

Invitation letter

On behalf of the Secretariat, the Organisers' Team and the International Diplomatic Student Association it is a great pleasure to invite you to the fourth annual session of Budapest International Model United Nations held in Budapest, the capital city of Hungary between 11-15 April.

Nowadays several conferences are organised in almost every country of the world and it is a special honour for us to welcome every participant year by year. During these conferences young delegates as diplomats have the chance to familiarize with international topics concerning our world's current issues of global importance.

Since 2011 our conference has welcomed more than 800 delegates from 20 countries of 4 continents and last year it was widened with a university level conference. With this leap forward we were able to welcome not only high schools but also universities in order to create and maintain a wider relationship with the Model United Nations community. This year one of our aims is having a conference consisting of two equally large and prestigious parts.

The Organiser Team would like to provide the most richest scale of committees during the sessions thus we would like to have some special commissions besides the regular ones such as the International Criminal Court or the Historical Security Council.

Besides the professional parts we also would like to highlight the semi-formal and the spare-time activities during your stay in Budapest. It is our definite aim to be sure that the delegations have every opportunity to get to know our capital and our country, to get relaxed after the hardworking sessions and to have fun during building relations with other delegates. For this purpose many social events will take place such as a Diplomats' Soirée, an Official Closing Party or the Official Closing Ceremony.

The organisers of the university level have graduated from the organising school of the high school level conference, Eötvös József Secondary School, and are students at Hungary's top universities studying law, social or business studies. This provided them with the appropriate background to be responsible for creating a successful conference. Two of the most prestigious universities of Budapest, namely the Corvinus University Budapest and the ELTE Faculty of Law are supporting the organization of the University level and are giving place to the sessions and several events of the conference. The main organiser of BIMUN University level will be the International Diplomatic Student Association which is a university organisation created by previous BIMUN organisers after the high school experiences.

During the whole time of the conference, from the arrival until the departure time, a Hungarian supervisor will be at your delegation's disposal in order to help in every way and avoid any inconveniences. They will know all the information necessary during your stay, will organise your housing, guide you in the city and take you to the official events of the conferences. You will be able to contact them at any time during your stay.

General information

Conference date: 11-15 April, 2014

Program:

Arrival should be on 10th April (In case of participating in the 'Day 0 Program' arrival should be on 9th April)

11th April – Opening Ceremony

12-14th April – Committee sessions

15th April – General Assembly, Closing Ceremony

Departure should be on 16th April

Conference fees:

- **80 EUR - international delegate** (includes airport transfer, public transport ticket, lunch for three days, snacks for the General Assembly, Delegates Handbook)
- **65 EUR - Hungarian delegate** (includes lunch for three days, snacks for the General Assembly, Delegates Handbook)
- *30 EUR - MUN-Directors* (includes public transport ticket - optional)
- *Day 0 Program – 10 EUR*

Maximum size of a delegation: 15 people

The 'Day 0 Program':

Since we would like to provide our guests with the best opportunities to get a professional insight into the work of the United Nations , this year we decided to widen our scope of activities with a 'Day 0 Program' which will be organised on April 10. There delegates will be able to take part in a workshop in order to get to know our Rules of Procedure better, to listen to lectures held by university teachers and other professionals in the topics and to acclimatize to the atmosphere of the city before the start of the conference. This day will be facultative thus we would like to ask delegations to indicate their participation at the registration.

Accommodation

We are offering a wide range of hotels, hostels and youth hostels from different categories, where delegations can stay at a reduced price due to the cooperation with the Mellow Mood Hotels. Please visit our website for further information!

We encourage delegations wishing to stay at a hostel to make a booking at the recommended hotels and get 10 % discount from the best available daily rate of every hotel. You can find the Hotel Guide enclosed with our invitation letter.

If the cost of the accommodation balks anyone plan to participate in our conference we may offer our host family-program where each delegate will stay in a home of a Hungarian student. Please note that a limited number of host families is available so we kindly ask you if you find any of the hotel offers acceptable, please indicate during the registration.

We hope that many schools can participate in the conference, therefore we ask for your cooperation!

Deadlines and important dates

Registration deadline: 15th December, 2013

In the first step of the registration delegations are asked to determine the number of expected delegates and MUN-directors planning to bring and the type of accommodation they would like to be placed.

School fees due: 10th January

Agenda is released on 25th January

This time committees and their topics are released and delegations also get the countries they will be representing during the conference.

Registration second step deadline: 10th February

In the registration's second step information of the participants are requested with the committee arrangement between delegates from the particular school.

Position paper due: 5th March

In order to create a professional conference with appropriately prepared delegates, each and every representative shall write a position paper on one of their agenda item.

Working paper due: 25th March

To ensure the quality of the sessions delegates are asked to write a working paper for one topic in order to arrive to the conference well-prepared enough.

Apply as a chair

At the conference during the committee sessions the debate is conducted by two or three chairs whose role is to supervise the flow of the dispute bearing in mind the official guide of the conference, called Rules of Procedure.

We are looking for candidates who have already met the basics of an MUN-program as a delegate (or already as a chair) and would like to try themselves in a different role at the university level.

Applications due: 15th November to the pga@bimun.hu

Additional information can be found on our website (www.bimun.hu).

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We hope that you found our conference interesting and we can have a long-lasting cooperation to create something notable in the world. Should you have any question, please look up the BIMUN official web-site (www.bimun.hu) or feel free to send us an e-mail (bimun@bimun.hu), we are available at any time!

Yours Sincerely,

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