**Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) International Arbitration Moot**

Dear HSE students,

We invite everyone who is interested in international investment law to take part in the selection process for the HSE team.

The FDI Moot is scheduled to take place in *Boston*, *USA*, from 29 October to 2 November 2025 in an in-person format. The competition comprises two stages: drafting memorials for Claimant and Respondent on issues related to international investment law and participating in oral rounds. We would be glad to welcome to our team both bachelor and master students of the HSE.

We are looking for you if:

* You are interested in developing and perfecting legal writing & oral advocacy skills;
* You are ready to devote most of the spring, summer and autumn 2025 to the intensive preparation;
* You are fluent in English;
* The knowledge of international investment law and prior experience with moot courts is an advantage.

Here is the assignment for you: <https://fdimoot.org/problem.pdf>.

1) Read the case carefully.

2) For the purposes of the written assignment, we would like to ask you to prepare a brief memorandum (word limit 1200 excluding footnotes) defending the position of either Claimant or Respondent on one of the two issues (per your choice) raised in the Procedural Order No. 1, p. 68 of the PDF file).

*i. Whether the Tribunal has jurisdiction over the present dispute, in the light of rules of succession of states in respect of treaties, regarding the BIT.*

*ii. Whether the Respondent is responsible for violation of the obligation to provide full*

*protection and security to the Claimant’s investment contained in Article 3 BIT:*

3) Submit it to the following email address Fdihsemoscow@gmail.com by 23.59 on **April 29, 2025**.

4) Please also attach your CV (including any mooting experience, courses on investment arbitration, etc.).

5) Authors of the best memorials will be invited to the oral round consisting of a short pleading and an interview soon after the submission.

Please monitor <https://www.facebook.com/HSEFDIMootTeam> for any updates and do not hesitate to contact us via Fdihsemoscow@gmail.com for any questions.