



International Mediation Writing Competition
ROMANIA

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Valeriu Colac, a law student at the Faculty of Law, Craiova University, was awarded the top mediation memorandum prize in the [International Mediation Writing Competition](#) organized in [Romania](#) by the [Weinstein International Foundation](#) ("Foundation") for Romanian law students. The competition, who reached its second edition, was organized in 2023 in 11 countries from America, Europe and Asia.

Thank you, [KPMG Legal – Toncescu și Asociații](#), the competition partnering law firm in Romania, for matching the 500\$ prize offered to the winner by the Foundation and thank you, [Craiova Faculty of Law, University of Craiova](#), the partnering faculty in Romania, for engaging the academic legal community in this project. A great feeling of appreciation is going to [Vlad Peligrad](#), Partner at KPMG Legal – Toncescu și Asociații, and to professor [Prof. Gabriel Olteanu](#), Dean of Craiova Law School, for their outstanding support throughout the competition.

Also, many thanks are extended for their vision, support and hard work to [Hon. Daniel Weinstein \(Ret.\)](#), WIF Founder and Board Member, [Jay Welsh](#), WIF Board Member and competition chair, [Ellen Bass](#), WIF Executive Director and their team. The same spirit of sincere gratitude goes to the Senior Fellows [Ximena Bustamante](#) (Ecuador), [Eleni Charalambidou](#) (Cyprus), [Sherif Elnegahy](#) (Egypt), [Mariana Freitas de Souza](#) (Brazil), [Tat Lim](#) (Singapore), [Nudrat Ejaz Piracha](#) (Pakistan), [Zeeshan Ali](#) (Pakistan), [Giorgi Tsertsvadze](#) (Republic of Georgia), [Fernando Navarro Sánchez](#) (Mexico) and [Nuria Gonzalez-Martin](#) (Mexico) for their contributions and, above all, for making this event possible.

Finally, the most important word of appreciation goes to all participating students in Romania and the world for their remarkable effort in preparing, drafting and submitting their mediation memoranda on behalf of their clients. Congratulations to all.

I hope to welcome you soon to the 2023 edition of the International Mediation Writing Competition.

Constantin-Adi Gavrilă

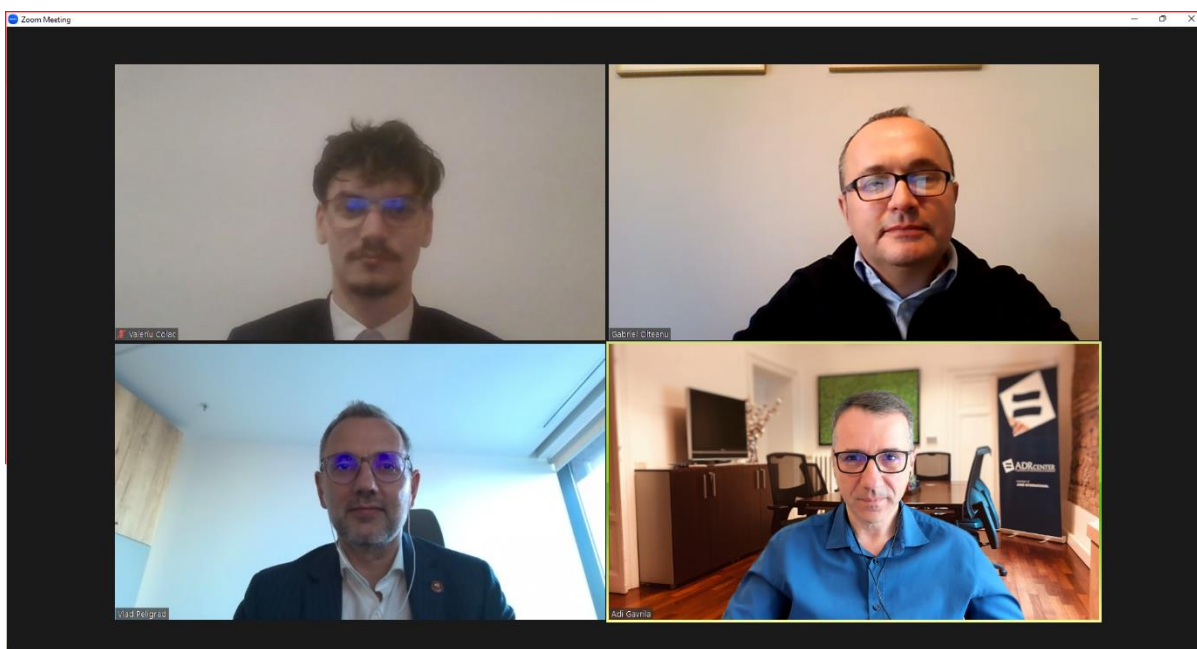
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PICTURE 1 Screenshot during Global Awards Ceremony organized on December 19th 2022 with **Hon. Daniel Weinstein (Ret.)**, WIF Founder and Board Member, **Jay Welsh**, WIF Board Member and competition chair, **Constantin-Adi Gavrilă**, WIF Senior Fellow in Romania and **Valeriu Colac**, the competition winner in Romania.



PICTURE 2 Picture taken during the local award ceremony organized on February 21st 2023 with the winner and the partnering law school, Faculty of Law, University of Craiova (from left to right: **Professor Gabriel Olteanu**, Dean of Craiova Faculty of Law, **Professor Ruxandra Răducanu**, Craiova Faculty of Law, **Valeriu Colac**, the winner of the Romanian edition of the competition in 2022, **Constantin Adi Gavrilă**, CEO of ADR Center Romania and Senior Fellow of the Weinstein International Foundation)



PICTURE 3 Screenshot during Local Award Virtual Ceremony organized on February 22nd 2023 with **Valeriu Colac**, the winner of the Romanian edition of the competition in 2022, **Professor Gabriel Olteanu**, Dean of Craiova Faculty of Law, **Vlad Peligrad**, Partner at the "KPMG Legal – Toncescu și Asociații" and **Constantin Adi Gavrilă**, CEO of ADR Center Romania and Senior Fellow of the Weinstein International Foundation