



BEIMUN XXIX

Leadership through Coopetition

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Letter of Invitation



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BEIMUN XXIX

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Foreword from the Secretariat

Dear Directors,

We're delighted to announce that the 29th annual Beijing Model United Nations conference is now in preparation. BEIMUN XXIX will be hosted from February 24th to 27th, 2022 - totally online.

Our website is now fully updated to include committees, topics, form I and chair applications, and more. Be sure to click on the appropriate tab.

The theme for this year's conference will be: "Leadership through Coopetition". An explanation for this year's theme can be found in a later section of this letter.

BEIMUN has a proud history of serving as a platform for global-minded debate and discussion amongst the leaders of tomorrow. We hope to see you join us in this engaging experience next February.

Sincerely,
BEIMUN XXIX Secretariat



Eric Xie
Secretary



Statement of Purpose

"The Model United Nations program in Beijing is an extension of The Hague International Model United Nations (THIMUN). As an affiliate, BEIMUN seeks to reflect the ideas and principles of a peaceful post-Cold War world. The Coordinators of the program believe that this world order more accurately reflects the original motives of the authors of the 1945 San Francisco Charter than events following the Potsdam Conference of the same year. It is our hope that BEIMUN will continue to act as another regional centre of THIMUN conference affiliates helping to revitalize the original ideals of the United Nations.

Current events confirm that the attitudes and voting patterns of the United Nations members are changing. Hence, at BEIMUN, the diplomat of any member state, no matter how large or small, rich or poor, who exercises independence of character and a critical mind, can truly serve his nation honorably in a great experiment in world community. The individual delegate's efforts at communication and behavior will be the most important factors in the drive for a better world and a quality MUN conference. Any delegate who sits idly by weakens his/her own nation's significance in this simulation and therefore the forum as well.

MUN teachers have the daunting instructional task of destroying stereotypes to free students to think and communicate both as delegates and diplomats of a world community. Those with so called non-essential countries, and those with spotlighted countries have equally difficult tasks. Some of you, who view the conference and events on the world stage, think they know the correct position of the spotlighted countries, and that the other countries have little or nothing to contribute. The history of the United Nations in the 1980's, points to the folly of such thinking. This attitude must be overcome if schools are to contribute to establishing the best precedents for future world citizens.

We ask for your understanding, cooperation, and quality work in preparation and participation in order to uphold the principles described above. Victory belongs to all of the delegates at the conference who negotiate the best solutions possible to the most complex issues of this new era in which we live. I do believe that the day is coming when THIMUN and their affiliates become the voice of the youth of this planet and that you, BEIMUN delegates, will have the opportunity to contribute to the shaping of our world."

– Irwin Stein, Founder of BEIMUN, January 1993

About the International School of Beijing

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The International School of Beijing (ISB) is a private international coeducational day school located in Shunyi District, Beijing, China. ISB has a history of excellence that spans more than 40 years. We are proud of our vibrant, culturally diverse community, where each day 1,650 students representing over 50 countries engage in challenging and joyful learning. Research-based programs, high-quality teaching, and outstanding and ever-improving facilities mean students at ISB are being prepared for success in a world that keeps changing at a breathtaking pace. To learn more, visit <https://www.isb.bj.edu.cn/>.



Conference Theme

Leadership through Coopetition



The contemporary global political stage is unfortunately characterized by conflict, polarization, and nationalism. The global pandemic has only exacerbated the situation by sowing seeds of hostility and suspicion into people, governments, and systems. Even the United Nations, the world's foremost platform for finding common ground and arriving at global solutions to complex issues, faces the threat of national leaders who refuse to engage in diplomacy and who respond to problems with calls for protectionism and isolationism. In the midst of all this, we believe that our unity as a human race must transcend political disagreement to find innovative solutions by fostering a healthier approach to competition - one that is based on cooperation and respect. Although "coopetition" is a term originally derived from business, we believe that this approach holds a great deal of promise far beyond it, allowing countries to build on one another's strengths by creating synergistic relationships for the benefit of all.



Committee & Topics

General Assembly (GA)

- Establishing measures of cooperation among member states to achieve the sustainable development goals
- The question of multinational infrastructure initiatives

Second General Assembly (GA2)

- Promoting the concept of cooperation among national space agencies
- Bolstering disaster preparedness in the face of increasing risk of environmental disasters

Environmental Commission (ENV)

- Bolstering multinational efforts in environmental projects and initiatives
- Measures to suppress the Anthropocene extinction

Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)

- The question of declining birth rates and ageing populations in MEDCs
- The question of fair trade

Human Rights Council (HRC)

- Protecting the human rights of sexual orientation and gender identity minorities
- The question of the status of environmental refugees

Disarmament Commission (DIS)

- Strengthening international agreements surrounding biological warfare
- Implementing measures to ensure the safe disposal of explosive remnants of war

World Health Assembly (WHA)

- The question of vaccine passports
- Addressing the rising academic stress of students

Security Council (SC)

- The question of the situation in the Tigray region
- Alleviating tensions between Russia and Ukraine



Registration and Deadlines

Pre-registration Opens (Form 1): **Already Opened**

Chair Applications Due: **November 7th, 2021**

Director's Recommendation Due: **November 12th, 2021**

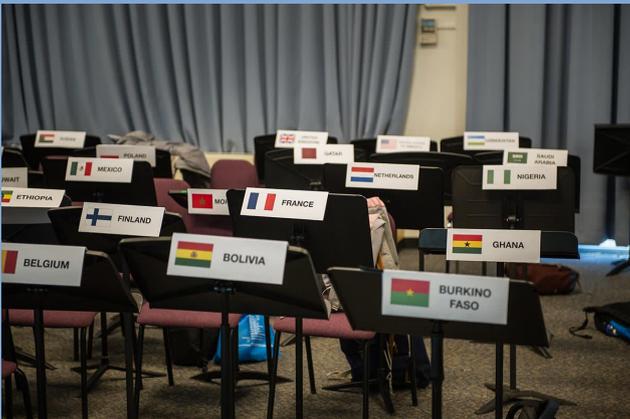
Chair Positions Announced and Pre-registration Closes: **November 26th, 2021**

Delegations and Committees Assignments (Form 2) Released: **December 17th, 2021**

Student Registration Closes (Form 2): **January 14th, 2021**

Chair Reports Published: **January 29th, 2022**

Last Date for Changes on Form 2: **February 4th**



"Feedback from our small group of delegates has been overwhelmingly positive, thank you for organising the conference and being so flexible with how it was run. We hope to join again in future years."

- Feedback from BEIMUN XXVIII

"I made a strong bond with my committee members, as well as my chairs. Thank you for bringing this unprecedented MUN into life, especially during this pandemic. Thank you so much! and I am looking forward to seeing you next year!"

- Feedback from BEIMUN XXVIII



Conference Details

Since BEIMUN XXIX will be hosted entirely online, the conference will be free for all participants.



Online Platforms

BEIMUN XXIX will use Microsoft Teams as the primary platform that the conference will be hosted on, alongside MUN One, where note-passing and other logistical tasks will be conducted.



FAQs

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Q: When does BEIMUN XXIX take place?

A: BEIMUN CHINA is a four-day conference, taking place from February 24th - 27th, 2022.

Q: Who can attend BEIMUN China?

A: BEIMUN XXIX is a high-level conference designed for high school students and experienced middle school delegates. Students must attend as a part of a teacher-led delegation from their school, we cannot accept independent registrations

Q: How do I register for BEIMUN XXIX?

A: Form 1 for BEIMUN XXIX is now available on our website <https://www.beijingmun.org> under the "Registration" tab.

Q: What is the language of the conference?

A: The conference will be conducted in English.

Q: What are the registration deadlines?

A: The final due date for Form 1 (pre-registration) is July 9th, 2021, in which schools are required to provide an estimate of how many delegates and directors they intend to bring to BEIMUN China.

Q: What platforms will BEIMUN XXIX use?

A: BEIMUN XXIX will use Microsoft Teams and MUN One as the primary platforms for the conference.

Q: Can students from participating schools apply for leadership positions?

A: Yes. While the secretariat and head admin positions are always held by ISB students, students from other schools may apply for chair positions through the Student Officer Applications page under the Registration tab on our website.

Q: Does BEIMUN follow THIMUN rules of procedure?

A: Yes. BEIMUN is a THIMUN-affiliated conference, and all debate is run according to THIMUN protocol.

For any additional questions/ concerns, please refer to the FAQs section on our website, <https://www.beijingmun.org/faq>, or send us an email at kmaloney@isb.bj.edu.cn.



