



## FOREIGN DIRECT INVESTMENT INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION MOOT IN SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA



**NYU is currently recruiting talented students for the 2021 Foreign Direct Investment Moot (FDI Moot), which will be held this year virtually and in Seoul on Oct. 31 – Nov. 3, 2021.**

**Goal** - The FDI Moot provides students with exposure to the world of international investment arbitration. Students who participate in the FDI Moot develop a sophisticated and nuanced understanding of the international investment regime as well as the mechanisms utilized to resolve these types of disputes. At the same time, the oral component of the FDI Moot offers a unique forum for academics and practitioners from around the world to discuss the latest developments - and assess emerging talent - in this field. Additional information about the FDI Moot can be obtained at [www.fdimoot.org](http://www.fdimoot.org).

**Structure** - The FDI Moot involves a hypothetical case in connection with an investment by a private investor in a foreign host state. The FDI Moot spans several months and has two discrete phases: the writing of

memoranda for Claimant (due on September 16, 2021) and Respondent (due on September 23, 2021) and the hearing of oral arguments in Seoul (or virtually) (October 31-November 3, 2021). It is a clinical exercise designed to train law students through both phases which are adjudicated by prominent international arbitration practitioners and scholars.

**Why join?** We devote considerable time to helping our team members develop and refine their written and oral advocacy skills, which they then have the opportunity to showcase at private sessions hosted by leading international New York law firms practicing in the field. In previous years, NYU teams have received numerous awards for their memoranda and oral presentations, both at the team level and at the individual speaker level.

### **Prerequisites for Participation**

- Both JDs and LL.M.s are eligible (1Ls will actively participate in the writing phase but are excused from the orals given the intensity of NYU's workload in the first year; they may secure a spot on next year's team);
- Strong interest in, and familiarity with, international investment arbitration;
- Interest in written and oral advocacy; and
- Non-eligibility to practice law in home jurisdiction (please refer to competition rules for full eligibility requirements).

### **Requirements of Selected Moot Team Members**

- Extensive legal research on international arbitration and investment law;
- Preparation of legal memoranda on behalf of Claimant and Respondent;
- Considerable training in oral advocacy; and
- Oral arguments before panels of three arbitrators in Seoul (or virtually).

**Interested?** Please send your resume and a short letter of interest by no later than **July 23, 2021** via email to [NYUFDIMootTeam@gmail.com](mailto:NYUFDIMootTeam@gmail.com).

*Please note that non-essential NYU travel is currently suspended. Travel expenses for this competition will only be covered in the event that NYU's travel guidelines allow it. As such, students should be prepared to participate in the competition virtually. Please see further information about [Travel Advisories Related to Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#).*