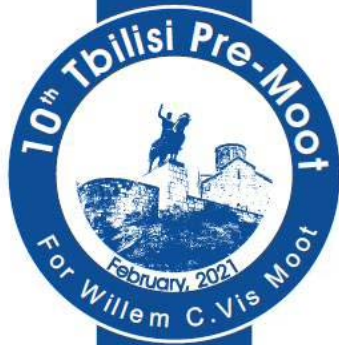




# Tbilisi Vis Pre-Moot

*10th Annual International Commercial  
Arbitration Competition*

**February 16-18, 2021**

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# Program Agenda

**Tuesday, February 16, 2021**

## Opening Ceremony

8:00 AM – 8:30 AM EST  
(17:00 - 17:30 GET)

### Opening Remarks

Jaba Gvelebiani, Director, Arbitration Initiative Georgia (AIG)

Skip Mark, Attorney-Advisor, U.S. Department of Commerce  
Commercial Law Development Program (CLDP)

Michael Honigstein, Political/Economic Counselor, U.S. Embassy in  
Tbilisi

8:30 AM – 9:00 AM EST  
(17:30 - 18:00 GET)

### Icebreaker - Intros & Around the World Tour

*Presenters:* Nicolette Mena, International Program Specialist, CLDP;  
Olivia Nejedlik, International Program Specialist, CLDP

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM EST  
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### The Tension Between Consent and Common Sense: Non-Signatories in International Commercial Arbitration

*Speaker:* Björn Arp, Fellow, Center on International Commercial  
Arbitration, American University Washington College of Law,  
Washington, D.C.

10:00 AM – 10:30 AM EST  
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### Vis Quiz!

*Presenter:* Kali Flemming, Law Clerk, CLDP

10:30 AM – 11:00 AM EST  
(19:30 - 20:00 GET)

### Everything I Wish I Had Known Before I Competed in the Vis Moot

*Speaker:* Drew Roberts, Attorney Advisor, CLDP

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM EST  
(20:00 - 20:30 GET)

### Legal and Practical Aspects of Remote Hearings

*Speaker:* Nata Ghibradze, Senior Associate, Hogan Lovells

11:30 AM – 12:00 PM EST  
(20:30 - 21:00 GET)

### Closing Remarks

*Speakers:*  
Skip Mark, Attorney-Advisor, CLDP; Jaba Gvelebiani, Director, AIG;

**Wednesday, February 17, 2021**

## Pre-Moot Pleadings, Day 1

7:00 AM – 8:45 AM EST  
(16:00 - 17:45 GET)

### Pre-Moot Pleadings – Day 1, General Round 1

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM EST  
(17:45 - 18:00 GET)

### Break

9:00 AM – 10:45 AM EST  
(18:00 - 19:45 GET)

### Pre-Moot Pleadings – Day 1, General Round 2

**Thursday, February 18, 2021**

**Pre-Moot Pleadings, Day 2**

7:00 AM – 8:45 AM EST  
(16:00 - 17:45 GET)

**Pre-Moot Pleadings – Day 2, General Round 1**

8:45 AM – 9:00 AM EST  
(17:45 - 18:00 GET)

**Break**

9:00 AM – 10:45 AM EST  
(18:00 - 19:45 GET)

**Pre-Moot Pleadings – Day 2, General Round 2**

10:45 AM – 11:45 PM EST  
(19:45 - 20:45 GET)

**Break**

11:45 AM – 12:45 PM EST  
(20:45 - 21:45GET)

**Closing Ceremony**

*Presenters:* Teona Sesitashvili, Tbilisi Pre-Moot Organizing Team  
Member, AIG; Skip Mark, Attorney-Advisor, CLDP