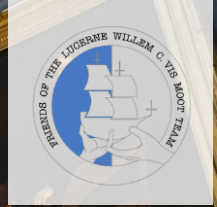


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WILLEM C. VIS MOOT TEAM LUCERNE

JOIN US FOR AN AMAZING EXPERIENCE

WHAT IS THE WILLEM C. VIS MOOT?

The Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot is the largest and most renowned moot competition in private law. The University of Lucerne gives you the opportunity to participate in this competition as a master's course (18 ECTS credits). In a team of four to six students, you will compete against about 400 university teams from all over the world.

Together you will represent the parties in a fictional arbitration case concerning the UN Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG). Arbitration is a dispute settlement mechanism where the parties entrust the dispute to private arbitrators and remove the dispute from the court system.

The Willem C. Vis Moot has two phases – a written and an oral phase. In the written phase, as a team, you will analyze the case file and draft a memorandum for both the claimant and the respondent. In the oral phase, you will prepare a pleading and present your arguments to experienced practitioners in Switzerland and abroad. The Moot culminates in the final competition in Vienna, where over 2500 students from over 80 jurisdictions compete for the awards.





WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING?

Participating in the Willem C. Vis Moot is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. You will learn valuable skills and meet many people, which will benefit you even years after university!

- **Teamwork:** The Moot is teamwork; you will tackle the challenge together!
- **In-depth feedback:** You will receive detailed feedback from experienced coaches!
- **Writing skills:** Learn how to write a compelling memorandum!
- **Presentation skills:** A unique opportunity to practice presenting your case!
- **English skills:** Learn how to use English in a professional legal context!
- **New areas of law:** Learn about the CISG and international commercial arbitration!
- **Networking:** You will meet participants and lawyers from all over Switzerland and the world!
- **In addition, you will also get 18 ECTS Credits!**



WHAT IS THE TIMELINE?

Spring

Applying to become a team member
(selection of team members by
professor and coaches)

Summer
holidays

Brushing up your English by attending
an English course in Lucerne or outside
Switzerland

September

Swiss Moot School in Zurich (one-week
crash course on the CISG and
international commercial arbitration)

October

The moot case is unveiled on the
internet.

December

Submission of the Memorandum for
Claimant

End of
January

Submission of the Memorandum for
Respondent

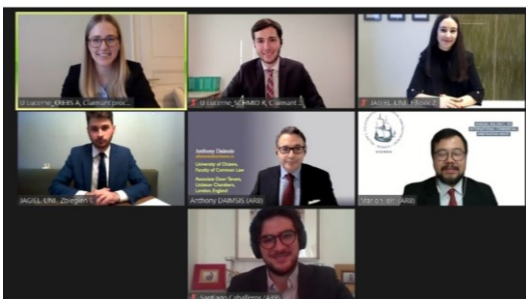
February –
March/April

Pleadings at law firms in Switzerland
and Pre-Moots abroad

before
Easter

Oral presentation in Vienna

WHAT DOES PARTICIPATING LOOK LIKE?





WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A TEAM MEMBER?

To become a member of the Lucerne Vis Moot team, you should meet the following criteria:

- Completion of bachelor's program at the beginning of the Moot (applications prior to completion are welcome)
- A profound understanding of OR AT I-II, OR BT, and civil procedure law
- Interest in new areas of law, *i.e.*, international sales law and international commercial arbitration
- An advanced level of English
- Ability to work in a team of ambitious students
- Willingness to invest one full semester to participate in the Moot. In general, team members can attend one other lecture or work one day per week during the written phase of the Moot (October – January).

OUR SPONSORS

The team is proud to be sponsored by some of Switzerland's most renowned law firms and meets with many of them during the oral phase!

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