

RULES 2024 MOSCOW PRE-MOOT

1. The 2024 Moscow Pre-Moot (the “**Pre-Moot**”) is organized by the Russian Institute of Modern Arbitration (RIMA) (the “**Organizing Committee, Committee**”) with support of the Lomonosov Moscow State University and Young Institute of Modern Arbitration (Young IMA).
2. The Pre-Moot consists of the oral rounds including the semi-finals and the Final Round. The Organizing Committee has discretion to set up additional events in the framework of the Pre-Moot.
3. Participation in the Pre-Moot is free of charge.
4. The teams’ registration is due 10 January 2024, 23:59 Moscow Time (GMT+3) at <https://www.vismoot.ru/register-team>. The Organizing Committee has discretion to amend the deadline. Registration *per se* does not confirm participation in the Pre-Moot.
5. No later than 19 January 2024, the Organizing Committee will confirm by email 24 teams that will participate in the Pre-Moot (the “**participating team(s)**”). The number of the participating teams may be amended. The Committee confirms registration at its discretion, considering among other factors how many teams registered from the same country. Previous participation in the Moscow Pre-Moot will be advantageous.
6. The teams who were not selected to the 24 teams will be automatically included in the waiting list and informed if their application advances. All teams will be promptly informed by the Organizing Committee via email about the adopted decisions.
7. Each participating team will have two oral rounds: one for the claimant and one for the respondent. In exceptional circumstances, the Organizing Committee reserves a right to add one or more rounds to the participating team at its discretion subject to the team’s agreement. The scores of this round(s) will not be taken into account for selection of the best teams advancing to the semi-finals and overall place in the Pre-Moot.
8. All participating teams shall immediately disclose their team pairings when they are released by the Vis Moot and Vis (East) Moot to avoid any conflict of interest.
9. The two best teams advancing to the Final Round are announced by the Organizing Committee following the closure of the last semi-final. All participating teams are free to watch the Final Round. The Final Round is not recorded and live-streamed.
10. The arbitrators’ registration is due 31 January 2024, 23:59 Moscow Time (GMT+3) at <https://www.vismoot.ru/register-arbitrator>. The Organizing Committee has discretion to amend the deadline. Registration *per se* does not confirm participation in the Pre-Moot.
11. No later than 09 February 2024, the Organizing Committee will confirm by email the participation of the arbitrators considering among other factors: their experience in dispute resolution and ADR, previous participation in moot court competitions, etc.
12. To award a score during the oral rounds, the arbitrator shall use guidelines provided by the Rules for the Vis Moot. The scores and overall place in the Pre-Moot will be provided to the participating teams promptly after the closure of the Pre-Moot.
13. All information regarding the Pre-Moot is available on its official website: <https://www.vismoot.ru>. By agreeing to participate, all teams, arbitrators, volunteers and supporting organizations (if any) acknowledge that the Organizing Committee has full and final discretion in managing the Pre-Moot. The Committee’s decisions are final and binding.
14. The Organizing Committee has a right to amend and/or revise these Rules at any time. The Rules are published at the Pre-Moot’s official website. The interpretation of these Rules is within the sole discretion of the Organizing Committee.
15. All questions regarding the Rules or the Pre-Moot shall be directed to moscowpre moot@gmail.com.