## The Regulation on mediation fee and other costs of the mediation procedure Confirmation

**1.1**The programming of mediation session will be confirmed by the Center upon receipt of the mediation request as well as the writing confirmation of participation in the mediation by all involved parties in accordance with this Regulation and due payment of the mediation fee stated in paragraphs 1.2 to 1.6 hereafter.

#### **Fees**

- **1.2** For each claim or counter-action up to MDL 20,000, the mediation fee of the Center will constitutes MDL 1,500, which will include:
  - A litigation between two parties;
  - o 2 preparatory hours for mediation;
  - o 4-hours of one mediation day;
  - Appointment of a mediator directly by the Center or by the parties, upon mutual agreement, using the list of the Center's mediators and case management throughout its duration;
  - Oconduction of mediation at the headquarters of the Mediation Center in Chisinau, bd. Stefan cel Mare 151 (for the mediations to be held in other locations, the parties are responsible for the costs related to the rent of the space and the travel costs of the mediator).

Value of the claim /	Mediation Fee MDL	Overtime fee MDL /
counterclaim fee MDL		hour
Up to 20 000,00	1500,00	100,00

- **1.3** For all claims between the value of MDL 20,000.00 and MDL 800,000.00, the mediation fee of the Center will be calculated according to the value of the claim or counterclaim fee and will include:
  - A litigation between two parties;
  - o 5 preparatory hours for mediation;
  - o Two days of mediation, totaling 10 hours;
  - Proposal by the Center of a mediator from the list of Center's mediators and case management throughout its duration;
  - o Conduction of mediation at the headquarters of the Mediation Center in Chisinau, bd. Stefan cel Mare 151 (for the mediations to be held in other

locations, the parties are responsible for the costs related to the rent of the space and the travel costs of the mediator).

Value of the claim /	<b>Mediation Fee MDL</b>	Overtime fee MDL /
counterclaim fee MDL		hour
Up to 20 000,00	1500,00	100,00
20 001,00 - 50 000,00	2 500,00	100,00
50 001,00-100 000,00	3 000,00	150,00
100 001,00-200 000,00	4 000,00	150,00
200 001,00-300 000,00	5 000,00	215,00
300 001,00-400 000,00	7 000,00	215,00
400 001,00-500 000,00	9 000,00	335,00
500 001,00-600 000,00	12 000,00	350,00
600 001,00-700 000,00	14 000,00	350,00
700 001,00-800 000,00	15 000,00	350,00
800 001,00 +	Contact the Center	Upon agreement

- **1.4** For cases involving more than two parties, the mediation fee is increased by 15% for each additional party.
- **1.5** For each claim or counterclaim fee that exceed the amount of MDL 800,001.00 or if the case cannot be quantified in monetary value, the fee charged by the Mediation Center will be determined individually.
- **1.6** Fees are equally distributed between the parties, unless the parties agree otherwise and notify the Center.

## **Invoicing and payment**

- **1.7** As soon as the mediation date is set, the invoice with the amount of the mediation fee will be sent to the parties. If the party does not participate in person, the invoice will be addressed and paid by the lawyers of each of the parties with whom the mediation arrangements have been agreed or by the legally empowered persons.
- **1.8** The invoice is paid within 14 days until the mediation start, but not later than one week before the mediation. The failure to pay the mediation fee to the Center in the specified terms will result in the postponement of mediation at the discretion of the Center, as well as the application of a cancellation fee.
- **1.9** If the mediation is scheduled in a short time (less than a week before mediation), special arrangements with the Center will be agreed upon, to ensure the payment of the mediation fee before the mediation session.
- **1.10** Mediation will be void if the payment is not made at least one working day before the mediation, and a 100% cancellation fee will be applied.

**1.11** If, during the mediation, the Parties come to an agreement that the mediator will arrange for additional time for mediation, he / she will be charged at hourly rate according to the corresponding counterclaim fee / claim values set out in the tables under paragraphs 1.2 and 1.3. Overtime fees will be invoiced as soon as mediation has been completed and paid within 7 days.

# The withdrawal of the request and / or settlement agreement of the litigation through mediation

**1.12** In case of receiving a written withdrawal request and / or mediation agreement from one of the parties, the withdrawal fee will be calculated as a percentage of the invoiced mediation fee described in paragraphs 1.2 to 1.6 and in accordance with the following grid.

Withdrawal notification (calendar	Application of withdrawal fee (% of
days)	the Mediation fee)
15 days and more	5%
11-14 days	25%
6-10 days	50%
2-5 days	75%
1 working day	100%

**1.13** These provisions of paragraph 1.12 apply without prejudice to the right of a party to recover costs from any party that is considering faulty for the damage caused.

#### **Additional costs**

- **1.14** Additional costs shall be paid by the parties in advance in the coordinated amount, necessary to carry out the respective procedural action.
- **1.15** The mediation procedure will not start and the one initiated will not continue, as long as the parties do not honored the additional costs.

## Order of payment of the mediation fee and additional costs.

- **1.16** The mediation fee and the costs provided by these Regulation shall be considered to have been paid upon their deposit on the account of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of the Republic of Moldova. Bank transfer costs are assumed by the party making the transfer.
- **1.17** If a party or both parties are non-residents of the Republic of Moldova, the mediation fee and the expenses stipulated by the present Regulation in Moldovan Lei (MDL) may be paid in another currency at the exchange rate of the National Bank of Moldova on the day of payment.

#### **Taxes**

**1.18** The mediation fee provided by this Regulation does not include the value added tax (VAT).

#### The Order of the distribution of the mediation fee.

- **1.19** Within 10 days after the conclusion or termination of the mediation procedure, the mediator is charged at a fee of 50% of the amount paid by the parties as a mediation fee. If several mediators have been assigned, unless otherwise agreed in the contract with these mediators, the fee is equally distributed among them. The mediation fee also includes the costs of organizing and administering the Mediation Center and is the outstanding amount after paying the mediator / mediator fees.
- **1.19.1** The assigned Mediator may refuse to collect the agreed fee in accordance with the paragraph 1.19 of his own will; in this case the mediation fee paid by the Parties shall be collected in full by the Mediation Center.

## **Final provisions**

**1.20** This Regulation constitutes an integral part of the Regulations on the mediation procedure and come into force from 1 November 2015.