Frequently Asked Questions

Where will the Brown-Mosten Client Consultation Competition 2019 be held?

The Brown-Mosten Client Consultation Competition 2019 will be held at the Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin, Ireland D07 VY24 from Wednesday 3 April to Saturday 6 April 2019. The Law Society of Ireland is situated on an historic site dating from Viking times. The competition rounds will take place on the Second Floor of the Education Centre on the Law Society campus. When you get here we will have maps for you to make getting around easier.

Where can I obtain more information about the Brown-Mosten International Client Consultation Competition?

The Competition's website can be found on the Brown-Mosten website.

What is the theme for the Brown-Mosten International Client Consultation Competition 2019?

The theme for the Brown-Mosten International Client Consultation Competition 2019 is theft. This includes robbery, stealing, embezzlement but not bribery or corruption.

Who may take part in the Brown-Mosten International Client Consultation Competition?

The Competition is designed for the winners of national client consultation competitions. Thus, a team should ordinarily have won a domestic client consultation competition prior to entering the Brown-Mosten International Client Consultation Competition.

What are the Rules of the Tournament?

The Rules of the Brown-Mosten International Client Consultation Competition can be downloaded from the Brown-Mosten website.

How many members are there in a team?

Each team consists of two (2) law students.

Who is eligible to participate in the Brown-Mosten International Client Consultation Competition?

At the time of their selection to represent their country, the two law students should be enrolled in a course accredited as leading to qualification as a legal practitioner, such as an undergraduate law degree or diploma or practical legal training programme, or a postgraduate law degree where the student has not been admitted as a practitioner. Students enrolled in post-graduate study such as a master's degree or practical legal training are eligible so long as they do not have a bar license or have not practiced law (other than in temporary jobs or apprenticeships) between their initial and post-graduate studies.

Who is not eligible to participate in the Brown-Mosten International Client Consultation Competition?

A person whose last law graduation was more than twelve months prior to the competition is not eligible.

Is there an entry fee?

There is an entry fee of €440 per national team.

There is an entry fee of €250 per additional delegate.

How do we make payment?

Payments must be made online via debit or credit card.

When is registration complete?

Registration is not complete until payment has been confirmed by the Law Society of Ireland bankers and an official registration letter issued by the Law Society of Ireland.

How many delegates can be in a National Team?

A national team at a minimum consists of the two law students who will participate in the competition. At a maximum (i.e. four delegates) it includes a team coach and the national representative. Teams do not have to bring a coach and/or a national representative. Please note that substitutions are not permitted. This means that an extra student or faculty member cannot be re-labelled as a national representative or second coach.

Can we bring additional delegates such as additional students, family members and faculty members?

Additional delegates are very welcome but there is a charge of €250 per additional delegate. This charge is to cover costs incurred by the host associated with their participation in activities regardless of the number of activities such delegate participates in.

Can we enter a team where the team members have not yet been confirmed?

If the members of your team have not been finalised at the time of submitting the online Team Registration Form you can enter 'TBD' into the relevant fields. Full team details must, however, be submitted to Competition Organiser Eveline Holmes at e.holmes@lawsocietv.ie by no later than 15 March 2019.

When do we need to be on-site for our rounds?

Ensure that you are in the Atrium, Education Centre at least 15 minutes before the time scheduled for your round. Allow yourself sufficient time to arrive in case of unexpected delays and to have time to relax before the round begins.

Can teams expect prizes?

The winning team will be awarded the floating trophy and a small monetary prize.

Will I have Internet access?

Participants may use the IT Room in the Education Centre and will be given usernames and passwords in their Welcome Packs on 3 April. WiFi is available campus wide.

How should people dress?

Dress is generally casual, comfortable walking shoes, warm clothes and rain gear are recommended. Students are requested to wear attire typical of a lawyer for the competition rounds – the rest is relaxed and up to personal taste. Students are encouraged to wear national dress or 'smart casual' to the Awards Dinner.

What will the weather be like during the competition?

The average temperature in Dublin in early April is about 5 – 11 degrees Celsius (40-50 Fahrenheit) Ireland is renowned for its changeable climate. You are well advised to bring rain gear/warm clothing as well as lighter clothing and appropriate footwear. It is not the 'Emerald Isle' for nothing. We can guarantee rain.

When will I be issued with the Official Competition ID badge?

All delegates will be issued with the official Competition ID badge in their Welcome Packs on 3 April, 2019. For security, all delegates must wear their badge on the Law

Society of Ireland premises. Please note that failure to do so may result in denial of entry onto the grounds.

What do I do if I lose my Official Competition ID badge?

If you lose your Official Competition ID badge please immediately contact the Competition Organisers Jane Moffatt or Eveline Holmes so that a replacement can be sourced.

Who do I contact in Ireland in case of delay or an emergency?

Call the Law Society of Ireland and ask to speak to the Competition Organiser Jane Moffatt or leave a message.

If calling from within Ireland: The switchboard operator is 01 672 4800 (or 4802) *If calling from outside Ireland*: Dial the international access code for your country of origin (e.g. 00 from England), then the Ireland country code (353), then the number minus the 0 e.g. 00 353 1 6724800.

Or you can email Competition Organiser Jane Moffatt at j.moffatt@lawsociety.ie

What is the address of the Law Society of Ireland?

The address for the Law Society of Ireland is Blackhall Place, Dublin 7, D07 VY24.

Do I need a visa?

Please check on the <u>Irish Naturalisation & Immigration website</u>

You need to make the application yourself. We at the Law Society of Ireland cannot help with this process other than to issue a letter confirming your registration.

The application process can take some time, depending on where you are applying from. So do not leave things to the last minute.

How do we get to the Law Society of Ireland?

Once you arrive at the airport you will have to take a bus or taxi into the City Centre or to your accommodation.

Our address is Law Society of Ireland, Blackhall Place, Dublin 7, D07 VY24.

Taxis will usually only take euros in payment so make sure you have euros on you. They may take credit or debit cards. Ask before setting off on your journey.

Depending on the number of people in the taxi a journey from the airport to the Law Society will cost about €20-30.

Buses

There are a number of bus services operating from the airport. Some take you to Heuston Station fairly close to the Law Society of Ireland but others take in into the City Centre. You will again need euros for this. We would suggest that you have smaller denomination notes and change with you when you arrive as some bus services will not accept large denomination notes and do not give change. Check the web for up to date information and online booking.

Where should we stay?

Accommodation in Dublin can be expensive so we have given you a range of accommodation options. (See the Law Society of Ireland website for options) We would suggest that you try to stay as close to the Law Society in the Smithfield area of Dublin as you can. Getting around Dublin can be very time consuming and we would hate you to miss out things because you were sitting on a bus or tram.

What is the currency in Ireland?

We are in the Euro zone. When paying your registration fees please pay in euros, as we do not accept any other currency.

We would suggest that you bring some euros in cash with you to pay for transport from the airport (the buses and taxis will only take euros) and then if you need cash there are a number of ATMs (cash machines) within walking distance of our campus.

What is there to see and do in Ireland?

There is plenty to see in Dublin but if you have the chance, do visit the rest of our beautiful country. Our tourist website is a very useful source of information.

How do we get around Dublin?

There are the usual taxis, buses and the Luas our tram system. If you are staying close to the Law Society of Ireland you can walk.

Where can we eat?

There are also a number of restaurants close to the Law Society of Ireland if you wish. We will let you have a list in your Welcome Pack.

Lunches will be provided on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Wednesday, Friday and Saturday dinners are also covered at no additional cost to yourself. Those attending either the student dinner or national representatives/faculty members' dinner on Thursday evening are required to pay for their own meal and drinks.

We have a restaurant 'Vanilla' on campus which serves teas, coffees and pastries and lunches.

How much does it cost to eat out?

Typically a two-course meal will cost approximately €25 - 30.

What meals will we get during the competition?

Lunches will be provided on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. On Wednesday, Friday and Saturday dinners are provided.

What costs should we budget for?

You should budget for travel to and fro from the airport and around Dublin. You need to factor drinks into your budget, any sight seeing you want to do.

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What should we bring with us?

Traditionally teams bring small inexpensive gifts such as pens, sweets or post cards etc. from their country to give to other teams at the Awards Dinner.

How much should we tip service people?

In Ireland tipping is at your discretion but typically we tip $\leq 1 - 2$ for services such as taxis, hotel service and in coffee shops or 10% of the bill.

What is a ceíli?

A céilí is a social event with Irish folk music and dancing. Never danced Irish dancing before? Not to worry we will teach you. Learning is all part of the fun.