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Mediation: The Alternative Dispute Resolution for the Future

Thessaloniki, Greece

November 5-7, 2009

Conference Venue "Ioannis Vellidis" – Room ELOPIA

AGENDA

Day 1 MEDIATION EDUCATION

3-3:30 PM	Welcome and Introductions (Overview of the Program and Agenda)
3:30-4:00	European Union Directive on Mediation
4:00-4:30	Explanation of US Mediation Law and Ethics
4:30-4:45	Break
4:45-6:45	Introductions to the Mediation Process
	Merits of Mediation (15 minutes)
	Mediation-How it Works, Initial Contacts, Scheduling
	Conditions for Effective Mediation
	The Dynamics of Conflict; an Overview
	Principles and Art of Negotiation
	Role of the Mediator
6:45-7:00	Questions and Answers

Day 2 MEDIATION TRAINING-THE MEDIATION PROCESS

3:00-3:15 Explanation of a Hypothetical Case (Demonstration of a Case)

3:15-5:00 Preparation and Strategy for Parties/Mediator

Confidential Position Paper for the Mediator

Opening Statement of the Mediator

Opening Statement of the Plaintiff

Opening Statement of the Defendant

5:00-5:15 Break

5:15-6:45 Separating the Parties-First Caucus

Dealing with Attorneys

Confidential Exchange of Information

Creating a Positive Environment for Settlement

Exploring the Parties real and reasonable objectives

Probing, Framing and Summary of Issues.

6:45-7:00 Questions and Answers

Day 3 Mediation Training (Continued)-Achieving Settlement

10:00-10:15 Review Previous Days Materials – Second Hypothetical Case and Demonstration

10:15-12:00 Selecting and Inserting options for settlement

Gathering facts, identifying conflict, identifying issues.

Settlement offers and transmission of offers

Recognition of Settlement Ranges and assessing options

Final Bargaining

12:00-12:15 Break

12:15-1:45 Final Bargaining

Incremental Progress

Leap Procedure

Deadlines and Consequences

Reaching a Final and Binding Agreement

Preparation of the Agreement

Execution of the Agreement

Enforcement of the Agreement

Failure or Follow up with the Parties

1:45-2:00 Questions and Answers; Evaluations