or client in different sessions. The Competition is designed to measure how well students (acting as counsel) prepare for and represent a client as well as perform the role of the client in mediation. As indicated in the “Rules and Instructions,” teams are rated as a whole and not the students individually.

Teams should bear in mind that the Competition is a mediation competition under the ICC ADR Rules, conducted by a mediator, as opposed to a simple negotiation which only involves communication between the parties. Therefore, the teams should try to make the best possible use of the mediator.

The oral part of the Competition will consist of four (4) Preliminary Rounds on four (4) different problems from Saturday 7 to Tuesday 10 February 2009.

- The 1st Round scheduled on Saturday morning is composed of 2 sessions – one at 8:15 and one at 11:00.
- The 1st Round scheduled on Saturday afternoon is composed of 2 sessions – one at 14:15 and one at 17:00.
- The 2nd Round scheduled on Sunday morning is composed of 2 sessions – one at 8:15 and one at 11:00.
- The 2nd Round scheduled on Sunday afternoon is composed of 2 sessions – one at 14:15 and one at 17:00.
- The 3rd Round scheduled on Monday morning is composed of 2 sessions – one at 8:15 and one at 11:00.
- The 3rd Round scheduled on Monday afternoon is composed of 2 sessions – one at 14:15 and one at 17:00.
- The 4th Round scheduled on Tuesday morning is composed of 2 sessions – one at 8:15 and one at 11:00.
- The 4th Round scheduled on Tuesday afternoon is composed of 2 sessions – one at 14:15 and one at 17:00.

Each team will participate in one session each round.

The Final Rounds will start on Wednesday 11 February 2009. For the Final Rounds (Quarter Finals, Semi Finals and Finals), the problems submitted to the teams will be three sub-issues arising out of the facts set forth in the fifth problem.

- The Quarter Finals will take place at 8:15.
- The Semi-Finals will take place at 15:15.

The Final will take place on Thursday 12 February 2009 at 14:00.

At the end of the Preliminary Rounds (Tuesday afternoon), the quarter-finalists will be announced. They will be assigned a side to represent; and confidential information regarding the 5th problem will be distributed accordingly.

At the end of the quarter-finals, the semi-finalists will be announced. They will be assigned a side to represent; and different confidential information still regarding the 5th problem will be distributed accordingly.

At the end of the semi-finals, the finalists will be announced. They will be assigned a side to represent; and different confidential information still regarding the 5th problem will be distributed accordingly.

These above-mentioned explanations contain only general elements on the Rules. We therefore invite the Universities to carefully read the “Rules and Instructions” of the Competition.

A Conference on ADR will be held at the ICC before the Final on Thursday 12 February 2008 in the morning.

Finally, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:

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II. SOCIAL EVENTS

This Competition is not only an exercise in international commercial mediation; it is also an opportunity for students from different parts of the world to meet each other and professionals experienced in this field.

Accordingly, the following different social events will take place:

- Friday 6 February 2009:
WELCOME COCKTAIL with all students, the Drafting Committee, professionals and the Organizing Committee.
- Tuesday 10 February 2008
COCKTAIL with all students, professionals, the Drafting Committee and the Organizing Committee.
- Wednesday 11 February 2009:
DINNER with all students, the Drafting Committee and the Organizing Committee.
- Thursday 12 February 2009 (morning):
CONFERENCE on Amicable Dispute Resolution.
- Thursday 12 February 2009 (after the announcement of the winner):
COCKTAIL with all students, professionals, the Drafting Committee and the Organizing Committee.

III. GENERAL SCHEDULE

Friday 6 February 2009:

Welcome Cocktail

Saturday 7 February

1st Round of the Competition (four sessions)

Sunday 8 February

2nd Round of the Competition (four sessions)

Monday 9 February

3rd Round of the Competition (four sessions)

Tuesday 10 February

4th Round of the Competition (four sessions)
Cocktail

Wednesday 11 February

Quarter Finals
Semi Finals
Dinner

Thursday 12 February 2009

Conference on Amicable Dispute Resolution
Final
Cocktail

IV. FORM TO BE RETURNED ON OR BEFORE 17 NOVEMBER 2008

Name of the University:

Postal Address:

Contact Person for the team:

Contact Person's email:

Name and e-mail address of the Coach (if any and if different from the Contact Person):

Name and e-mail address of the head of the university department in charge:

Does your academic program include mediation or any other dispute resolution course? If so, please indicate the title of these courses, the number of hours and include a detailed course description.

The registration fee for this Competition is EUR 500. By signing this document, the University is committing to pay this registration fee if selected.

Date:

SIGNATURE OF THE CONTACT PERSON, THE COACH, OR HEAD OF THE UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT: