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23rd DSAMUN

**DEUTSCHE SCHULE ATHEN
MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE**

16 - 18 OCTOBER 2020

ADMINISTRATIVE HANDBOOK



Acknowledgments

DSAMUN is proud to be a THIMUN (The Hague International Model United Nations) Affiliated Conference.

Being a member of THIMUN, which is the biggest and most famous Youth Conference in the world, provides us with the opportunity to contribute as DSAMUN Conference in promoting awareness of international relations and issues for young people in an open-minded atmosphere in which students can develop and refine their communication skills, where they can gain insights to enhance their understanding of and learning about politics in a global and international manner. Therefore, we would like to thank the Board of THIMUN, especially Linda Dubock and Irwin Stein for their permission to use their Instructional Guide and their support.

We would also like to thank our school administration, our colleagues and administrative personnel, students, parents, alumni and sponsors who have made these conferences possible and successful ones over the last years.

We wish you all a pleasant online conference this year.

Klio Stamou
Head of the Board of Directors

Preface

This one is a special year – more so as it does not only separate us from each other but also brings us closer together. We are one world. This becomes evident if we look at the pandemic covid-19 crisis as it all affects us in a way that we thought not possible. This crisis has changed us and our world more than we probably can imagine the outcome not clear. One positive element that has come along with this crisis is our ability to adapt. As a school we have learned to use the means that we have at hand to get along and stay in touch with our students. So this year's conference also shows us how we can cope with a difficult situation by staging the 23rd DSAMUN conference **online**. We have already held our MUN club online which was at the beginning a bit difficult but in the end quite effective. And this is what we will offer to you this year as well: to debate in a new modus. There will be some rules that might be awkward to you but that we hope will make this conference a success like all the other ones.

What we will deeply miss this year is to see you all in person. A conference lives from the encounters you make during a conference and from every single person attending the conference of course. But we also have to lay the focus on a problem that might occur because this conference will be held online and that is the alleged anonymity that we all assume if we talk about an online platform. Let's make this conference especially safe concerning cyber-mobbing and use the means at hand in a supportive way! Together we will find a solution to make this conference a safe one and a success for all of us!

Birgit Boenigk & Anna Papanikolaou
DSAMUN Directors

**Secretary
General's preface**

Your Excellencies, distinguished guests, esteemed directors, fellow student officers, dear delegates,

It is my profound honor to welcome you to the 23rd session of Deutsche Schule Athen Model United Nations Conference. Despite the adversities of the last months, our common belief that constructive dialogue and respect for the other's opinion can bring unity in our world has gathered us all at this year's conference. Living in an era in which democracy is constantly becoming more indirect, citizens are losing their faith in politics and authoritarian rule is gaining ground in many countries, consciousness raising of the youth on current affairs is urgent. MUN serves this exact purpose; it offers young people the unique opportunity to become open minded and responsible global citizens.

At first glance, it would sound unrealistic and idealistic to claim that an assembly of students from around the globe will directly affect the course of humanity as a whole. However, MUN conferences do not aim at bringing radical political change or constituting the spark that will trigger a social revolution. MUN conferences, such as the DSAMUN, instill the values of social responsibility and respect for the law: values that all active citizens should espouse. Hence, through the familiarization of the youth with such fundamental principles, democracy is actively empowered.

It is a fact that some MUN participants will pursue a career in law, politics or diplomacy. But this is not the point of MUN. Regardless of professional aspirations, through MUN, one develops his critical thinking, shapes a round opinion on global issues and learns how to respect and coexist with people from different cultural and economic background. These are the key traits that everyone should possess in today's contemporary and globalized world.

Throughout the three days of this prestigious conference, delegates will debate upon issues of paramount importance and propose realistic solutions in tackling them. I hope and highly advise all of you to fully exploit this unique experience to freely express your views and thoughts in an ideal, democratic, and multicultural environment.

Thank you.

John Kordas
Secretary General DSAMUN 2020

**President of the
GA 's preface**

Your Excellencies, distinguished guests, esteemed directors, dear student officers and delegates,

In my capacity as the PGA, I welcome you to the annual DSAMUN conference. In the days leading to the conference, I hope that all participants will be able to research and prepare themselves adequately, while enjoying the process as a whole. For MUN is not intended to be an unnecessary labor on the backs of students already studying hard, but it represents an opportunity for them to enjoy themselves all the while engaging in something productive.

But let us address the elephant in the room, corona virus. The global pandemic has forced us, as well as other MUN conferences to take measures in order to protect the health of the delegates and everyone involved. Unfortunately, measures are in and of themselves restraining the scope of the activities that our conference can undertake. However, it would be a folly to surmise that the following conference will be in any way inferior to the previous ones. DSAMUN is a 23-year-old conference and we intend to uphold the reputation of quality that we have so far painstakingly cultivated.

For all participants, I can only give you my earnest recommendation to engage in this year's MUN and grow from the experience.

Thank you.

George Stamatopoulos
President of the GA DSAMUN 2020

Programme

Thursday	15 October
15.30-17.00	Online Chair workshop at BBB Platform (mandatory for all Student Officers)
Friday	16 October
09.30-09.30	Advisors Meeting (BBB Advisor Room)
09.30-10.30	Official Opening Ceremony (BBB Opening Ceremony Room 1 & Room 2)
10.30-12.00	Lobbying (BBB Committee Rooms)
12.00-13.30	All committees in session (BBB Committee Rooms)
13.30-15.30	Lunch Break
15.30-17.00	Approval Panel in operation (BBB Approval Panel Room)
15.30-17.00	Lobbying, final Draft of Resolutions
Saturday	17 October
09.00-11.00	Committees, SC and ICJ in session (BBB Committee Rooms)
09.30-15.00	Approval Panel in operation (BBB Approval Panel Room)
11.00-11.30	Break
11.30-13.30	Committees, SC and ICJ in session (BBB Committee Rooms)
13.30-15.30	Lunch
15.30-17.00	Committees, SC and ICJ in session (BBB Committee Rooms)
Sunday	18 October
09.00-11.00	SC, ECOSOC, Special Conference, ICJ and Youth Assembly in session (BBB Committee Rooms)
09.00-11.00	General Assembly in session (BBB General Assembly Room)
11.00-11.30	Break
11.30-12.30	General Assembly in session (BBB General Assembly Room)
11.30-12.30	SC, ECOSOC, Special Conference, ICJ and Youth Assembly in session (BBB Committee Rooms)
12.30-13.30	Closing Ceremony (BBB Closing Ceremony Room 1 & Room 2)

Agenda

GENERAL ASSEMBLY (GA)

Disarmament and International Security Committee (GA1)

- The Question of the Expansion of the common EU defence policy
- The conduction of Artificial Islands and Military Bases in international waters
- Regulating the use of drones in active wars

ECOFIN (GA2)

- Global economic implications of the extraction of natural resources in the arctic circle and disputed territories
- Assessing the limitations of monetary policy as a financial stability method
- Encouraging structural reforms to reduce income inequality

Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee (GA3)

- Fostering the preservation of languages
- The question of government's right to limit civil liberties in times of conflict
- Improving employment opportunities for refugees and displaced persons

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (GA4)

- On the question of Hong Kong's status in China
- Regulating the privatization of outer space exploration
- The Case of Guam

Legal Committee (GA6)

- Discussing legal measures on information disorder and its influence on democratic elections
- Establishing a legal framework on genetic engineering methods
- Developing measures to eradicate the manufacturing and trafficking of counterfeit medicines

Environmental Committee

- Advancing Climate-Smart Agriculture Methods in Africa
Helping island states in building resilience to climate change
- Towards prohibiting the operation of factories with unsustainable outputs of carbon dioxide
- Regulating and leveraging "Internet of Things" to enhance sustainable development

Security Council (SC)

- Addressing the crisis in the Strait of Hormuz
- Naval expansion and maritime security in the South China Sea
- The situation in the Sahel region

Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

- Countering the social – economic effects of the Brexit on international and Europa communities
- Developing measures to effectively mitigate the impact of or terminate trade wars
- Introducing Flexicurity as a means to protect the employer’s and employees’ rights
- Assessing the socioeconomic impact of e-Health services on national health system

International Court of Justice (ICJ)

- Crime of Genocide (The Gambia v. Myanmar)

Special Conference on Children

- The right to education in the juvenile justice systems
- Providing humanitarian assistance for children suffering “atrocities” in countries with conflicts
- Supporting sport for development and peace
- Adopting the immunization program for Children

Youth Assembly

- Food security in refugee camps
- Preventing net addiction
- The issue of human cloning

Student Officers

Secretariat

Secretary General	Ioannis Kordas (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Deputy Secretary General	Anastasis Lambrianos-Stappas (Pierce College)
President of the GA	George Stamatopoulos (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Deputy President of the GA	Angeliki Angelopoulou (Deutsche Schule Athen)

General Assembly

Disarmament and International Security Committee (GA1)

(Responsible Secretariat Member: George Stamatopoulos)

Chair	Theodore Iakovou (Pierce College)
Co Chair	Lambros Chavoutsiotis (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Co Chair	Alexandros Ballis (Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki)

General Assembly

Economic and Financial Committee (GA2)

(Responsible Secretariat Member: John Kordas)

Chair	Angelica Vogiatzoglou (Costeas-Geitonas School)
Co Chair	Sophia Zacharia (Pierce College)
Co Chair	Spyros Nteimentes (Deutsche Schule Athen)

General Assembly

Social Humanitarian and Cultural Committee (GA3)

(Responsible Secretariat Member: Anastasis Lambrianos-Stappas)

Chair	Joanna Sakkadas (St. Lawrence)
Co Chair	Penny Dimitrakopoulou (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Co Chair	Nikolas Karampetsos (Deutsche Schule Athen)

General Assembly

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (GA4)

(Responsible Secretariat Member: George Stamatopoulos)

Chair	Alkistis Papanikolaou (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Co Chair	Ioulianos Kotsios (Pierce College)
Co Chair	Thodoris Protekdikos (Pierce College)

General Assembly

Legal Committee (GA6)

(Responsible Secretariat Member: Angeliki Angelopoulou)

Chair	Kyveli Malta (Moraitis School)
Co Chair	Melvin-Solomon Berkowitz (Anatolia College)
Co Chair	Katerina Gerantoni (Deutsche Schule Athen)

Specialised Agency

Environmental Committee

(Responsible Secretariat Members: John Kordas & Anastasis Labrianos-Stappas)

Chair	Maria Voulgari (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Co Chair	Tomasso Alocci (ACS)
Co Chair	Lida Delinioti (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Co Chair	Christos Kangelidis (Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki)

Specialised Agency

Security Council

(Responsible Secretariat Member: Angeliki Angelopoulou)

President	George Ermis Ioannou Makrynikolas (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Deputy President	Harry Ioannou (Ekipedftiki Anagennisi)
Deputy President	Emily Miliou (Campion School)

Specialised Agency

ECOSOC

(Responsible Secretariat Member: John Kordas)

President	Christos Moustakis (Costeas-Geitonas School)
Deputy President	Antonis Chronis (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Deputy President	Nikitas Papadopoulos (ArsakeioThessalonikis)
Deputy President	Christina Beykou (St. Lawrence College)

Specialised Agency

Special Conference

(Responsible Secretariat Members: Angeliki Angelopoulou & George Stamatopoulos)

President	Konstantina Andrikopoulou (HAEF College Psychico)
Deputy President	Fragiskos Nistikakis (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Deputy President	Apostolis Krystallis (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Deputy President	Eirini Thomopoulou (Deutsche Schule Athen)

Youth Assembly

Responsible Secretariat Members: Anastasis Labrianos-Stappas & John Kordas

Head	Danae Hatziveroglou (Costeas-Geitonas School)
Co Head	Erika Kunstmann-Drakouli (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Co Head	Amalia Krosdorf (Deutsche Schule Athen)
Co Head	Alice Alifragi (Deutsche Schule Athen)

**International
Court of Justice**

President	Niki Pierakea	Deutsche Schule Athen
Deputy President	Despoina Petrou	Costeas-Geitonas School
Registrar	Chrysanthi Dellas-Grivas	Deutsche Schule Athen
Advocates (Appl.)	Areti Moustaki	Costeas-Geitonas School
	Katerina Raptaki	Costeas-Geitonas School
Advocates (Resp.)	Ariadne Giavridi	Deutsche Schule Athen
	Nikolas Schrader	Deutsche Schule Athen

Judges (to be announced)

**International
Court of Justice
Programme**

Friday 16 October

- 09.00 - 09.30 Brief Meeting (BBB ICJ Room)
- 09.30 - 10.30 Official Opening Ceremony (BBB Opening Ceremony Room 1)
- 10.30 - 12.30 Opening Statements, Stipulations & Admission of Applicant Party's Evidence (BBB ICJ Room)
- 12.30 - 14.30 Lunch
- 14.30 - 17.00 Presentation of the case by the Applicant party- Examination of Witnesses and Deliberation (BBB ICJ Room)

Saturday 17 October

- 08.45 - 09.00 Brief Meeting (BBB ICJ Room)
- 09.00 - 09.30 Deliberation (BBB ICJ Room)
- 09.30 - 12.30 Admission of Respondent Party's evidence & Examination of Witnesses and Deliberation (BBB ICJ Room)
- 12.30 - 14.30 Lunch
- 14.30 - 15.30 Deliberation (BBB ICJ Room)
- 15.30 - 16.00 Rebuttal (BBB ICJ Room)
- 16.00 - 16.15 Deliberation (BBB ICJ Room)
- 16.15 - 17.00 Questions by Judges (BBB ICJ Room)

Sunday 19 October

- 09.00 - 09.30 Questions by Judges (BBB ICJ Room)
- 09.30 - 10.30 Closing Arguments (BBB ICJ Room)
- 10.30 - 11.30 Deliberation/Break (BBB ICJ Room)
- 11.30 - 12.30 Writing of the Verdict (BBB ICJ Room)
- 12.30 - 13.30 Closing Ceremony /Presentation of the Verdict (BBB Closing Ceremony Room 1)

**DSAMUN
Country List**

Afghanistan		(ECO)	Serbia
Algeria	DPR Korea [North]		Singapore
Antigua & Barbuda	DR Congo	Kazakhstan	Somalia
Argentina (ECO)	Dominican Republic(ECO) (SC)	Kenya (ECO)	South Africa (SC)
Australia		Kuwait	Spain
Austria	Ecuador (ECO)	Kyrgyzstan	Sri Lanka
	Egypt(ECO)		Sudan (ECO)
	El Salvador	Lebanon	Sweden
Bangladesh	Equatorial Guinea	Libya	Switzerland
Belarus (ECO)	Estonia (SC)		Syrian Arab Republic
Belgium (SC)	Ethiopia (ECO)	Madagascar	São Tomé & Príncipe
Belize		Mexico (ECO)	
Bolivia (ECO)	Finland	Myanmar	Thailand
Bosnia and Herzegovina	France (ECO) (SC)		Togo (ECO)
Botswana	FYROM	Netherlands (ECO)	Tunisia (SC)
Brazil (ECO)	Georgia	Nicaragua(ECO)	Trinidad and Tobago
Brunei Darussalam	Germany (ECO) (SC)	Niger (SC)	Turkey (ECO)
Bulgaria	Greece		
Burkina Faso	Guatemala	Pakistan(ECO)	Ukraine(ECO)
Burundi		Panama	United Arab Emirates
		Peru	United Kingdom (ECO) (SC)
Canada (ECO)	Honduras	Philippines (ECO)	United States of America (ECO)(SC)
Cape Verde	Hungary	Poland	Uruguay (ECO)
Central African Republic		Portugal	Turkmenistan (ECO)
Chad (ECO)	India (ECO)		
Chile	Indonesia (SC)	Republic of Korea [South] (ECO)	
China (ECO)(SC)	Iran (ECO)	Romania (ECO)	Venezuela(ECO)
Colombia (ECO)	Iraq (ECO)	Russian Federation (ECO)(SC)	
Costa Rica	Ireland (ECO)	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines (SC)	Viet Nam (SC)
Côte d'Ivoire	Israel		
Croatia	Italy	Saudi Arabia(ECO)	Yemen (ECO)
Cuba (ECO)			
Cyprus	Japan		
Czech Republic			

DSAMUN NON MEMBER STATES COMMITTEES

Palestine: All Committees except for ECOSOC, SC

Human Rights Watch: Social, Humanitarian and Cultural Committee (GA3)

Transparency International: Legal Committee (GA6)

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP): Special Conference

United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA): Disarmament and International Security Committee (GA1)

World Trade Organization (WTO): ECOSOC

Despite not being official member states of the UN they have full voting THIMUN privileges and they are very important for the discussion of various topics, and therefore their voice must be heard. They can sign and present resolutions.

The Security Council is an emergency organ. Delegates must be very well prepared and aware of the general situation of world politics as a crisis situation may occur which will need to be dealt with.

All country delegations may have between 4 and 6 delegates (7 if the country is both in ECO and in SC). It is also obligatory to assign delegates to countries participating in HSC.

*ECO = ECOSOC: Economic & Social Council

*SC= Security Council

DSAMUN
Country
Assignment
sort by Country
represented

	Country represented	School name	Country origin
1.	Argentina	Erasmeios Ellinogermaniki School	Greece
2.	Belarus	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
3.	Belgium	Anatolia High School	Greece
4.	Brazil	Modern Education Schools	Egypt
5.	Canada	Erasmeios Ellinogermaniki School	Greece
6.	China	Costeas Geitonas School	Greece
7.	Dominican Republic	Anatolia High School	Greece
8.	Egypt	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
9.	Estonia	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
10.	Finland	Platon School	Greece
11.	France	Ekpaideftiki Anagennisi	Greece
12.	Germany	Leonteios School	Greece
13.	Greece	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
14.	India	Summits International School	Egypt
15.	Indonesia	Doukas School	Greece
16.	Ireland	Erasmeios Ellinogermaniki School	Greece
17.	Italy	Anatolia High School	Greece
18.	Japan	HAEF Athens College Lykeion	Greece
19.	Mexico	Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki	Greece
20.	Myanmar	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
21.	Netherlands	I.M. Panagiotopoulos School	Greece
22.	Niger	EL Alsson British and American International School	Egypt
23.	Poland	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
24.	Romania	I.M. Panagiotopoulos	Greece
25.	Russia federation	Doukas School	Greece
26.	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
27.	Saudi Arabia	HAEF Psychico College	Greece
28.	Singapore	Summits International School	Egypt

29.	South Africa	HAEF Psychico College	Greece
30.	Spain	Platon School	Greece
31.	Sweden	Rosary Sisters' High School	Israel
32.	Switzerland	Platon School	Greece
33.	Syrian Arab Republic	Costeas Geitonas School	Greece
34.	Tunisia	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
35.	Turkey	El Alsson British and American International School	Egypt
36.	United Arab Emirates	El Alsson British and American International School	Egypt
37.	United Kingdom	Deutsche Schule Athen	Greece
38.	United States of America	Costeas Geitonas School	Greece
39.	Viet nam	Deutsche Schule Thessaloniki	Greece

Assembly Meeting Rooms

<https://dsamoodle.de/dsamun>

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 <p>Miscellaneous GA6</p>	 <p>Miscellaneous General Assembly</p>	 <p>Miscellaneous ICJ</p>	 <p>Miscellaneous MUN Advisors</p>
 <p>Miscellaneous Opening & Closing Ceremony I</p>	 <p>Miscellaneous Opening & Closing Ceremony II</p>	 <p>Miscellaneous Press Staff</p> <p>0% complete</p>	 <p>Miscellaneous Security Council</p> <p>0% complete</p>
 <p>Miscellaneous SpeCon</p>	 <p>Miscellaneous Youth Assembly</p>		

Important Information

General Rules of Conduct

It is assumed by virtue of the fact that participants are here for a serious programme that they are mature enough to respect others and to provide a framework within which all MUN participants can operate, with each action in good taste and appropriate to the primary purpose of their being here. Failure to follow these simple guidelines may result in schools not being invited to future sessions.

Dress Code

As a serious simulation, DSAMUN expects personal appearance to be appropriate for a professional setting. Participants should not wear clothing, jewellery, or accessories which are distracting, inappropriate, or which may call attention to themselves – either individually or as a group.

Inappropriate dress includes, but is not limited to:

- Sports shoes & denim clothes
- National costume or military attire

Boys should be dressed in a formal suit, shirt, tie, or similar alternative i.e. blazer or jacket with formal trousers. Girls should be dressed equally formally in suits, smart separates (whether trousers or skirts) or dresses. Low necklines and/or short skirts are not considered appropriate.

PREPARATORY MEETINGS AND LOBBY ON THURSDAY and FRIDAY

STUDENT OFFICERS: PREPARATORY MEETING ON THURSDAY:

The student officers will meet for a preparatory meeting where they will get to know the DSAMUN procedures during our conference. This preparatory meeting is mandatory (BBB Room of General Assembly).

BRIEFING

There will be a briefing for all the student officers before and after the committees' session which will take approximately half an hour (BBB Room General Assembly).

This year we will organize an online DSAMUN conference and this should essentially be done via the Moodle platform (<https://dsamoodle.de/dsamun>).

Please note the following general rules during the BBB conferences:

To avoid annoying background noises, MUN Advisors, Student Officers, Delegates:

- a. must be in a quiet place without other noises,
- b. it would be good to wear headphones/earphones,
- c. must turn on their microphone only when they allowed to speak.

Every (BBB) Online conference starts with a greeting and ends with a farewell. So everyone starts with picture and sound at the beginning, then follows the phase where the students have the camera and the sound turned off (unless they have to talk) and the teleconference closes again with an open camera and microphones from everyone.

The Chairs (it would be good if the MUN Advisors did the same) will check the presence of the delegates in their Committees at the beginning and end of the teleconference and provide the absences to the DSAMUN Secretariat (secretariatdsamun@gmail.com).

Rules of conduct during an online conference:

The conduct of behaviour includes no disrespect towards the chairs or other members of the committee or members of the conference. This also includes that you switch off your microphone when not speaking and don't interrupt the speeches of others. This online conference requires another form of discipline that a conference staged at our school does not require. So please respect the rules of conduct in your own interest and that of your fellow participants.

It is forbidden to take photos or videos or live recording of the ongoing conference as this violates the personal rights on your own data.

Every single member of this conference is given a code to enter the platform. You are not allowed to forward that code to another person or share the code with someone else.

Approval Panel

The Resolution Processing is entirely digitalised. The Approval Panel for all committees will be in the BBB computer room. Delegates must obtain 10 co-submitters for their draft resolution send it to the DSAMUN Secretariat per email (secretariatdsamun@gmail.com).

Mobile Phones/Portable Audio Equipment

Cellular phones must be **switched off in all committees at all times**. Portable audio equipment must also be turned off during all meetings.

Message Communication within larger forums (BBB Rooms Public/Private Chat)

Each message on Public Chat (as well on Private Chat, please!) must be written on **official and appropriate delegation stationery**. The name and the section of the receiving delegation must be clearly written. Messages will be screened and “thrown away” if they contain improper messages. Disciplinary action may be taken by the Student Officers against any delegates abusing the system (Block Public/Private Chat). There will be no messenger service between committees.

Opening Ceremony

The Opening & the Closing Ceremony will take place in the BBB Opening & Closing Ceremony Room I & Room II.

BBB Opening & Closing Ceremony Room I	BBB Opening & Closing Ceremony Room II
ICJ	GA3
GA1	GA4
GA2	GA6
ECOSOC	Environmental Committee
Security Council	Youth Assembly
Special Conference	

Part of the Opening Ceremony will be speeches of ambassadors of the **embassies** in Athens as well as a speech of our headmistress or guest speakers. We expect the students to be attentive during the ceremony.

Smoking Areas

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the school premises.
Smoking is not permitted during the BBB conferences.

Procedure for processing resolutions

The Procedure for processing resolutions through Approval Panel:

1. Discuss **your draft resolution with other delegates during Lobbying and agree on additions, deletions or mergers.**
2. Obtain a **co-submitter sheet** from your Chair and have it signed by a minimum number of delegates - you need **at least 10 signatures of different countries.**
3. **Type up** the merged resolutions in the **computer room**. You have to register for a computer, register with the computer staff, type the resolutions (only **2 delegates per resolution**), register it again with the computer staff. They will give the resolution a **D-Number**.
4. The **computer staff** will print out **2 copies**, one for your **Chair**, one for **you**.
5. Go to your **Chair** and have it **approved**. Chairs will check the draft resolutions for consistency with the UN Charter and for plagiarism (copying from previous resolutions). If approved, the Chair will sign the draft resolution. He will keep one copy for himself.
6. Go with the signed draft resolution to the **Approval Panel** (next computer room). **Register** with the **computer staff**. One teacher will correct grammar and spelling of the resolution **together with one delegate per resolution**.
7. **Computer staff** will **register** the corrected version and give it an **A-(Approved)**.
8. **Computer staff** will print out **3 copies**: one for you, one for the computer staff, one for photocopying for the committee.
9. Return to your committee, inform your Chair that your resolution has been approved and wait for it to be discussed.
10. **Please observe the following rule:** You may **submit** or **co-submit** only one resolution on any one issue, i.e. you may sign altogether 3 resolutions, but on three different topics.

General rules

All delegates should be aware that the rules are intended to facilitate debate and to accord to all members their democratic right to voice an opinion. The Student Officers will apply the rules to this end and will not tolerate the abuse or misuse of the rules for obstructive or restrictive purposes.

United Nations Charter Delegations should, at all times, act in accordance with the articles and principles of the United Nations Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Diplomacy Each delegate must act according to diplomatic norms, including the duty to:

- respect the decisions of the Chair at all times;
- obtain the floor before speaking;
- stand when speaking;
- yield the floor when the Chair requests it;
- be courteous at all times;
- avoid the use of insulting or abusive language.

Opening Speeches Each delegation will have the floor of his/ her committee for one minute, before the committee commences with lobbying. This should be treated as a serious occasion. The delegation's opening speech must be representative of their nation's policy on each of the committee's topics.

Right of Reply to Opening Speeches Following the delivery of seven opening speeches, two rights of reply will be entertained by the President. Such replies must refer to one of the preceding opening speeches.

Parliamentary Procedure Expect where otherwise adapted or limited by conference by-laws, Robert's Rules of parliamentary procedure are used. In general, the Student Officers will know the proper procedure, how to apply the rules. They are available to give help and information and delegates should not be afraid to ask for clarification or explanation of the rules. This is most easily done by rising to a point of order, a point of information to the Chair or a point of parliamentary enquiry. At most conferences, such points are not allowed to interrupt a speech.

Powers of the President/ Chair during Formal Debate The President/ Chair will propose the limitation of debate time for each motion. When debate time has been exhausted, the President/ Chair will propose either the extension of debate time or the closure of debate and subsequent vote on the question being considered (the Previous Question).

Since a high degree of consensus is aimed at, open debate is the norm except on really contentious issues, where the President/ Chair may propose closed debate.

The President/ Chair may, in the interest of debate or in order to work towards consensus, call upon a particular

delegation to speak, even if they have not requested the floor. The President/ Chair may also, for the same purposes, restrict the speaking time of an individual delegate. The limitations of debate time will include the time taken for replies to points of information but will not include the time taken for questions put to the speaker or for other interruptions.

The President/ Chair will announce the guillotine time (the absolute maximum debate time for any resolution) to the assembly.

The President/ Chair may call recesses or adjournments. A two-thirds vote against the Chairs decision is required for such an appeal to be upheld.

Quorum

A majority of the total membership of each forum shall constitute a quorum.

Amendments to the Agenda & to Resolutions

Amendments can only be submitted by a speaker who has the floor. Proposed amendments to the agenda may be submitted in each forum at the start of business. The purpose of proposed amendments to the resolutions is to improve the resolution with the object of achieving a wider consensus. When an amendment is moved to a proposal, the amendment is voted on before the vote is taken on the main motion. If a second amendment (amendment to the amendment) is moved, it will be voted on before the vote is taken on the main amendment. If the adoption of the second amendment necessarily implies the acceptance or rejection of the first amendment, the first amendment is not put to the vote.

Referring a Resolution or Question

A resolution or question may be referred to another Council, Commission or Committee e.g. to the Security Council. The desirability of referral is debatable. It requires a majority vote.

Reconsideration and Tabling

Once a resolution has been formally adopted or rejected by a vote of the assembly concerned, it may only be reconsidered after all business on the agenda has been dealt with, and normally requires a two-thirds majority in favor of reconsideration.

Tabling, or laying a resolution on the table temporarily disposes of it. A motion to table a resolution is not debatable and requires only a simple majority in favor. A two-thirds majority is needed to take matters from the table, however.

Yielding the Floor to the other delegations

The floor may be yielded by one delegation to another only once consecutively.

Rising to Points

- A Point of Personal Privilege must refer to the comfort and well being of the delegate. It may not refer to the content of any speech and may only interrupt a speaker if the speech is inaudible.
- A Point of Order may relate to procedural matters only.

- A Point of Information may be directed to the Chair or to the speaker who has the floor if he has indicated that he is willing to yield to points of information. A point of information must be formulated as a question, although a short introductory statement of reference may precede the question. A. Follow-up question or series of questions from the same questioner are usually not in order.
- A Point of Parliamentary Enquiry is a point of information directed to the Chair concerning the rules of procedure.
- A speech may not be interrupted by any point except a point of personal privilege referring to audibility.
- All other points are dealt with only when the speaker yields the floor either to points of information to another delegate, or to the President/ Chair.

The Previous Question

Moving the Previous Question calls for the closure of debate and for a vote to be taken on the motion pending. It may be moved by the President/ Chair or a speaker who has the floor.

Voting

- Only member states of the United Nations may vote. In the event of a close result, the President/ Chair may institute a roll-call vote, in which each member's name is called in turn and its vote recorded.
- After the President/ Chair has announced the start of voting procedures, no interruptions will be allowed except for points of order connected with the actual conduct of the voting.
- Abstentions do not count either for or against the adoption of a motion, i.e. a resolution will pass if the number for exceeds the number against regardless of the number of abstentions.
- Veto Rights: The Security Council will apply the special provisions concerning voting as stated in the UN Charter.

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