

International Mediation Writing Competition R O M A N I A

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Tamara Bivol, a law student at the Faculty of Law, "Alexandru-Ioan Cuza" University of Iași, was awarded the top mediation brief prize in the <u>International Mediation</u> <u>Writing Competition</u> organized in <u>Romania</u> by the <u>Weinstein</u> <u>International Foundation</u> ("Foundation") for Romanian Iaw students. The competition, which reached its third edition, was organized in 2023 in 11 countries in America, Europe and Asia.

Thank you, <u>KPMG Legal – Toncescu şi Asociaţii</u>, the competition partnering law firm in Romania, for matching the 500\$ prize offered to the winner by the Foundation and



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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 briefs on behalf of their clients. Congratulations to all.

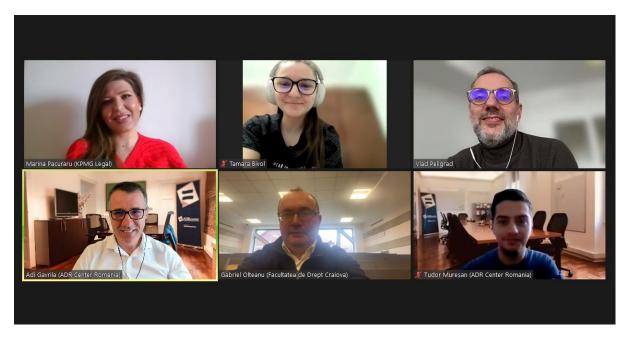
I hope to welcome you soon to the 2023 edition of the International Mediation Writing Competition.

Constantin-Adi Gavrilă

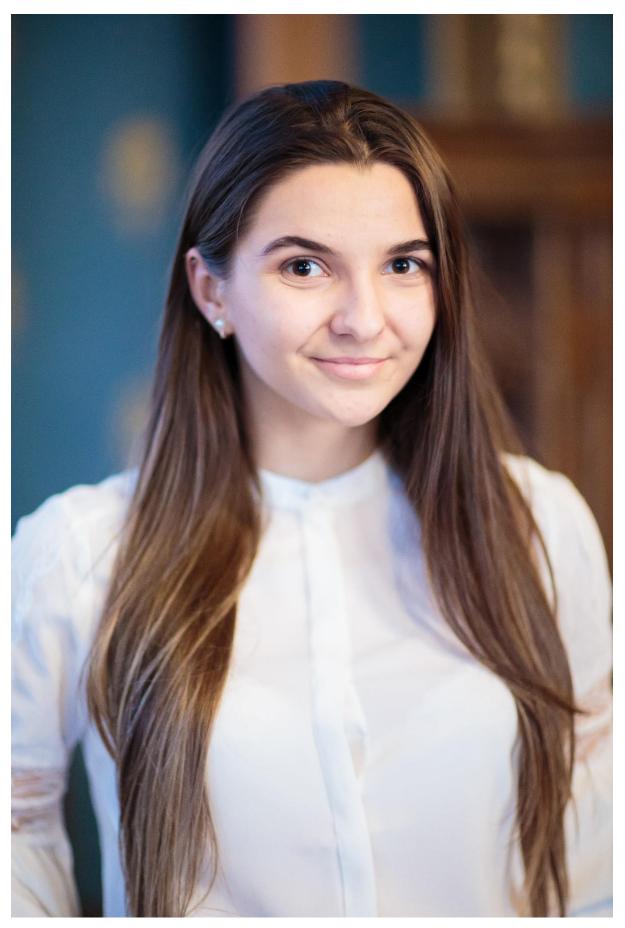
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PICTURE 1 Screenshot during Global Awards Ceremony organized on December ^{14th} 2023 with **Vlad Peligrad**, Lawyer and Mediation Advocate, **Constantin-Adi Gavrilă**, WIF Senior Fellow in Romania, **Tudor Mureșan**, the Romanian Competition's Coordinator and **Tamara Bivol**, the competition winner in Romania.



PICTURE 2 Picture taken during the local award ceremony organized on December 22nd 2023 with the partnering law school, Faculty of Law, University of Craiova represented by **Professor Gabriel Olteanu**, Dean of the Craiova Faculty of Law, **Marina Păcuraru**, Managing Associate at KMPG Legal, **Vlad Peligrad**, Lawyer and Mediation Advocate, the winner of the Romanian edition of the competition in 2023, Constantin Adi Gavrilă, CEO of ADR Center Romania and Senior Fellow of the Weinstein International Foundation and **Tudor Mureșan**, the Romanian Competition's Coordinator.



PICTURE 3 Photo of Ms. Tamara Bivol, the winner of the Mediation Writing Competition, 3rd Edition (2023)