BISMUN VI 2019

BISMUN VI 2019 is the sixth Model United Nations Conference based at the British International School. Model United Nations provides an opportunity for students to simulate the work of the real United Nations by taking on the role of diplomats and working together to solve problems and issues that affect the world. Every conference has a theme. In 2019, the theme for our Conference is "Nationalism v Globalism: Your place or ours" The students devised this theme so they could investigate a range of topical issues in a world which is global in outlook and yet individual countries seem to want to put their own National interests first.

There will be eight separate Committees covering Human Rights, Economic and Social issues, Disarmament the Security Council, a Historical Council and traditionally looks at issues 30 years previous to the Conference, some General Assembly committees.

The first BISMUN occurred in the tenure of Dr Young and was a simulation on West Africa, it was attended by 50 students and two schools were involved. Since then, it has gone from strength to strength as the students have slowly become more involved in the organisation and administration of the conference. This weekend, 177 delegates, 24 Chairs, 16 Admins, 16 Directors, 8 members of the Secretariat and 8 schools from in and around Jeddah including KAUST and TWA will come together to lobby, debate and vote on resolutions in a spirit of negotiation and cooperation to solve the most pressing issues facing us today. Model United Nations encompasses all that is best in the school mission statement of Learning to Lead, learning to Learn and Learning to Live. It will be a great weekend and a credit to the student body.

Security Council

President Chair: Jad El Ghali [The Situation in the South China Sea]

Assistant President: Zakria A Abu [The Question of the Blockade of Qatar]

Chair: Yasmine Gendy [The Question of the Blockade of Qatar]

Historical Committee

President Chair: Laith Amad [The Situation in China (27 April 1989: Tiananmen Square)]

Assistant President: Salma Fahed Malaikah [The Situation in the German Democratic Republic (9

October 1989: Leipzig demonstrations)]

Chair: Kenzy El-Morsi [The Situation in Panama (21 December 1989: Invasion of Panama by US Troops)]

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Chair: Imaad Bukhari [Implementing Measures to Ensure the Right to Universal Adequate Medical Care]

General Assembly 1

President Chair: Ghina Al-Shadaifat [Measures to Limit Nuclear Proliferation in the Middle East]

Assistant President: Dania Alharbi [The Threat of Cybersecurity to Democracy]

Chair: Arya Kakodkar [The Threat of Cybersecurity to Democracy]

General Assembly 3

President Chair: Sami Fathi [Safeguarding the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Different Communities in a Globalised World]

Assistant President: Shehab Khashoggi [Combating Intolerance, Negative Stereotyping, Stigmatisation, Incitement to Violence Based on Religious Belief]

Chair: Alanoud Asaad [Combating Intolerance, Negative Stereotyping, Stigmatisation, Incitement to Violence Based on Religious Belief]

General Assembly 4

President Chair: Maryam Shareef [International Cooperation in the Exploration and the Peaceful Use of Outer Space]

Assistant President: Eemaan Abrar [The Question of the Israeli Occupied Territories, Including East Jerusalem]

Chair: Ali Aljuffali [The Question of the Israeli Occupied Territories, Including East Jerusalem]

Human Rights Committee 1

President Chair: Naheda Itani [The Issue of Rising Alt-Right Groups in Europe]

Assistant President: Mohammed A-Shareef [Realising Equality for Ethnic Minorities by Fostering Intercultural Tolerance]

Chair: Abdul Rahman Murad [Implementing Measures to Ensure the Protection of Migrant Children's Human Rights]

Human Rights Committee 2

President Chair: Dana Abuzinadah [The Issue of Rising Alt-Right Groups in Europe]

Assistant President: Elamin Ibrahim [Realising Equality for Ethnic Minorities by Fostering Intercultural Tolerance]

Chair: Sara Alsaleh [Implementing Measures to Ensure the Protection of Migrant Children's Human Rights]

BISMUN Agenda 2019

Thursday 14 March 2019

- 4:00 pm 4.45 p.m. Opening Ceremony
- 4.45 pm 5.00 p.m. Snack Break
- 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm Lobbying
- 6:00 pm to 6:15 pm Coffee Break
- 6:15 pm to 7:30 pm Lobbying
- 7:30 pm Departure

Friday 15th March 2019

- 3.00 pm to 5:00 pm Committees in Session
- 5:00 pm to 5:45pm Meal break
- 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm Committees in Session
- 7:00 pm Departure

Saturday 16th March 2019

- 9:00 am to 10:30 am Committees in Session
- 10.30 11.00 a.m. Coffee Break
- 11.00 12.00 pm Committees in Session
- 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm Committees in Session
- 3:00 pm to 3.45 pm Closing Ceremony
- 4:00 pm Departure



BISMUN IV Admin Handbook







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Provisional Programme of Events

Thursday 9th March 2017

3:30 pm to 4:30 pm 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm 6:00 pm to 6:15 pm 6:15 pm to 7:00 pm 7:00 pm Opening Ceremony Lobbying Coffee Break In Conference Departure

Friday 10th March 2017

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm 5:00 pm to 5:30 pm 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm 7:00 pm Committees in Session Coffee Break Committees in Session Departure

Saturday 11th March 2017

9:00 am to 12:00 pm 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm 4:00 pm Committees in Session Lunch Committees in Session Closing Ceremony Departure





Issues on the Agenda

Political Committee

- o The issue of Hong Kong
- o The question of Kashmir
- o Occupation and settler activity in the Palestinian territories

Human Rights Committee

- o Protection of religious freedom in the Middle East
- o Addressing the issue of child labor globally
- o Management of the human rights of migrants while in transit

Disarmament Committee

- o International arrangements to prevent first-strike nuclear use
- o Curbing illegal supply of weapons to terrorist organizations
- o Implementing action towards explosive remnants of war and landmines

Environmental Committee

- Designing and implementing a response to the rapid rise of Dengue Fever cases in South East Asia
- o Combating the increase in magnitude of sea pollution
- Developing measures to reduce the impact of globalization and industrialization on the environment

Special Conference

- o The reduction of corruption in the implementation of Strategic Development Goals
- Development of strategies to prevent regional spillover of crisis between neighboring countries





Delegations 2017

Argentine Republic Federative Republic of Brazil People's Republic of China French Republic Federal Republic of Germany Hellenic Republic Republic of India Islamic Republic of Iran Italian Republic Japan Republic of Kenya Malaysia Portuguese Republic Russian Federation Republic of Singapore Republic of South Africa Kingdom of Spain United Arab Emirates United Kingdom United States of America





General Behaviour

Although the British International School Model United Nations is an educational exercise intended for young people, delegates are simulating the Councils, Commissions and Conferences of the United Nations.

Thus, for the period of the conference, they must be regarded as diplomats and ambassadors for the country they are representing, as well as representatives of their individual schools. This demands a high standard of personal conduct and behavior from all delegates throughout the duration of the conference.







Points

This allows delegates to suggest that rules have been misused, to ask questions about the rules or the work that the committee is doing, and to ask questions of other delegates who are giving formal speeches (and who have indicated that they will answer questions).

Motions

This guides the work of the committee. They allow the group to make substantive (subject matter) decisions on which agenda item to discuss, to introduce draft resolutions and amendments and to decide when to hold a final vote, among others. Motions also structure the procedural work of the committee, setting speaking times, opening speaker's lists and moving into moderated and unmediated caucuses, for example.

Yields

This relates directly to who speaks. It allows delegates to indicate who gets to speak next at the end of their speeches.





| Rule | Debateable | Vote Required? | Interrupt Speaker? | Description |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--|
| | | Poir | nts | |
| Point of Order | No | No | Yes | Used to point out a misuse of the rules |
| Point of Information | No | No | No | To ask a question of the speaker, at the end of their speech |
| Point of Parliamenta ry Inquiry | No | No | No | To ask for rules or non- rules related clarification from the presiding officer |
| Point of Personal Privilege | No | No | Yes | To inform the chair of a physical discomfort he or she is experiencing, such as not being able to hear another delegate's speech |





| Rule | Debateable | Vote Required? | Interrupt Speaker? | Description |
|---------------------------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------|---|
| | | Moti | ons | |
| Suspension of the Meeting | No | Majority | No | Suspends the formal rules of procedure to allow either moderated or unmediated caucusing. Also used to suspend debate for breaks in the schedule (i.e. for lunch) |
| Introduce an Amendment | No | Majority | No | Brings an unfriendly amendment to the floor for discussion. Opens a new speaker's list of those wishing to speak for and against the amendment, alternating between the two |
| Introduce a Draft Resolution | No | Majority | No | Brings a draft resolution to the floor for discussion |





| Rule | Debateable | Vote Required? | Interrupt Speaker? | Description |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Motions | | | | |
| Set the Agenda | 1 For 1 Against | Majority | No | Chooses which agenda item will be discussed first (only relevant when there is more than one item on the agenda) |
| Request for a Roll Call Vote | No | No | No | Only available when voting on a resolution or amendments. If granted by the presiding officer, member states will be called on in alphabetical order to announce their vote |





| Rule | Debateable | Vote Required? | Interrupt Speaker? | Description |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--|
| | Yields | | | |
| Yield to the Chair | No | No | | The Chair retakes control of the committee |
| Yield to another Delegate | No | No | | Another delegate is allowed to speak until the end of the speaking time (if there are time limits) |
| Yield to Points of Information | No | No | | Allows members of the committee to ask questions of the speaker, until speaking time has expired |





Useful Phrases for Chairs

When asking the house to be quiet:

- o "The house will come to order"
- o "Will the house please come to order!"

When starting the debate:

- o "The chair calls upon the main submitter to read the operative clauses to the house"
- o "The house has heard the motion. Is there a second?"
- o "The Chair sets a debate time of 20 minutes open debate 10 minutes for and 10 minutes against the motion"
- o "The delegate of France the main submitter has the floor"
- o "All points are out of order until the delegate has finished speaking"

When recognizing someone to speak:

- o "The chair recognizes the delegate of Russia"
- o "To what point do you rise?"
- o "Please rise and state your point of information (or order)"

When the question is not clearly stated:

- o "Please state your point in the form of a question"
- o "The speaker appears not to have heard (understood) your question. Will you please repeat (rephrase) your question?"

When asking for further points:

- o "Are there any further points on the floor?"
- o "Are there any further points of information to this speaker?"

When dealing with a point of order:

- o "There's a point of order on the floor. Please rise and state your point"
- o "Your point is (not) well taken"

When asking a speaker to conclude his speech:

o "Will the speaker please make his concluding remarks"





Useful Phrases for Chairs

When concluding debate time:

- o "Debate time for (against) the motion (the amendment) has been exhausted (expired)"
- o "Debate time has expired"
- o "Will the speaker please yield the floor back to the chair or to another delegate?"

When extending debate time:

o "The chair proposes an extension of debate time by 5 minutes for and 5 minutes against the motion"

When concluding debate and moving to the vote:

o "The debate is now closed. We will move into voting procedures. All points are out of order"

When conducting the vote:

- o "The motion will now be put to the vote"
- o "Will all those in favor of the motion (the amendment) (the resolution) please raise their placard, now?"
- o "Will all those opposed to (against) the resolution please raise their placard?"
- o "Are there any abstentions?"
- o "Will all those abstaining please raise their placard?"

When announcing the result:

- o "The motion (amendment) has been carried (passed) by X votes to Y with Z abstentions"
- o "The motion (amendment) has failed (been defeated) by Y votes to X with Z abstentions"





| If a Reading T | <u>Fime is to be Set</u> |
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| Chair: | The house will now come to order. The Chair sets a reading time of minutes for this resolution. (Optional: Please use this time wisely to look over the resolution, highlight areas of concern, and start writing amendments or points of information for this resolution to be sent to quiet delegates) |
| Starting Deba | <u>te</u> |
| Chair: | The Chair now sets an open debate time of minutes on this resolution. Delegate, you now have the floor. |
| Delegate: | (delivers opening speech) |
| Chair: | Thank you Delegate. Is the Delegate open to any points of information? |
| Delegate: | (states any number) |
| Chair: | The Delegate of has opened himself/herself to Points of Information. Are there any in the house at this time? The Delegates of,, and you have been recognized in that order. (It is recommended for Chairs to only call on 3-5 delegates for the first speaker and 2-3 for any subsequent speakers.) |
| Delegates: | (state their Points of Information) |
| Chair: | Thank you. Would the Delegate please yield the floor back to the Chair or to another Delegate? |
| If the Delegat | e Yields the Floor Back to the Chair |
| Chair: | That is in order. The floor is now open. Are there any Delegates that wish to speak on this resolution as a whole? The Delegate of, you have been |



recognized. You now have the floor.



If the Delegate Yields the Floor to Another Delegate

Chair: Does the Delegate accept the yield? That is in order. The Delegate of _____, you

have been recognized. You now have the floor.

Entertaining Amendments

Moving an Amendment

Chair: The floor is open; are there any Delegates wishing to take the floor?

Delegate: The Delegate has submitted an amendment to the first/second degree.

Chair: That is in order. The amendment to the first/second degree reads . The

Chair sets a 12 closed debate time of ___ minutes for and ___ minutes against this amendment to the first/second degree. Delegate, you now have the floor.

When Time For an Amendment has Elapsed

Chair: Time for this amendment to the first/second degree has now elapsed. We will

now move directly into time against this amendment to the first/second degree. Are there any Delegates that wish to speak against this amendment to the

first/second degree?

When Time Against an Amendment has Elapsed

Chair: Time against this amendment to the first/second degree has now elapsed. We

will move directly into voting procedures for this amendment to the first/second degree. Would the admins please suspend note passing. Delegates may vote for





| - | bstaining. With votes for and against and abstaining, this |
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| amendment p | sses/fails. |
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| When Voting | on a Resolution |
| Chair: | Seeing as debate time on this resolution has elapsed, we will now move directle into voting procedures on this resolution as a whole. Would admins please suspend note passing. Delegates may vote for or against or abstain. All Delegates wishing to vote for this resolution please raise your placards now (count votes). All Delegates that wish to vote against this resolution please raise your placards now (count votes). Delegates wishing to abstain on this resolution please raise your placards now (count votes). With votes for, votes against, and abstentions, this resolution passes/fails. |
| If it Passes | |
| Chair: | Clapping is in order. |
| <u>If it Fails</u> | |
| Chair: | Clapping is not in order. |
| Entertaining F | oints of Order / Personal Privilege / Information to the Chair |
| Chair: | There has been a point of order / personal privilege / information to the Chair. |
| Point of Orde | , If the Delegate is Wrong |
| Chair: | Thank you for your point. That is not in order. |





Point of Order, If the Chair is Wrong

Chair: Thank you for your point. The Chair stands corrected.

Point of Personal Privilege Referring to Audibility

Chair: That is in order. Would the speaker please speak louder?

Point of Personal Privilege Referring to Anything Else

Chair: That is in order. (Ask Co-Chair or Admins to assist)

Point of Information to the Chair

Chair: Thank you for your point. (Answer the question to the best of your ability)

Entertaining a Motion

Chair: There has been a motion to . Are there any seconds? Are there any

objections? The motion will be entertained/not entertained.

Entertaining a Motion to Move the Previous Question

Chair: There has been a motion to move the previous question. Are there any seconds?

Are there any objections?

If it is to be Entertained

Chair: That will be entertained. We will now move directly into time against/voting

procedures on this amendment/resolution.





| If it is Not to b | <u>be Entertained</u> |
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| Chair: | That will not be entertained, because (clearly explain why) |
| 🛦 | Entertaining Points of Information |
| If the Delegate | e Opens Himself / Herself to a Number of Points of Information |
| Chair: | The Delegate has opened himself to Points of Information. Are there any Points of Information in the house at this time? |
| If There are Ti | ime Constraints |
| | |
| Chair: | The Delegate has opened himself to any and all points of information, bu due to time constraints the Chair will entertain Are there any Points of Information in the house at this time? |
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| If Delegates D | o Not Open Themselves to Point of Information |
| Chair: | The Delegate has not opened himself/herself to any points of information. As such, would the Delegate please yield the floor to the Chair or to another Delegate? |
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| If There are N | o Points of Information in the House |
| Chair: | Seeing as there are none, would the Delegate please yield the floor back to the Chair or to another Delegate? |





Miscellaneous

Chair: The Chair would like to remind the house that Delegates are required to speak in

third person. Therefore, the use of personal pronouns such as "you" and "I" are

not permitted.

Chair: Would the Delegate please state his/her Point of Information in the form of a

question?

Chair: Would the Delegate please ask only one Point of Information?

Chair: Would the Delegate please repeat/rephrase his/her Point of Information?

Chair: There is to be no direct dialogue between delegates.

Chair: Due to time constraints/in the interest of debate, would the Delegate please yield

the floor back to the Chair?





Further Rules on BISMUN Debates

Chairs have the authority to ask admin staff to escort delegates out of the debate room, provided that the delegate repeatedly exhibits forms of misconduct or undiplomatic practice (such as the use of inappropriate language or neglecting the Chair's authority).







NATIONALISM vs. GLOBALISM

Committees

Human Rights Commission AT

- Subcommission 1 and 2:
 - Topic 1: The Issue of Rising Alt-Right Groups in Europe
 - Topic 2: Realizing Equality for Ethnic Minorities by Fostering Intercultural Tolerance
 - Topic 3: *Implementing measures to ensure the protection of migrant children's human rights*

Economic and Social Council AT

- Commission 1:
 - Topic 1: Assessing Soft Power as a Means to Foster International Diplomacy
 - Topic 2: Ensuring Transnational Corporations [TNCs] pay taxes in the countries where their economic activities occur
 - Topic 3: Implementing measures to ensure the right to universal adequate medical care

General Assembly GW

- GA1: Disarmament and International Security
 - o Topic 1: Measures to limit nuclear proliferation in the Middle East
 - o Topic 2: The threat of cyber interference to democracy
- GA3: Social, Humanitarian and Cultural
 - Topic 1: Safeguarding the intangible cultural heritage of different communities in a globalised world
 - Topic 2: Combating intolerance, negative stereotyping, stigmatization, incitement to violence based on religion or belief
- GA4: Special Political and Decolonization
 - o Topic 1: The question of the Israeli occupied territories, including East Jerusalem
 - Topic 2: International cooperation in the exploration and the peaceful uses of Outer Space

Historical Committee GW

- Commission 1: **1989**
 - o Topic 1: The situation in China [27 April 1989: Tiananmen Square]
 - Topic 2: The situation in the German Democratic Republic [9 October 1989: Leipzig demonstrations]
 - Topic 3: The situation in Panama [21 December 1989: Invasion of Panama by US troops]

Security Council

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