



## 30th Annual Session MINIMUM

8 October 2016

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June 2016

Dear MUN-Directors,

We would like to invite you and your students to the 30th Annual Session of MINIMUM. The conference will take place on

**Saturday, 8 October 2016**  
**at the Gymnasium Novum,**  
**Aart van der Leeuwkade 1, 2274 KX Voorburg**  
(directions are included)

There will also be a teachers' workshop at the same date and place for new MUN-Directors, which all MUN-Directors are invited to participate in.

MINIMUM is a one-day, THIMUN-organised, conference in which students can gain experience in debating world issues in GA committees, the plenary session of the General Assembly as well as in the Security Council and ECOSOC. The aim of MINIMUM is to prepare students with little MUN experience by giving them the opportunity to develop and improve on their debating skills before they face the demands of larger conferences such as The Hague International Model United Nations (THIMUN) which takes place each year in January.

We hope that many students can make use of this opportunity and we are very happy to invite your school to participate. If you accept our invitation we urgently request you to complete the **School Registration Form (FORM I ONLINE) by 9 September 2016**. This form is available online in a secure environment (MUNIS). To log in please use the following web site: **[www.apps.thimun.org/registration](http://www.apps.thimun.org/registration)**

Using the MUNIS system you can fill in all the necessary information we require for your school's registration (FORM I) and attendance to the conference (FORM II). Your financial statement can also be found in the MUNIS system (main menu).

Please note that as a result of the increasing number of participants we have added two new committees in order to have forums (and classrooms) not be too large or too full and to give as many participants as possible a chance to take the floor. We also strive to limit the number of participants per school to 30.

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As we have to assign delegations and estimate the number of participants, we would also appreciate if you could let us know if you can NOT participate.

Students applying for positions as Student Officers must return the **Student Officer Form** (included in this invitation) together with a letter of application and their MUN-Director's recommendation by **9 September 2016**.

Information with regards to THIMUN Rules and Procedures as well as sample resolutions and a guide for new delegates can be found at [www.thimun.org/education](http://www.thimun.org/education)

We look forward to hearing from you and hope to be able to welcome you in Voorburg.

Yours sincerely,

Tanya Keizer  
Conference Manager  
THIMUN Foundation

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- Date:** Saturday, 8 October 2016
- Venue:** Gymnasium Novum, Aart van der Leeuwkade 1, 2274 KX Voorburg
- Fees:** EUR 40.00 per person.
- Please note:** Lunch is included in the fees.
- Bank:** Please transfer the **full fee** before **28 September 2016** to the THIMUN account with ABN AMRO Bank, The Hague,  
**Account No. NL03ABNA0484264567**  
**(IBAN: NL03ABNA0484264567, BIC/SWIFT: ABNANL2A)**  
Please **clearly** state the name of your school (or School ID) and "MINIMUM 2016" on the transfer and bring evidence of payment to registration.
- Deadlines:**
- |                                   |                   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Online Registration Form (Form I) | 9 September 2016  |
| StOff Application Form            | 9 September 2016  |
| Online Form II/ Full fees         | 28 September 2016 |
- Please note:** **The School Registration Form (FORM I) and the Delegate Registration Form (Online Form II) will be available online in a secure environment (MUNIS). To log in please use the following web site: [www.apps.thimun.org/registration](http://www.apps.thimun.org/registration)**
- Forums:** Security Council(SC)  
ECOSOC  
General Assembly Committees: Disarmament(DC), Human Rights(HRC), Environment(EC), Political(PC), Health & Youth (HYC), Legal (LC)
- Delegation Size:** Security Council **and** ECOSOC member: max 6 delegates  
Security Council **or** ECOSOC member: max 5 delegates  
Non-member delegations: 1 - 3 delegate(s)  
(there will be 4 seats per delegation in the General Assembly plenary session)
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**Available Country Delegations, to be assigned to specific committees:**

Country Delegations	SC	ECOSOC	DC	EC	HRC	PC	HYC	LG	Total
Afghanistan		1			1	1	1	1	5
Algeria		1	1			1	1	1	5
Angola	1		1			1	1	1	5
Antigua & Barbuda		1		1			1		3
Argentina		1			1	1	1	1	5
Australia		1	1	1		1		1	5
Bangladesh		1		1	1		1	1	5
Belgium		1		1	1	1		1	5
Botswana		1		1	1	1	1		5
Brazil		1	1	1			1	1	5
Burkina Faso		1			1	1	1	1	5
Chile		1		1	1		1	1	5
China	1	1	1	1		1	1		6
Congo		1	1	1			1	1	5
Czech Republic		1		1	1	1		1	5
DR Congo		1	1		1		1	1	5
Egypt	1			1	1	1	1		5
Estonia		1		1	1	1		1	5
Finland		1	1	1			1	1	5
France	1	1	1	1	1	1			6
Georgia		1	1	1	1		1		5
Germany		1		1	1	1		1	5
Ghana		1	1	1	1		1		5
Greece		1	1	1		1		1	5
Guatemala		1	1	1	1		1		5
Guyana		1	1	1		1	1		5
Honduras		1		1	1		1	1	5
India		1	1		1	1		1	5
Iraq		1	1	1		1	1		5
Ireland		1	1	1	1			1	5
Italy		1		1	1	1	1		5
Japan	1	1	1		1	1		1	6

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Country Delegations (continued)	SC	ECOSOC	DC	EC	HRC	PC	HYC	LG	Total
Kazakhstan		1	1	1		1	1		5
Lebanon		1	1		1	1		1	5
Malaysia	1		1		1	1	1		5
Mauritania		1		1	1	1	1		5
Moldova		1			1	1			3
New Zealand	1		1	1	1			1	5
Nigeria		1	1			1	1	1	5
Pakistan		1			1	1	1	1	5
Panama		1	1	1	1			1	5
Peru		1		1	1		1	1	5
Portugal		1	1	1		1		1	5
Rep. of Korea		1		1	1	1		1	5
Russian Federation	1	1	1		1	1	1		6
Rwanda		1		1	1		1	1	5
Senegal	1		1		1		1	1	5
Serbia		1		1	1	1		1	5
Somalia		1	1	1		1	1		5
South Africa		1			1	1	1	1	5
Spain	1		1	1		1	1		5
Sweden		1		1	1		1	1	5
Switzerland		1	1		1	1		1	5
Togo		1	1	1			1	1	5
Trinidad & Tobago		1		1	1				3
Turkey			1			1			2
Uganda		1	1	1	1	1			5
Ukraine	1		1			1	1	1	5
United Kingdom	1	1	1		1	1		1	6
United States	1	1	1	1	1			1	6
Uruguay	1		1		1		1	1	5
Venezuela	1		1			1	1	1	5
Viet Nam		1	1	1		1	1		5
Zimbabwe		1			1	1	1	1	5

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<b>Non Member Delegations</b>	<b>SC</b>	<b>ECOSOC</b>	<b>DC</b>	<b>EC</b>	<b>HRC</b>	<b>PC</b>	<b>HYC</b>	<b>LG</b>	<b>Total</b>
Amnesty International					1			1	2
UNEP		1		1					2
UNHCR				1		1	1		3
UNODC			1						1
UN-Women		1						1	2
WHO							1		1

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## COMMITTEE ISSUES

**Security Council (SC):**

1. The situation in the South China Sea
2. The situation in Mali

**ECOSOC:**

1. Measures to end violence against women migrant workers
2. Combating food insecurity in urban areas
3. Developing measures to decrease global dependency on fossil fuels

**Disarmament Committee(DC):**

1. Combating piracy in the Gulf of Guinea
2. International cooperation to stop the proceeds of drug trafficking being used to finance illegal organisations

**Human Rights Committee(HRC):**

1. Measures to protect religious diversity
2. Maintaining the freedom of press and guaranteeing the safety of journalists

**Environment Committee(EC):**

1. Developing proactive measures against the impact of natural catastrophes
2. Monitoring the use of bio-technology

**Political Committee(PC):**

1. The question Hong Kong
2. Redefining the role of neighbouring countries in refugee crises

**Health & Youth Committee(HYC):**

1. Promoting basic healthcare for all
2. Accelerating youth employment in Africa in order to reduce migratory flows

**Legal Committee (LC):**

1. The question of the death penalty
2. Legal measures to empower women as economic, political and social actors

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## PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

### Saturday 8 October 2016

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|---------------|--|
| 08:00 - 09:00 | Registration   |
| 08:00 - 10:00 | <b>Lobbying</b>  |
| 08:15 - 08:45 | Chair Briefing (mandatory for Chairs and Student Officers) |
| 10:00 - 12:30 | <b>Committees in Session 1</b>                             |
| 10:00 - 17:00 | <b>Security Council in Session</b>                         |
| 10:00 - 17:00 | <b>ECOSOC in Session</b>                                   |
| 12:30 - 13:30 | Lunch  |
| 13:30 - 15:30 | <b>Committees in Session 2</b>                             |
| 15:30 - 17:00 | <b>General Assembly plenary Session</b>                    |
| 17:00 - 17:30 | Closing Ceremonies   |
| 09:00 - 16:00 | <b>Workshop for (new) MUN-Directors</b>                    |

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### VENUE

Gymnasium Novum  
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(close to The Hague)



### DIRECTIONS BY PUBLIC TRANSPORT:

Travel to train station “**Laan van NOI**” by train and from there take the **23 bus towards Kijkduin** and exit at the bus stop “**Koningin Julianaplein**”. This will take 5 minutes.

Then walk towards the equestrian statue of the roman commander Corbulo, until you reach the **Alberdinck Thijmkade**.

You will now see the school right in front of you.

### DIRECTIONS BY CAR OR BUS:

From any direction, if you drive to The Hague, you will come to the **Prins Clausplein**.

Follow signs to **Voorburg** and take **exit 4**.

At the end of the exit, go right.

At the first crossing you encounter after that, go straight on. This will take you to the **Prins Bernhardlaan**.

Take the second left, being the **Alberdinck Thijmkade**.

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**STUDENT OFFICER**

MINIMUM 2016 Application Form

Return this form together with a letter of motivation and teacher recommendation by **mail** or **email** to:

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2517HC The Hague  
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**info@thimun.org**

Students applying for positions as Student Officers must return this form together with a letter of application and their MUN-Director's recommendation by the above date. Letters of application should outline the candidates' MUN experience and should state what they hope to achieve and what contribution they think they can make to the Conference. MUN-Directors' recommendations should include references to the candidates' academic performance, school and extra-curricular activities. Where there is more than one application from one school, MUN-Directors must rank order (**max. 3!**).

**RETURN BY: 8 SEPTEMBER 2016**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

M/F \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (D/M/Y) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School \_\_\_\_\_

Grade/form/class in 2016/2017 \_\_\_\_\_

Private Address \_\_\_\_\_

Personal email (where you frequently check messages) \_\_\_\_\_

If you held a position at MINIMUM, THIMUN or a THIMUN affiliated MUN conference in the past, please state which: \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly state your MUN experience:

I HEREBY APPLY for a Student Officer position at the 30th Annual Session of MINIMUM on 8 October 2016.

I WOULD PREFER, if possible, to serve as:

President of the General Assembly

President Committee

Deputy President Committee

PREFERRED FORUM (please give three in rank order):    1.                    2.                    3.

Date:

Signature:

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