

Dear students and teachers,

On behalf of the organizing team, we cordially invite you and your school to the 26th session of the Model United Nations of Luebeck which will take place from **May 22th to May 27th, 2023** at the Thomas-Mann-School in Luebeck, Germany. This year's MUNOL Conference Theme is "Sustainable development: Moving towards the goal?"

The first **MUNOL**-Conference organized by students was held in 1998. Due to the motivation and dedication of students and teachers the conference has grown bigger and has become more professional and international over the last years. **MUNOL** now attracts more than 400 participants every year.

This conference does not only simulate the United Nation's work but also offers a chance to improve the exchange between young people from all over the world. To students the conference offers a good opportunity to improve their English skills as well as their lobbying and debating skills.

If you are uncertain with the process of a MUN you can find a short explanation in the attachment.

There are two possible ways to participate in this year's conference:

Delegate

Students serving as delegates at **MUNOL 2023** will be allocated a country which they will represent in their committee during the conference. To make sure they are well prepared for the conference the delegates are supposed to read the research reports provided by their Chairs and to write a position paper in which they briefly explain the opinion of the nation they are representing. During the conference, the students will be part of one of the twelve committees.

Chair

The task of the Chair or President will be to guide the Forum and lead the debates together with their Co-Chair. They will help the Delegates in both content-related and general matters. Before the conference starts, the Chairs will write research reports to inform the Delegates about the issues of their committee.

For being a Chair, the applicants should have participated in a Model UN at least once as a Delegate. They should bring general knowledge about politics and the UN and be conversant with the rules of procedure at MUNOL. Furthermore, the Chairs need very good English skills, as they will have to speak mainly in English during the week.

The application for Chairs must be sent to the Secretaries-General (secretarygeneral@munol.org) and should contain: the name, the birthdate, the school (and country) of the applicant as well as their MUN experiences and committee preferences.

Important dates:

Deadline for chairs: September 18th 2022

Pre-Registration deadline: December 10th 2022

Final Registration begins: January 10th 2023

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Please note that every student has to pay a **conference fee of €45**. The costs for hotel or youth hostel accommodation are not included. Lunches and beverages during the debates are covered in the conference fee. Furthermore, there will be a limit of two teachers (**MUN-Directors**) per delegation. We ask MUN-Directors to pay a conference fee of **€25**. Please note that we decided to introduce **a pre-registration fee of €100**. This decision was made to prevent schools from spontaneous cancellations because a spontaneous cancellation would cost us a lot of energy and time. The pre-registration fee will later be set off with the payment of the conference fees of your participants, so **this will be no additional cost**.

Accommodation in host families can be offered for some participants, but unfortunately, we might not be able to find a host family for everybody, as this requires some effort for the respective families. We would therefore like to ask all delegations that can afford to stay in a hostel or hotel to kindly do so. If you want to stay in a hostel, please let us know to get more information.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the **MUNOL** Conference Management (conferencemanager@munol.org) or visit the official **MUNOL** website www.munol.org.

We are looking forward to welcoming you at **MUNOL 2023!**

On behalf of the Executive Board,

Yours sincerely,

Lennart Brunstein and Sophia Schweizer

Conference Management 2023