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The Student Life Blog will keep you updated with the latest news about activities and events that occur at IE University, through the IEU Clubs and student initiatives!



LawWithoutWalls Lands at IEU

Photo credits: Ashley Dizon, IEU BBA Student


Though the digital era kicked in a while ago, the imaginary lines mentioned in text books and drawn in maps still limit men's understanding of a world that is interconnected at its core and which survival depends on collective efforts. Fortunately, being a member of such a diverse community as that of IEU, our students are acutely aware of this reality and prove themselves ever-willing to tear down imaginary



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walls. Our soon to become IEU Lawyers are vivid examples of that predicament; they annually join one of the world's most innovative and heterogeneous Law programs tailored to young talents: LawWithoutWalls (LWOW). This 2016, we also have the privilege to host the LWOW KickOff in our Madrid headquarters.

LWOW Kicks started in Madrid on 2016

The weekend of January 16 was one worth remembering for the IEU family. Over 190 lawyers, entrepreneurs, and other professionals, including 50 law students, arrived from across the globe in order to attend this year's LawWithoutWalls KickOff event. LWOW caters to students who understand that within a new global, complex, and multi-disciplinary legal marketplace, successful lawyers must also be creative problem solvers, leaders and businessmen; they should skillfully handle technology, social media, and be excellent communicators.

Participants coming both from IEU and 30 international universities had the opportunity to attend this weekend's LWOW initialization event called the "KickOff." Kick off events usually change locations every year and 2016 provided the perfect occasion to kick start the adventure at IEU in Madrid.

About this weekend's experience

The LWOW KickOff event comprises a 2-day intensive program where all participants network, work on their idea development skills, teambuilding and go through a personality assessment. Students are assigned working teams with individuals from different countries and cultural backgrounds. Together, they must pose an innovative solution that addresses a specific challenge in the field of law.

Towards the end of the weekend long experience, groups presented their initial thoughts on how to address the challenges assigned to them. They are later compelled to work on their challenges through the course of the semester in collaboration with their teammates (can be done via skype, email and chat forums). Ultimately, teams meet again at the LWOW ConPosium held in Miami, Florida. Here is where they finally pitch their finished ideas.

A few words from Ashley Dizon, SL reporter on the field and IEU student who attended the LWOW Closing Event

"Sunday's closing events for LWOW included several presentations from groups about different pitches regarding law

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related topics. The groups were comprised of students from all over the world, each offering a different perspective which allowed for their groups to come up with innovative ideas. The groups had no more than 10 minutes to present their ideas, leading them to focus on having clear and concise presentations”.

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