

## CALL FOR CHAIRS

Between **29 November and 1 December 2024**, the 12th edition of the MUNLawS Model United Nations Conference will be held at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana. The organizing team invites all interested individuals to participate in the conference as **committee directors (chairs)**.

**MUNLawS** is a leading university-level Model United Nations conference in Slovenia, organized annually by the Department of International Law at the Faculty of Law, University of Ljubljana. It is aimed at high school and university students as well as young professionals. So far, 11 conferences have been organized and were attended by more than 1500 delegates from more than 40 countries.

## I. AVAILABLE POSITIONS

Positions are available in the following committees of the 2024 edition of MUNLawS:

a. North Atlantic Council (NATO) (university level) **2 spots** for university applicants;

Topics: (a) Promoting Partnership and Global Security in the Indo-Pacific Region

and (b) 75 years after the Atlantic Treaty – which way forward for NATO?

 b. North Atlantic Council (NATO) (high-school level) **1 spot** for university applicants, **1** spot for high-school applicants;

Topics: (a) Promoting Partnership and Global Security in the Indo-Pacific Region

and (b) 75 years after the Atlantic Treaty – which way forward for NATO?

- c. United Nations General Assembly (university level) 2 spots for university applicants
  Topic: Climate Change and Climate Refugees
- d. United Nations Security Council (university level) **2 spots** for university applicants;

Topics: (a) Sudan Conflict and its Implications for the Sahel Region and (b) Artificial Intelligence and Foreign Information Manipulation and Interference (FIMI) in Global Security Efforts

e. United Nations Security Council (high-school level) **1 spot** for university applicants, **1 spot** for high-school applicants;

Topics: (a) Sudan Conflict and its Implications for the Sahel Region and (b) Artificial Intelligence and Foreign Information Manipulation and Interference (FIMI) in Global Security Efforts



f. Human Rights Council (university and high-school level) **2 spots** for university applicants;

Topics: (a) Gender-based Poverty and (b) Indigenous People's Rights

g. United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women: Executive Board) (university level) **2 spots** for university applicants;

Topics: (a) Ensuring Gender Equality in Education via Digital Technologies featuring Artificial Intelligence and (b) Addressing the Disproportionate Effects of Armed Conflicts on Women

h. European Parliament - AFET (university level) **2 spots** for university applicants;

Topics: (a) Enlargement of the European Union – Yes, No, and How? and (b) The

Role of the European Union in the Governance of Antarctica

i. Historical Committee (university level) **2 spots** for university applicants;

Topic: National Minorities after the Great War

- j. International Court of Justice (university level) **2 spots** for university applicants;
- k. OSCE Court of Conciliation and Arbitration (university level) **2 spots** for university applicants;

## II. MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must cumulatively meet the **following mandatory requirements:** 

- a. at least CEFR B2 oral and written proficiency in English;
- b. citizenship or permanent residence status of EU/EEA member states, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, North Macedonia or Serbia;
- c. ability to travel to Slovenia for the duration of the conference;
- d. not be older than 27 years of age;
- e. previous experiences with organizing and/or chairing at least two MUN conferences.

## The **university** applicants must meet **one of the following criteria**:

- a. being a university student in the academic year 2024/25;
- b. the applicant's university status will be temporarily paused in the academic year 2024/25, but not for more than 1 academic year.

## The high-school applicants must meet the following criteria:

a. being at least a fourth-grade high-school student in the school year 2024/25.



All the mandatory requirements and advantage elements are to be proven with **authentic documentation**.

## III. COMMITTEE DIRECTOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Committee director is an important role and responsibility. By applying, it is assumed that you have read this document and you agree with the obligations of this duty. Responsiveness is required during our cooperation.

An important role of the committee director includes but is not necessarily limited to:

## preparation of a study guide for the delegates' preparation for the simulation on the selected topics:

Your main tasks during the writing process will be to research the topic, arrange an outline of your topics and subtopics, do in-depth writing, and formatting of the final document. The whole process is set out to take approximately 1-2 weeks. Additional guidelines regarding the preparation of a study guide will be communicated. Since writing can be a daunting task, the MunLawS team will organize a chair meeting on how to write a good study guide soon after the selection process.

Your first assignment will be the submission of your study guide outlines on the **1**<sup>st</sup> of July **2024**, where you will present your main ideas via a table of figures. The final deadline for submission will be the **1**<sup>st</sup> of August 2024, with no exceptions.

- moderation of the debate/simulation in the assigned committee per the Rules of Procedure,
- assessing the performance of the delegates in the committee and allocation of awards.

## IV. THE SELECTED CANDIDATES

The selected candidates will be provided with:

- a. help with finding accommodation for the duration of the conference (if necessary),
- b. free lunch and coffee breaks during all three days of the conference,
- c. free social events during the conference,
- d. conference materials,
- e. conference briefings,
- f. a certificate of participation.



## V. THE SELECTION PROCEDURE

The selection of Committee directors will firstly be based on the fulfillment of the aforementioned mandatory requirements, and secondly on the qualifications and advantages of each applicant. The selected individuals will be invited to an online or in person interview with the organizers. The selected candidates will be notified about the decision via the e-mail provided in the application form. The rejected candidates will be notified about the decision in the e-mail provided in the application form.

University applicants shall enjoy an advantage in the selection procedure in the case of:

- a. previous experiences with organizing and/or chairing at multiple MUN conferences,
- b. attending at least two MUN conferences in the past,
- c. receiving an award at one of the MUN conferences attended,
- d. previous participation at MUNLawS conferences as a chair, organizer, or staff member,
- e. previous experience with organizing or participating in European Youth Parliament Sessions or similar youth simulation events.

## **High-school applicants** shall enjoy an **advantage** in the selection procedure in case of:

a. having received an award at one of the previous editions of the MUNLawS Conferences or other MUN events.

The Organising team reserves the right to accept the applicants with or without an interview. We reserve the right not to select anyone from the applicants. We reserve the right to invite certain individuals to participate in the selection procedure. We reserve the right to invite certain applicants to fill in the vacant spots. The Secretariat also reserves the right to repeat the selection procedure. The final decision of the Secretariat shall not be appealable.

# The deadline for applications is **15 April 2024 at 23:59 (UTC/GMT +1)** via the online application form available here: <u>https://www.munlaws.com/chair-application</u>.

For additional clarifications or in case of any issues, the potential applicant may contact the organizer at <u>info@munlaws.com.</u>

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