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# An International Curriculum MID 2017

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## Why internationalization is

#### important

- To have the international experience
- To internationalize national legal education
- Lawyers have to deal with foreign counterparts:
  - language
  - understanding

#### difficult

- Characteristics of our students
  - Older
  - Very motivated
  - With job or family obligations
- Intensive, short courses











### Our idea:

- Bringing people together in a Intensive Short Program (thank you Erasmus+)
- International class room (students and teachers in one room)
- Interaction between students and teachers











#### This is what we do:

- Summer school LLB (2008 to date)
  - From two weeks to one week
  - Preparations: online Legal English, intercultural communication and text book
- Summer school LLM (2016 to date)
  - One week, preparations online: Legal English II, intercultural communication
- Winter school Ph.D (2015 to date)
  - Presentations of Ph.D research
  - Preparation online: ethics & integrity, comparative method, Legal English II, and more











# Challenges 1

- Find a common educational format
  - (central objective: communication)
  - (activating students: role play or moot court)

- Differentiate in level of knowledge
  - (split up in LLB, LLM and Ph.D)











# Challenges 2

- Differences in administrative issues
  - (common program, local regulations)
  - (examination, number of ects, etc.)
- Differences in expectations of teachers
  - (make it a common responsibility)
  - (create a group of friends)
  - (Staff training)











# Challenges 3

- Bureaucratic obstacles
- Number of parties involved
- Resources
- Organization: money / authority / goodwill







