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BOOKLET



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WHAT IS A MUN?

A *Model United Nations* is a simulation of the Committees works of the United Nations.

Each participant acts as delegate of a member country of the United Nations, representing its positions and the legislative decisions in order to find common solutions, having a debate with the other countries.

When was it organized for the first time?

The first simulation of an international organization occurred before the foundation of the United Nations. In the twenties, some students took part in a simulation of the League of Nations. The schedule that nowadays regulates the MUNs actually derives from these early experiences, when it was first compiled.

Who can participate?

The popularity of the Model United Nations is continuously increasing and more than 400.000 students of intermediate, secondary school and university all over the world take part in these simulations every year. A great number of current leaders participated in the Model United Nations during their academic career.

Some sessions take place in classrooms of a school while others are organized at a regional, national or even international level.

Who is a Model United Nations delegate?

A delegate is a student who acts as an ambassador at the United Nations during a simulation. The candidate does not need any experience in the field of the international relations, everyone can actually decide to participate provided that he/she has the ambition to learn something new and to work with the other delegates to make the world a better place.

OUR HISTORY

A delegation of 10 students of Liceo Scientifico G. Oberdan, Trieste had the opportunity to take part in the FoscaMUN 2016 in Venice, a simulation of the United Nations organized by the Liceo Marco Foscarini.

Internationality, diplomacy and great reliability are what we retained. The great enthusiasm inspired our desire to create something similar, an event aiming to involve a considerable number of schools and many of students coming from all over the world.

OberMUN 2018 involved great part of our school, from the younger students to the veterans of the final year.

The events took place in the Palace of Regione Friuli Venezia Giulia with the participation of students from different cities, regions, and countries.

75 delegates, divided into 5 committees have worked hard for three days to elaborate a final resolution for each one of the topics presented .

It has been a widely recognised success for an unprecedented event in our town.



DELEGATES

Delegates debate the MUN topics and issues: each school sends a number of delegates who participate in the committees together with the delegates of the hosting school.

The main body of the MUN consists of committees dealing with various topics, made up of a number of delegates, each representing one Nation (or an NGO), so a given country (or organization) may be represented by several delegates each one serving on a different committee. The main goal of the debate is to come to proposals agreements or solutions regarding the issues discussed and to formalize them in a Resolution Paper. The debate is led and moderated by the Chairs, and all the participating delegates must adhere to a strict protocol in order to maintain the discussion flow, maintain a diplomatic and respectful behaviour and allow each delegate to speak and state their position.



THE DELEGATES' VOICE

“An opportunity. OberMUN was an opportunity for me. To discuss, to inform me, to collaborate, but above all to understand: how to better understand the world if not simulating those who govern it? Now I can say I understand it better than I ever did.”

Luca Ipsale

“OberMun was a very engaging and informative experience that led me to a maturation in knowledge and use of the English language, in the ability to dialogue, debate and solve problems exposing my opinions and listening to those others.”

Andrea Calzolari

“Obermun was a fantastic experience, in which I had the opportunity to meet wonderful people, not just Italians. With my friends, I managed to share projects, ideas, and dreams. Furthermore, the organization of the MUN proved to be excellent from all points of view. For all these reasons I will remember OberMun as one of the most formative and stimulating experiences of my life.”

Emanuele Diodà

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