

11<sup>th</sup> Annual AUSMUN February 8 – 10, 2018



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To Whom It May Concern,

The American University of Sharjah Model United Nations (AUSMUN) cordially invites you to participate in our tenth annual Model United Nations conference. It will be held at the American University of Sharjah in the Capital of Islamic Culture and Arab Tourism, Sharjah, the third largest Emirate in the United Arab Emirates.

AUSMUN is a unique and sophisticated MUN conference, attracting participants from all ethnic, national, regional and international backgrounds. AUSMUN is planned with the aim of allowing for the most insightful and educational experience for students from various age groups and educational backgrounds. Through the conference, we hope to give students the opportunity to acquire a diverse skill-set ranging from negotiation and public speaking, to leadership and teamwork. AUSMUN aims to teach students to debate and negotiate matters objectively by representing nation-states and tackling issues through the country's national and foreign policy. The conference also allows for an opportunity for students to network with one another in a social mixer and a gala dinner held at the end of the second and third day, respectively.

Lastly, please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to inquire about visas, accommodations, and/or flights. It is highly recommended you do the aforementioned weeks prior to the conference, as we cannot ensure the availability thereof closer to the time.

In case of any inquiries, please contact us on info@ausmun.com. Sincerely,

Omar AlOwais Director of External Relations

Alia AlHazami Secretary General

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### Conference Details

### Committee Line-up

- 1. First General Assembly (GA1)
- 2. Fourth General Assembly (GA4)
- 3. Sixth General Assembly (GA6)
- 4. Security Council I
- 5. Security Council II
- 6. UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- 7. Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- 8. Human Rights Council (OHCHR)
- 9. United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)
- 10. International Labor Organization (ILO)
- 11. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- 12. World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)
- 13. World Food Programme (WFP)
- 14. The United Nations Trusteeship Council (UNTC)
- 15. Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)
- 16. United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
- 17. World Health Organization (WHO)
- 18. World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)
- 19. United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)
- 20. Special Summit of Futuristic Technology

#### Costs

#### **Registration:**

- Early Registration: AED 200 (Applicable from September 2, 2017 until November 25,
- Regular Registration: AED 250 (Applicable from November 26, 2017 until January 9,
- Advisor Fee: For every 20 delegates, 1 free advisor is permitted. Any additional advisor will be charged the registration fee of AED 100.

#### **Deadlines**:

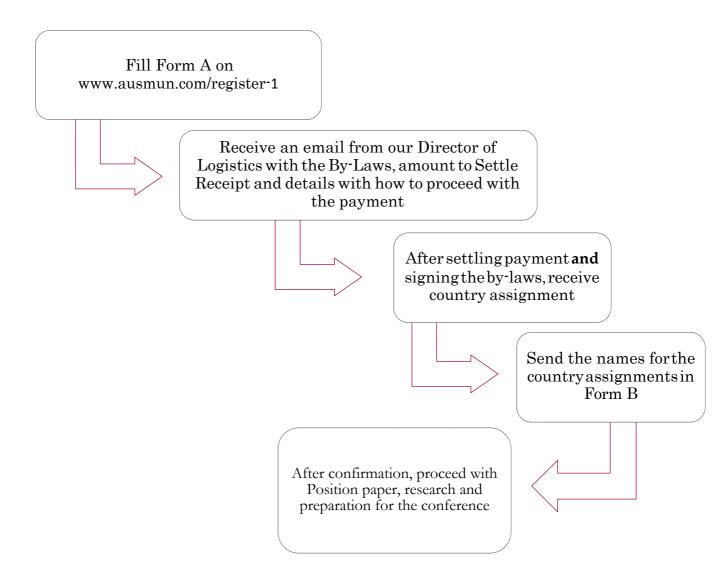
- Name changes and name amendments will not be permitted after January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018
- No registration will be accepted after the 9<sup>th</sup> of January, 2018.

#### **General Information:**

- Schools are not permitted to bring their own photographers nor observers.
- External moderators are subject to the same delegate registration fee and deadlines.
- For international delegates, hotel and airfare booking is their own responsibility. However, we highly recommend Centro Hotel due to its close proximity to the American University of Sharjah campus.



## Registration Process





## About Us

#### American University of Sharjah

Despite being young in age, the American University of Sharjah (AUS) is acclaimed throughout the region for its academic excellence and multicultural campus life.

Founded in 1997 by His Highness Sheikh Dr. Sultan bin Muhammad Al Qasimi, Member of the Supreme Council of the United Arab Emirates and Ruler of Sharjah, the university was envisaged by His Highness as a leading educational institution in the Gulf region. Consciously based upon American institutions of higher education, AUS is thoroughly grounded in Arab culture and is part of a larger process of the revitalization of intellectual life in the Middle East. AUS is an independent, not-for-profit coeducational institution that is proud of its role as a leading comprehensive coeducational university, serving students from the region and around the world. (https://www.aus.edu/info/200124/about\_aus)

#### American University of Sharjah Model United Nations (AUSMUN)

In 2007, AUS participated in the Harvard Model United Nations, the largest and oldest of its kind in the world. We were able to learn first-hand about different aspects of the international political system and grasp our role as citizens of the world. Marking the 10th anniversary of AUS, local high schools in the United Arab Emirates shared a similar experience with the birth of AUSMUN.

In a course of months, students from AUS worked relentlessly to create a conference that both delegates and advisors would enjoy and dearly remember. We proudly recall the immense success of the first AUSMUN. The delegates left the conference with a significantly improved understanding of international relations and organizations. We strive to replicate that remarkable feeling of accomplishment and satisfaction each year.



## Topics at AUSMUN 2017

#### First General Assembly (GA1)

- 1. Establishing Security Strategies for Countering Cyber Warfare in Digital Age
- 2. Instituting Measures to Control and Monitor Illicit Flow of Small Arms and Weapons

#### Fourth General Assembly (GA4)

- 1. Regulating Non-State Sanctioned Digital Currencies
- 2. A Reconsideration of Poverty Reduction Strategy Papers

#### Sixth General Assembly (GA6)

- 1. Establishing a Legal Framework for the Regulation of Military Drones
- 2. The Question of Criminal Accountability of UN Officials and Experts on Missions

#### **Security Council I**

- 1. Formation of a Transnational Coalition to Resolve the Ongoing Crisis in Syria
- 2. Development of Effective Global Information System to Aid in the War Against Terrorism

#### **Security Council II**

- 1. Nuclear Warfare Threats Arising from the Deteriorating Relations between the United States of America and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea
- 2. The Sanctioned Infusion of Artificial Intelligence into Military Programmes

#### UN High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)

- 1. Economic Integration of Refugees in Asylum Nations
- 2. Protecting the Civil, Political, and Socioeconomic Rights of Refugees

#### **Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)**

- 1. Investing in Science, Technology, and Innovation for the Youth
- 2. Role of Family Planning in Social Development

#### Human Rights Council (OHCHR)

- 1. Privatization and the Human Right to Water
- 2. Role of Technological Development in Human Rights Infringements

#### United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

- 1. Protecting Children's Right to Healthcare and Education During Warfare and Crisis
- 2. The Role of Children in Drug Trafficking

#### **International Labor Organization (ILO)**

- 1. Protecting Laborers Amidst the Transnational Expansion of Export Processing Zones
- Promoting the Rights of Immigrant Workers

#### United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

- 1. Harnessing Data Revolution to Drive Sustainable Development
- 2. Introducing Happiness as a Measure of Development



#### World Intellectual Property of Organization (WIPO)

- 1. Defining and Measuring Access to Knowledge in the Age of Intellectual Property
- 2. Protecting Indigenous People's Intellectual Property in Documenting Traditional Medical Knowledge

#### World Food Programme (WFP)

- 1. Establishing a Framework to Increase the Supply of Food Through Technology
- 2. Water and Food Security

#### The United Nations Trusteeship Council (UNTC)

- 1. Establishing Self Governance and Independence of the Pacific Islands
- 2. Shifting the Mandate to Encompass Issues of Environmental Integrity and the Protection of Global Commons

#### Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)

- 1. Women's Right to Sexual and Reproductive Health
- 2. Intimate Partner Mental, Physical, and Sexual Violence Against Women

#### UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)

- 1. Engaging and Empowering Youth through Access to Technology and Media
- 2. Safeguarding Cultural Heritage of War Torn Nation States

#### World Health Organization (WHO)

- 1. Illegal Organ Trade
- 2. Sustainable Vaccine Practices and Financing

#### World Tourism Organization (UNWTO)

- 1. Promoting Ecotourism as a Poverty Reduction Strategy
- 2. Exploitation of Children in Tourism

#### United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)

- 1. Combating the Threat of Space Junk and Orbital Debris Collisions
- 2. The Privatization of Space Exploration

#### Special Summit of Futuristic Technology

- 1. Mission to Mars
- 2. The Weaponization of Space

## Tentative Schedule

#### Thursday, February 8

#### 3:30 PM to 5:00 PM

Arrival and Registration Main Rotunda

#### 5:00 PM to 7:00

Opening Ceremony Main Auditorium

#### 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

First Committee Session Allocated Committee Halls

#### Friday, February 9

#### 2:30 PM to 4:00 PM

Second Committee
Session
Allocated Committee
Halls

#### 4:00 PM to 4:30 PM

Coffee Break TBA

#### 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM

Third Committee Session Allocated Committee Halls

#### 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Social Event TBA

#### Saturday, February 10

#### 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Fourth Committee
Session
Allocated Committee
Halls

#### 12:00 PM to 1:30 PM

Lunch Break TBA

#### 1:30 PM to 4:00 PM

Fifth Committee Session Allocated Committee Halls

#### 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony TBA