



PANAMUN XXIX

Recovering Hope



Respected MUN Advisor:

The International School of Panama (ISP) is proud to invite you to join us for the 29th annual session of the Panama Model United Nations (PANAMUN), which will be held on October 20-22 as an online conference on Zoom.

PANAMUN is the largest and oldest Model United Nations conference in Central America and is also the only local conference affiliated with the esteemed THIMUN (The Hague International Model United Nations) Organization. As an affiliate, we value the idea of giving the youth an opportunity to find their voices and engage with big-picture ideas. Our conference provides a stage for young minds who share the desire to change the world to discuss current world issues and create a gateway towards global consciousness through diversity and unity.

This year's Secretariat team will be comprised of:

- Ekaterina Korabelnikova (Secretary General)
- Martin Vivone (DSG of High School)
- Corina Calcaño (DSG of High School)
- Paula Roldan (DSG of Middle School)
- Vinicius da Paixao (DSG of Middle School)
- Arhan Chhabra (DSG of Special Committees)
- Paul Rauschkolb (DSG of External Affairs)
- Gloria Lan (DSG of Marketing and Communications)
- Soyeon Choo (DSG of Admin Staff)
- Diego Rios (DSG of MUN Impact)

The theme for PANAMUN XXIX is **Recovering Hope**. Our world is slowly emerging from the COVID pandemic, a tumultuous, relentless, and despairful journey that we have started to overcome. Millions of lives have been lost, polarization became a prominent part of our society, as hatred and angst spread rapidly among us. In isolation and in the presence of such obstacles it has been easy to give up and lose oneself. However, by strengthening our unity we are able to empower ourselves and the people around us to rebuild what we have lost. Through compassion, we now have the opportunity to fight for what we believe in and continue progressing forward. PANAMUN aspires to foster an environment that motivates and inspires its participants to reignite their hope and continue to rise up to the challenges presented to them.

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)*
- ❖ Contemporary Crisis Committee (CCC)*
- ❖ Historical Crisis Committee (HCC)*
- ❖ International Press Corps (IPC)
- ❖ 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

*for experienced delegates only

Español:

- ❖ Organización Mundial de la Salud (OMS)
- ❖ Consejo de Derechos Humanos (CDH)
- ❖ Comisión de Drogas y Crimen (CDN)

Middle School:

- ❖ United Nations Security Council (UNSC)
- ❖ World Health Organization (WHO)
- ❖ Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ)
- ❖ Human Rights Council (HRC)
- ❖ United Nations Environmental Programme (UNEP)
- ❖ Social, Cultural, and Humanitarian Committee (SOCHUM)
- ❖ United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)
- ❖ United Nations Peacebuilding Commission (UNPBC)

Unlike past years, we will not be holding applications for the Security Council (UNSC), Historical Crisis (HC), and the Contemporary Crisis (CC) committees. Instead, we will be asking MUN advisors to assign these placements to the most experienced and passionate students. In addition to that, students who have a passion for writing and journalism are encouraged to sign up for the International Press Corps (IPC) committee which will be in charge of reporting on their proceedings in committees from the viewpoint of an assigned international news source.

External Chair Applications:

We would like to invite students to apply as foreign chairs for the PANAMUN XXIX conference. To apply, please complete the [application form](#). We will be accepting applications on a rolling basis,

meaning that the earlier the application is sent, the higher chance the student has of getting the role. However, the final deadline will be **June 15th at 11:59 pm EST**.

Registration and Cost Information:

To register for the conference [please click here and complete the google form](#). This form will also be posted on our website: www.panamun.org. The conference will have limited space. High School committees will be capped at 23 delegates and Middle School committees will be capped at 20 delegates.

Delegates and advisor fee: \$25

This fee will help to cover our different platforms and other additional costs related to training.

Questions and Contact Information:

If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the PANAMUN XXIX Secretariat by email at secretariat@isp.edu.pa, or visit our official website at www.panamun.org. Secondary contacts are ISP's PANAMUN Coordinator, Mrs. Aura Urroz at aurroz@isp.edu.pa or the MUN Advisor, Ms. Karen Gaynor at kgaynor@isp.edu.pa, or the MUN Director Mr. Chris Miller at cmiller@isp.edu.pa.

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,

Ekaterina Korabelnikova
Secretary General
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