



CENTRE FOR ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION,  
RGNUL (CADR)

in association with

THE PEACEKEEPING AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION  
TEAM (PACT)

presents

# 2ND RGNUL SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT LAW NATIONAL MEDIATION COMPETITION 2020

**BROCHURE**

CHIEF KNOWLEDGE PARTNER:  
SINGAPORE INTERNATIONAL MEDIATION INSTITUTE  
(SIMI)

CHIEF ADVISORY ORGANIZATION:  
KRIDA LEGAL

**MARCH 6-8, 2020**



## FROM THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S DESK

*"RGNUL has always been in the forefront to host events that are novel and of contemporary relevance. We have encouraged new ideas and take pride in their success. With that in mind, I am happy to note that CADR, RGNUL will be organizing the 2nd RGNUL Sports & Entertainment Law National Mediation Competition 2020 from March 6 – 8, 2020.*

*After successfully venturing and creating a niche in the field last year, I am certain that this event will add immensely to the knowledge of participants in the fields that this competition deals with. I look forward to welcoming teams from across the nation, vying for the opportunity to represent the Nation internationally at the Singapore International Mediation Institute (SIMI) Mediation Competition 2020 and securing many more awards."*

Prof. (Dr.) Paramjit S. Jaswal  
Vice-Chancellor, RGNUL

## A MESSAGE FROM THE PACT

*"The inaugural RGNUL Sports & Entertainment Law National Mediation Competition 2019 provided to CADR and PACT an opportunity to organize a competition on an issue which is close to the hearts of both our institutions. The idea behind organizing such a competition was to, not only further interest in Mediation, but also provide to students a forum where they could gauge the various opportunities available to them in this niche field of Sports and Entertainment disputes.*

*The organizing team was full of vibrant, professional and dedicated members who ensured that the Competition provided to its participants, and us, an experience par excellent. It was a pleasure working with committed student members of CADR. We are glad to be back at RGNUL, working with this team and providing an experience that builds on last year's legacy. We look forward to seeing you at the 2nd RGNUL Sports & Entertainment Law National Mediation Competition 2020."*

Mr. Nisshant Laroia  
Partner, The PACT

## A MESSAGE FROM REGISTRAR-CUM-FACULTY COORDINATOR, CADR

*"Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Punjab, was established by the State Legislature of Punjab by passing the Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab Act, 2006 (Punjab Act No. 12 of 2006). The University acquired approval of the Bar Council of India and has got registered with the University Grants Commission (UGC), New Delhi under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956 and got recognition under Section 12(B) of the said Act. RGNUL has been accredited "A" grade by National Assessment and Accreditations Council (NAAC) in 2015 and has been granted 'Autonomous Status' to RGNUL for being an Institute of Higher Education with Excellence. The University has been ranked in the Top 10 Institutions in the 'India Rankings' issued by National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), 2019 and acknowledged the First Cleanest in India amongst Govt. Residential University in the Category of Government Institutions in SWACHH CAMPUS RANKINGS 2019 by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India. The University is also a member of number of professional organizations of national and international stature like Association of Indian Universities (AIU), New Delhi, the Asian Law Institute (ASLI), International Association of Law Schools (IALS), International Law Students Association (ILSA), Legal Information Institute of India (LII of India) etc.*

*The University offers B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) Five Year Integrated Course (FYIC); LL.M. (Postgraduate) One Year Course (OYC); and Ph.D. and Post-Doctoral Research (LL.D.) courses in Law and allied subject subjects interface with law. Prospective students of UG and PG secure their admission through National Level Entrance Examination i.e. Common Law Admission Test (CLAT) and AIET for Ph.D. Course.*

*The University has established 11 Advanced Studies research centers which include Energy Law, Environmental Law, Social Science and Inter-Disciplinary Studies, Labour Law, Agriculture Law, Human Rights Law, International Humanitarian, Consumer Law, Criminal Law, Center for ADR, Constitutional Law and Governance to encourage and facilitate legal research across the country.*

*Since, the establishment of Center for ADR (CADR), it has organized numerous activities that have made the University proud and have contributed to the legal domain. I am glad to see that we are organizing the 2nd RGNUL Sports & Entertainment Law National Mediation Competition 2020.*

*The Competition is co-organized with The Peacekeeping and Conflict Resolution Team (PACT), a bunch of young professionals who have contributed immensely to stimulating interest of students in Mediation. If the first edition is anything to go by, the participants of this Competition can expect a professional organization from the end of CADR and PACT and an engrossing set of Mediation Problems steeped in nuances of the Sports and Entertainment dispute world.*

*I urge students to take up the opportunity to develop their skills in this arena which is the need of the hour."*

Prof. (Dr.) Naresh Kumar Vats  
Registrar, RGNUL

# INFORMATION BROCHURE

6-8 MARCH, 2020

RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB

## ABOUT THE COMPETITION

### 1ST EDITION

The Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) of Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, in association with The Peacekeeping and Conflict Resolution Team (PACT), organized a first-of-its-kind Mediation Competition from 12-14th April, 2019 which allowed students to flex their advocacy muscles within the mediation process. The competition was a major success by meeting its stated aim of providing students a platform that enabled them to test theory in practice by allowing the participants to represent all parties in the mediation process i.e. the client, the mediation counsel and the mediator.

### CURRENT EDITION

The 2nd edition seeks to carry forward the legacy of the first one and contribute in a meaningful way to the advocacy and communication skills of its participants. It seeks to make the process of Mediation more vibrant and attractive to the fraternity of law students across India.

Sports and Entertainment Law has been selected for this competition as it is an appealing and ever-growing field which will allow for a multidimensional approach given the fact that the interests of clients are often multi-fold in these situations. The competition aims to provide a platform that reflects the ever-growing expectation of clients to utilize other cost-effective alternative dispute resolution mechanisms to trial and to showcase the multifarious fields that can be effectively dealt with via mediation.

## ABOUT CADR

Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (CADR) has been established to promote the interests of students and researchers in Alternative Dispute Resolution – constituting methods such as Arbitration, Negotiation, Mediation and Conciliation. These dispute resolution methods, though considerably more economical and faster than litigation, are not yet very popular among the common Indian masses. CADR endeavours to promote and develop ADR as a vehicle of socio-economic and political justice. The ultimate objective of the Centre is to strengthen ADR mechanisms in the country by emerging as a platform which enables students and professionals to further their interests in the field. A strong team of teachers and students work dedicatedly towards achieving this end.

The Centre was proud to organise the SAM-PACT Bootcamp on Arbitration in collaboration with Shardul Amarchand Mangaldas and PACT. It also had the opportunity to organise the Ratan K. Singh Essay Writing Competition in collaboration with Straus Institute of Dispute Resolution and Pepperdine University (USA). This year, along with the Surana & Surana-RGNUL International Arbitral Award Writing Competition, the Centre also organised a Credit Course on Investment Arbitration in collaboration with Triumvir Law, and investment law firm based out of Bengaluru and Mumbai. These events saw enthusiastic participation and received great feedback. The Centre, in accordance with its objectives of producing quality research, launched its blog. (<https://rgnulcadr.wordpress.com/>).

The Centre is proud of its networks in the professional world. The aims of CADR and PACT stand in tandem and thus they have collaborated to organise various workshops and bootcamps in ADR and have also entered into a Memorandum of Understanding. This National Mediation Competition is another step in a series of many in this valuable partnership.

## ABOUT PACT

The Peacekeeping and Conflict Resolution Team (PACT) is a team of like-minded professionals who share the vision of promoting the use of consensual dispute resolution (CDR). As a collective, The PACT aims to catalyse the development of CDR in India and abroad through its innovative initiatives. Conceptualized by law and psychology graduates, The PACT grew up along the shores of Goa, is currently headquartered in New Delhi, and has begun working on projects beyond India. The mission is to cross geographical boundaries and stereotypes, and take Consensual Dispute Resolution to every corner of this globe.

## SELECTION OF TEAMS

- The teams will be registered on a 'first come first serve' basis.
- The registration is restricted to a maximum of 32 teams for this competition.

## DECLARATION OF PARTICIPATION

- A maximum of 2 teams from the host University (i.e., RGNUL, Punjab) will compete at the competition, thus making the maximum number of participating teams 34 (32+2 from RGNUL) in total.
- But the teams from RGNUL will not qualify for the finals. In case a team from RGNUL qualifies, the next best team will enter the finals, in its place.
- The organising committee for this competition has no conflict of interest to declare.

## AWARDS

- Winning Negotiation Team (Rs. 20,000);  
Runners-up Negotiation Team (Rs. 15,000)
- Winning Mediator (Rs. 10,000);  
Runners-up Mediator (Rs. 7,500)
- 'Best Negotiation Team' in the Preliminary Rounds
- 'Best Mediator' in the Preliminary Rounds
- 'Best Mediation Plan' in the Preliminary Rounds (Rs. 5,000)
- Two Meritorious Teams - the Winning Negotiation Team and Winning Mediator and a Negotiation Team and Mediator selected by The PACT jury at the competition - Negotiation Team (from the Semi-Finals) and Mediator (from the quarter-finals), will be awarded automatic qualification to represent India in Singapore, at the 2nd edition of International Mediation Competition to be hosted by SIMI in 2020.
- The Winning Mediator will be awarded an internship opportunity for up to 6 weeks with the Pepperdine School of Law, Straus Institute for Dispute Resolution, USA.
- Global Academy for Advocacy in Dispute Resolution will also be providing scholarships to the Winners and meritorious participants to attend the GAADR Programme.

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURE

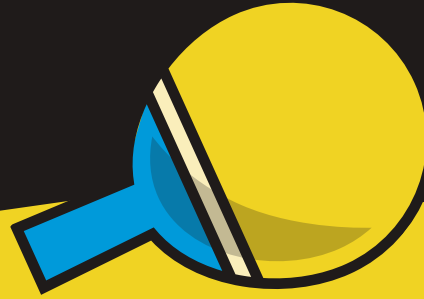
- Each participating team shall consist of a Client-Counsel pair (i.e., the Negotiation Team) and one student as the Mediator.
- The registration form requires teams to specify the roles of each individual member. The roles which have been pre-assigned by the team will be carried forward throughout the competition. Change of roles after the registration will not be permitted.
- Teams must complete the provisional registration by submitting the following form latest by February 1, 2020.  
<https://forms.gle/UaatXrekoLRDpVKA>
- Upon selection by the organising committee, teams must complete the payment of registration fee within a period of 48 hours. Details for payment of the registration fee will be notified to the teams upon selection.
- The Registration Fee is Rs.6,500/- per team, which is inclusive of cost of accommodation, food, competition kit and training sessions as arranged for by the organising committee.
- Final registration of the teams is subject to the successful payment of the registration fee within the stipulated time.

## ELIGIBILITY

- The competition is open to full-time law students (5-year and 3-year course) registered in any university in India for the academic year 2019-2020.
- Only students studying Law may participate in the competition.
- The competition is not open to LLM students.
- Each University may nominate up to 2 teams to participate in the competition.



# IMPORTANT DATES



REGISTRATION OPENS - JANUARY 1, 2020

LAST DATE FOR REGISTRATION - FEBRUARY 1, 2020

RELEASE OF COMPETITION PROBLEM - FEBRUARY 20, 2020

LAST DATE FOR SEEKING CLARIFICATIONS - FEBRUARY 27, 2020

RELEASE OF CLARIFICATIONS - MARCH 2, 2020

COMPETITION DATES - MARCH 6-8, 2020

## Contact us:

All queries and requests for information can be directed to the organising committee at our official email ID: [adrc@rgnul.ac.in](mailto:adrc@rgnul.ac.in)

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