

# Respected MUN/Debate Director:

The International School of Panama (ISP) is proud to invite you to join us for the 30th annual session of the Panama Model United Nations (PANAMUN), which will be held on October 19-21st on the campus of the International School of Panama.

As the largest and oldest Model United Nations conference in Central America, we are devoted to growing our impact within the global Model United Nations community. PANAMUN is also the only local conference affiliated to the esteemed THIMUN (The Hague International Model United Nations) Organization. As an affiliate, we value the idea of introducing a passion for improving our global community into today's youth. We are keen on highlighting collaboration and diversity; an important component of ISP's culture.

This year's Secretariat team will be comprised of:

- Martin Vivone (Secretary General)
- Andreina Correa (DSG of High School)
- Andrea Gomez (DSG of High School)
- Maria Fernanda Gonzalez (DSG of Middle School)
- Raul Endara (DSG of Middle School)
- Antonio Dominguez (DSG of Special Committees)
- Hannah Baker (DSG of External Affairs)
- Gabriel Naor (DSG of Marketing and Communications)
- Maria Jose Sanchez (DSG of Admin Staff)
- Giordana Perez (DSG of MUN Impact)

The theme for this year's PANAMUN is **A New Beginning**. PANAMUN has always always been a platform to celebrate unity, diversity, and change. Now as the world works to emerge from the pandemic, humanity needs these values now more than ever. Amid the innovation and resilience responsible for progress against COVID, other challenges have not stopped. Climate change, corruption, hunger, unemployment, and other issues did not take a break during the pandemic. As Melinda Gates notes, "This pandemic has magnified every existing inequality in our society – like systemic racism, gender inequality, and poverty." We must work together to solve these issues because change is needed for a new beginning. Change, built on the lessons learned from recent crises and the more distant but still resonant echoes of history, is imperative. We need change that harnesses humanity's greatest potential, to innovate and create a better world. PANAMUN, on its 30th anniversary, looks to unite the youth and spark A New Beginning.

Here at the International School of Panama, we are keen on highlighting diversity, and all the different perspectives it can offer. That is why we offer a large variety of committees including

those in English, Spanish, and a Middle School section of the conference. In addition to that, we also offer a variety of Special Committees for more experienced delegates and a MUN Impact committee that focuses on taking action regarding the 17 SDGs.

This year, we will be offering the following committees:

## **English:**

- United Nations Security Council (UNSC)\*
- International Court of Justice (ICJ)\*
- Historical Crisis Committee (HCC)\*
- Human Rights Council (HRC)
- United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC)
- World Health Organization (WHO)
- Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)
- United Nations Commission on Science and Technology for Development (UNCSTD)
- United Nations Peacebuilding Commission (UNPBC)
- United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs (UNOOSA)
- United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)
- Social, Cultural, and Humanitarian Committee (SOCHUM)
- Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ)
- United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)
- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)
- MUN Impact Committee

#### <u>Español:</u>

- Organización Mundial de la Salud (OMS)
- Consejo de Derechos Humanos (CDH)
- Commission de Drogas y Crimen (CDN)
- Asamblea nacional (AN)

### **Middle School:**

- Human Rights Council (HRC)
- World Health Organization (WHO)
- Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ)
- United Nations Security Council (UNSC)

Unlike past years, we will not be holding applications for the Security Council (UNSC), Historical Crisis Committee (HCC), International Court of Justice (ICJ), or our new asamblea nacional committee. Instead, we will be asking MUN advisors to assign these placements to the most experienced and passionate students.

#### **Registration and Cost Information:**

To register for the conference <u>please click here and complete the google form</u>. This form will also be posted on our website: <u>www.panamun.org</u>. The conference will have limited space.

<sup>\*</sup>for experienced delegates only

Below are the costs for participation in the conference:

School Delegation Fee: 260.00 USD
Individual Delegate Fee: 90.00 USD
MUN Director/Advisor Fee: 90.00 USD

• Visiting Chair fee: 50 USD

Late Registration Fee will be applied after <u>September 16th</u>, <u>2022</u>: 50 USD

Fees include all supplies (i.e. notepads, pens, placards, and ID badges) and lunch for all three days.

### Questions and Contact Information:

If you have any comments, questions, or concerns about the conference, please do not hesitate to contact the PANAMUN 30 Secretariat by email at <a href="mailto:secretariat@isp.edu.pa">secretariat@isp.edu.pa</a>, or visit our official website at <a href="mailto:www.panamun.org">www.panamun.org</a>. Secondary contacts are ISP's PANAMUN Coordinators, Mrs. Aura Stella Urroz M. at <a href="mailto:aurroz@isp.edu.pa">aurroz@isp.edu.pa</a> or Mr. Chris Miller at <a href="mailter@isp.edu.pa">cmiller@isp.edu.pa</a>. For questions about the MUN Program at ISP you can contact our MUN Coordinator, Ms. Tiffany Mozes at <a href="mailto:tmozes@isp.edu.pa">tmozes@isp.edu.pa</a>.

We also encourage you and your delegates to follow us on our social media pages for updates on our officers' preparation and for pictures during the conference:

Instagram: panamun

Facebook: Panama Model United Nations (PANAMUN)

We are very excited about this year's conference, and we look forward to hearing from your school.

Best regards,

Martin Vivone Secretary General PANAMUN: A New Beginning

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