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- Ignacio Delgado
- Aitzol Asla

1.- Proposal by Mariusz Maciejewski.

The draft submitted by the Colleague Mariusz Maciejewski is considered of great interest, so this must be one of working lines in the coming months of training committee - STAGE and FBE.

The commission decides to send the proposal to the Presidency, to be approved. At the same time, we named Mariusz Maciejewski, Ignacio Delgado, Mark Roome and Aitzol Asla to work in this issue. We invite you to join those who are interested

We request the President to refer to all Bars a letter explaining the project and inviting to join.

You can see the draft project below.

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General overview

The FBE International Contract Competition is an educational event in which legal trainees from different jurisdictions meet each other (virtually and in reality) to simulate commercial contracting case.

The basis for the Competition is a commercial contract case which contains a business situation and conditions of business partners that would like to start a cooperation. Trainees (national teams) from different jurisdictions form pairs and negotiate the contract. The outcome of their work is a contract that is assessed by commercial lawyers.

The Competition consists of two rounds:

- 1. pair contracting via internet – where two parties (consisting of 2-3 trainees) from different jurisdictions negotiate and form a contract,*
- 2. finals – in real (e.g. in Warsaw) – where up to 10 teams negotiate in public the final case.*

Goals, outcomes, benefits

The general purpose of the Competition is to educate young lawyers to cooperate with people from other jurisdiction while supporting their clients in the European and global trade. The Competition helps this way Member Bars to fulfill the duty of educating young lawyers at the apprenticeship level in a modern, attractive and engaging form.

The competition will teach participants and observers:

- 1. international contract law,*
- 2. legal English and general English,*
- 3. negotiations,*
- 4. international communication,*
- 5. use of IT in lawyers' work,*
- 6. cooperation between lawyers from different jurisdictions.*

Other important outcomes include:

- 1. fostering cooperation between Member Bars,*
- 2. building relations between lawyers in different jurisdictions,*
- 3. expanding cooperation attitude among lawyers.*

Organization of the Competition

1 edition

The first competition should be designed as a pilot project. The below rules could be applied.

Participants

6-20 national teams from 3-10 participating Member Bars

I round

Forming national teams – max. 2 per the Bar

Forming competition pairs

Case dissemination

Negotiations – 3 to 5 days – using Internet communication

Submitting the final contract

II round (final)

negotiations in the real meeting – open to the public, live transmission, recorded.

Timing

3-6 months starting from January / February 2015

II edition

The same rules with more National Teams and more participating Bars.

Hosting Bar

The Warsaw Bar declares to host the competition and organize all the related matters. The Warsaw Bar declares to prepare IT environment for the purpose of this competition. However it is initial declaration and requires several details to discuss.

Participating Bars requirements

Participating bars could provide:

- 1. PR and marketing of the Competition between the members of the Bar,*
- 2. forming and official appointment of National Team(s),*
- 3. Appointment of competent National Judge,*
- 4. Finding sponsors for the finals (if possible).*

Financial conditions

To be considered

2.-Mutual recognition in training activities

Retaking the Agreement on Mutual Recognition of Training (Declaration of Barcelona) , we can think on concrete activities, organized by a Bar member, and make a especial invitation to members of the FBE bars.

Maybe we can manage to find some financial aid for this project. Maybe the bar who organized the activity can help with the stay...

We have to work more in this idea. Maybe a recordatory letter can be a good idea. Aitzol Asla can prepare a draft to discuss about that.

3.- Put in force the changes and the “practice stages” in other countries for young lawyers.

Not only for young lawyers, independent that this could be the principal clients of that programs.

I propose some different activities like an example who can complete this project:

- Summer seminars for lawyers-
- The creation of the “European Abogacy Master”
- The creation of a investigation center about european abogacy

It will be important collaborate in this projects with other associations, public and private.

The commission decides to talk with the presidency about the possibility to start working in this issues. First of all, we need to ask for financial aid.

4.- Creation of blogs on the web.

It's very important to impulse the new technologies. We can create some blogs: one for each commission With the compromise of the responsables to maintain activities in the blog.

The STAGE commission it's prepared to create a first blog with the aid of the secretary or the experts in this matter.

4.- Another issues

Our colleague Salvatore Orestano, has send information about the new deontological code in Italy.
We send this information because can be so interesting for the european lawyers..