

International Moot Court 2016 Travel Memo #1

Dear IMC Participants,

The Justice Resource Center is delighted to invite your students to participate in the third International Moot Court at The Hague for high school students. This amazing program will bring students, teachers, lawyers and judges to The Hague in January 2016.

city/countries participating: Buenos Aires, Argentina; Haskovo, Bulgaria; Munich, Germany; Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia; The Hague, Netherlands; Gdynia, Poland; Warsaw, Poland; Campulung Muscel, Romania; Moscow, Russia; St. Petersburg, Russia; Philipsburg, St. Maarten; Pretoria, South Africa; New York City, USA; and Caracas, Venezuela.

Dates and Preliminary Schedule: January 17-23, 2016

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Sunday, 17 January 20	016
	Arrival teams in The Hague
	Hotel: The Hague NOVOTEL
	Hofweg 5-7
	2511 AA, The Hague
	T.: +31(0)70 364 88 46
Monday, 18 January	
08.00 hrs.	Breakfast – Novotel
09.30	Walk to Leiden University- Campus The Hague
	Address: Schouwburgstraat 2, 2511 VA, The Hague
10.00	Orientation session at the Auditorium of the University
	Welcome by Iris Kramer, policy advisor on International education of the
	City of The Hague
	Briefing by Debra Lesser, executive director of the New York Justice
	Resource Centre
	Presentation of the teams
12.00-13.00	Lunch at the Leiden University-Campus The Hague
13.00 – 14.30 City to	bur
18.00	Dinner/buffet at Novotel
20.00	Teams practice at the Novotel for the preliminary rounds
Tuesday, 19 January	
07.30 hrs.	Breakfast – Novotel

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08.30	Walk to Leiden University- Campus The Hague



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	Address: Schouwburgstraat 2, 2511 VA, The Hague
09.00	Briefing of IMC competition and itinerary, at the Auditorium of the
	University
09.30	Start preliminary rounds
11.00-11.15	Coffee break
11.30-13.00	Preliminary rounds
13.00-14.00	Lunch break at Leiden University- Campus The Hague
14.00	Briefing at the Auditorium
14.30-16.00	Preliminary rounds
	Return to hotel – Novotel
18.00	Walk to dinner location
	Restaurant: VIP (very Italian Pizza)
	Address: Kettingstraat 13, 2511 AM The Hague
20.00	Teams practice at the Novotel for the preliminary rounds

Wednesday, 20 January

07.30 hrs.	Breakfast – Novotel
08.30	Walk to Leiden University-Campus The Hague
	Address: Schouwburgstraat 2, 2511 VA, The Hague
09.00	Briefing at the Auditorium of the University
09.30	Start preliminary rounds
11.00-11.15	Coffee break
11.30-13.00	Preliminary rounds
13.00-14.00	Lunch break at Leiden University Campus The Hague
14.00	Briefing at the Auditorium
14.30-16.00	Preliminary rounds
	Return to hotel – Novotel
17.30	walk to the venue
18.00-20.00	Welcoming reception City Hall
	Address: Haagse Lobby (entrance 10 th floor Public Library)
	Address: Spui 68, The Hague
	Host: Deputy -Mayor for Education, The Hague
	Mrs Ingrid van Engelshoven
	Reception includes dinner/buffet
20.00	Teams practice at the Novotel for the preliminary rounds

Thursday, 21 January

07.30	hrs.	Breakfast – Novotel
08.30		Walk to Leiden University-Campus The Hague
09.00		Briefing at the Auditorium of the University
09.30		Start preliminary rounds



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11.00-11.15	Coffee break
11.30-13.00	Preliminary rounds
13.00-14.30	Lunch break at Novotel
	No afternoon programme
	From Novotel by public transport (Tram 1)to dinner location La Galleria:
	Direction: Scheveningen - Stop at Kurhaus – Scheveningen
18.00-20.00	Dinner/buffet at restaurant La Galleria
	Address: Boulevard Scheveningen, Strandweg 51, The Hague
	Announcement of the Final teams
	Return to the Novotel by public transport (Tram 1) Direction City center,
	stop: Kneuterdijk
20.00	Final teams practice at the Novotel

Finals:

Friday, 22 January	
07.30 hrs	Breakfast – Novotel
09.00	Departure by bus to the Peace Palace
10.00	Start FINAL rounds
12.00-13.00	Lunch break at the Peace Palace
13.00	Awards ceremony
14.00	Photo opportunity
14.30	Return to Novotel by bus
	Free time until:
18.30	Departure by bus to dinner and party location
	Address: TBC
23.00	Departure by bus to Novotel

Saturday, 23 January

08.30 - 10.00	Breakfast - Novotel
	Departure participants to Schiphol Airport



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Hotel

We will be staying at the Novotel Hotel: **Novotel Hotel, Hague, City Center** NOVOTEL Den Haag City Centre Hofweg 5-7 | 2511 AA Den Haag | +31 70 3108866 | □+31 70 3562889 | novotel.com | accorhotels.com

If you plan to bring more than two chaperones, please let us know. Additional costs will be required. If a team would like to stay for additional days, please notify us. Each team is required to pay for the first 3 nights and the JRC will pay the other 3 nights. (If we raise more funds, we will defray the costs for as many nights as possible).

Triple is 132.50 Euros (One big bed and a pull out sofa) ЗАСЕГА ТРЯБВА ОТБОРЪТ ДА СИ ПЛАТИ ЗА ТРИ НОЩУВКИ - АКО НАМЕРЯТ ПАРИ, ЩЕ НАМАЛЯТ БРОЯ НА НОЩУВКИТЕ, КОИТО ТРЯБВА ДА СЕ ПЛАТЯТ

Double is 107.50 Euros (One big bed and pull out sofa) Single is 97.50

The program does not pay for single rooms. ПРОГРАМАТА НЕ ПЛАЩА ЗА ЕДИНИЧНИ СТАИ – ТАКА ЧЕ МОГАТ ДА ОТИДАТ ДВАМА РЪКОВОДИТЕЛИ, НО ЩЕ ТРЯБВА ДА ПЛАТТЯТ ЗА ТРИ ДНИ ДВОЙНА СТАЯ ИЛИ ТРОЙНА СТАЯ (С НЯКОЙ ОТ УЧЕНИЦИТЕ)

You do not have to call the hotel, we arrange for all rooms. Payment at the hotel can be with a CC or Euros. We can collect Euros to cover the rooms. If paying by CC, you will need to complete a CC authorization.

Flights

Flights should arrive/depart at the Schiphol Airport in Amsterdam. Please make sure you arrive on Sunday, January 17, 2016. Depart on Saturday, January 23, 2016. Flights should be purchased before November 2016.



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Upon arrival in Amsterdam, you will be greeted at the airport by JRC staff or City Hall of The Hague staff. They will then escort you to The Hague. We will be arranging for vans to drive teams from the airport to the Novotel.

Weather in Winter (January)

The Hague's weather is cooler during the winter months, although there isn't a huge change in weather between the seasons due to the maritime climate. The coldest temperatures occur in January and February, although the prevailing south-westerly winds are mild and usually bring a fair amount of rain. Clouds generally appear every day, and in the winter months fog often engulfs the area. Colder weather can see temperatures dip below freezing although snowfall is rare. Dress appropriately to visit during the winter. Warm clothing will be needed.

Sponsors

The City Hall of The Hague is our sponsor in The Hague. Additional sponsors will be listed on our website: <u>www.jrcnyc.org</u>

Please complete the Web page info form (more information below).

Parent forms/student agreements

We need the parents and students to sign the attached forms that will allow their child to participate. Each coordinator will need to meet with the parents and students to discuss the expected behavior on this trip. The Netherlands may allow certain activities to legally take place; however, we will include that drinking any alcohol and other activities **will not be permitted**.

Press Releases

We are requesting that all participants' parents sign off on the attached media release form so we can take photos. If a student does not have a signed form, we cannot use photos.

Passports

Please start checking the passports for each student. Please note: Students' passports must have an expiration date later than June 2016. Six (6) months prior to departure. We need



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you to send us a copy of all the students and chaperones' passports to have on file. We will also need a copy of visas, if needed by a student.

Teams

Students will role play lawyers only. We will not have the role of witnesses, judges or registrar. The team configuration can be 3 lawyers for the defense, 3 for the prosecution for a total of 6 on a team. If you would like to have up to 2 students as alternates (back-up), that is fine. All student participants must speak English to compete.

Moot Court Rounds

Preliminary Rounds will be held at the Leiden Law School. Depending on the number of teams, we will have as many preliminary rounds as possible. Two teams will emerge as the finalists and will present their case before judges at the Peace Palace. All students will be required to attend the final round, regardless if they are the team presenting.

Awards for students

All students will receive certificates and school plaques which will be presented after the conclusion of the final round at the Peace Palace.

<u>Timeline - Important dates</u>

Please email all requested documents listed below to Gladys at <u>gaviles@schools.nyc.gov</u> or fax to JRC at 1-(212)-580-5918.

Due on Friday, October 16, 2015

1. Rooming list (2-3 in a room, same gender) - attached

Due on Friday, October 23, 2015

- 2. Web page and sponsors form attached
- 3. Student contact forms/allergies/medicine forms* attached
- 4. Passport copies of each person attending

Due on Friday, November 6, 2015

- 5. Program parental/guardian consent form attached
- 6. DOE media consent form attached



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Flights should be purchased before November 6, 2015

I will need copies of the confirmation for all flights

All participants must **arrive** on Sunday, January 17, 2016.

Depart on Saturday, January 23, 2016 (early flights-if possible).

If you arrive a day earlier or leave later, the costs will **not** be picked up by the program.

Best regards, Debra Lesser

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