



INVITATION LETTER

Oporto, 10th of February 2025

Dear Friends of OBSMUN, Esteemed Advisors and Distinguished MUN Directors,

We are pleased to announce the upcoming Oporto British School Model United Nations (OBSMUN) conference, which will take place from 13-15 November 2025, and to open registration for this event.

Last year's OBSMUN Conference was attended by approximately 300 delegates from 14 international schools and a number of independent delegates. This year's OBSMUN conference will maintain our traditional MUN format, promoting meaningful debate, dialogue and a comprehensive understanding of the United Nations.

OBSMUN 2025 will host a wide range of committees, including the World Health Organization (WHO), the Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC), the Security Council Committee (SC), the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), the Human Rights Council (HRC), and the General Assembly, which will bring together delegates from ECOSOC and the HRC on the final day. We are also pleased to announce that OBSMUN 2025 will host two new committees, an International Court of Justice (ICJ) simulation and a British Parliament (BP) simulation.

OBSMUN is open to secondary school students in Forms 6 to 12 (Years 7-13). Students can apply to be delegates, representing a randomly assigned country. This will allow them to explore the different perspectives of each country and use this knowledge to tackle the different committee topics.

The committee topics will be released two months before the conference date, along with research reports for delegates to access. Starting with OBSMUN 2025, we will require both position papers and opening speeches. OBSMUN committees will follow a clause-by-clause procedure, allowing delegates to prepare operative clauses and deliberate during committee sessions. Delegates will vote on the adoption of clauses to produce a final resolution containing all approved clauses.

Our procedural guide is available on our website, and if your school is unfamiliar with MUN and would like some guidance, our team is available to provide training sessions for your students before they attend the conference. If your school is in the Porto Metro area, we can also arrange for your students to attend our mock conference in September.

Staff positions are also open to students in Forms 9 to 12 (Years 10 to 13). Students can apply to be chairs, media (photographers or journalists) or typists at our conference. Please note that applications for staff positions are different from standard delegate registrations and we cannot guarantee that all applicants will be placed in their desired position. The fee for external staff is €60 and applications for these positions will be accepted until 5 September 2025.

LOCATION OF OBSMUN 2025 HOTEL CASA DE VILAR R. ARCEDIAGO VAN ZELLER, 50 4050-621 - PORTO

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Our conference will once again be held at the Vilar Oporto Hotel, providing a professional and immersive experience for all delegates, as well as comfortable common areas for informal discussion and networking. We are also able to cater for any disabilities or dietary requirements that your delegates may have, so please email our team at obsmun@obs.edu.pt if you have any such requirements.

Delegates will need to bring a charged laptop/tablet. The conference will have an online system where all delegates will be able to view all clauses being discussed in committee sessions directly on their own devices, so it is essential that they have access to such devices throughout the conference.

Delegates must make their own lunch arrangements, however our hospitality team can arrange lunch for your delegation at an additional cost.

This year we are asking for a non-refundable registration fee of €150 per school at the time of registration. Please note that this fee will be deducted from the total delegate fee. Places at OBSMUN will be held for twenty working days during which the symbolic fee of 150€ must be paid. Receipts and invoices with tax numbers can be issued to your school upon request. Below are the fees per delegate for the conference,

Delegate fees:

Standard: 100€ (From 10/02/2025 to 24/10/2025)

Chaperone fees:

Standard: 60€ (From 10/02/2025 to 24/10/2025)

The fee includes a walking tour of Porto on the first day of the conference and a social event at the conference venue at the end of the second day.

For schools that do not want to participate in the Walking Tour, we will also be offering Icebreakers that will take place simultaneously with the tour. More information will be given on these closer to the conference.

For more information on the selection of committees, please visit obsmun.org/committees.

For more information about the conference, please visit our website: www.obsmun.org or contact our team at: obsmun@obs.edu.pt

If you would like to proceed with your school's registration now, you can do so via the following link: www.obsmun.org/register

With best regards, on behalf of the OBSMUN Team,

The OBSMUN Secretary General:

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