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26 – 30 January



## CULTURE & HERITAGE: EMBRACING DIVERSITY

Registration & Conference Information

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# COUNTDOWN TO PARTICIPATION

## August

- Returning schools receive official invitation.
- New schools must apply via formal application (see Foundation website: Participation > New Schools).

## September

- **Deadline: Friday, 19 September 2025.**
  - Submit Registration Form (**ONLINE FORM I** via MUNIS).
  - Submit individual student applications (Student Officer, NATO, HSC, ICC, Comité français & Press) - forms on website from Aug 2025.

**By registering for THIMUN The Hague 2026, you, your school, and your students agree to and accept the General Terms and Conditions, Payment Policies, Code of Conduct, and Privacy Policy of the THIMUN Foundation found on our website.**

- Schools to process pre-payment fees during registration **FORM I**.
  - Delegation assignments released **after** pre-payment.

## October

- **By Wednesday, 15 October 2025:**
  - Delegation assignments and individual appointments published in Conference Web-App (categories: Student Officer, NATO, HSC, ICC, Comité français & Press).

## November

- **By Friday, 21 November 2025:**
  - Submission of complete participant list via **ONLINE FORM II** (included MUN-Directors & Chaperones via MUNIS).
- **From 21 November 2025:**
  - Full fees apply regardless of attendance by the school or individual.
- **After 21 November 2025:**
  - Changes or substitutions require a €30.00 fee per updated ID badge.
- **By end of November 2025:**
  - Submission by Student Officers of Research Reports.
  - Submission of Visa requests to the THIMUN Office if required.

## December

- Invoice for remaining balance available in MUNIS.
- Inform the THIMUN Office of HTM ticket requirements (see page 20 – HTM Public Transport Tickets).
- Transfer all outstanding fees.
- Statement of Account accessible in MUNIS after full payment.

## January

- **By Friday, 9 January 2026:**
  - Final payment deadline for all outstanding fees.
  - Schools receive email with final updates.
- **Mandatory Briefings:** Student Officers, NATO, HSC, ICC, Comité français & Press on Monday 26 January.
- **Conference Dates:** Tuesday, 27 January – Friday, 30 January 2026.
- **Conference Location:** World Forum The Hague, Churchillplein 10, 2517 JW The Hague.

## RETURNING FORMS

- **ONLINE FORMS I & II** available via secure **MUNIS** system.
  - Access: Click MUNIS Log In button on website or go to [www.apps.thimun.org/thimun/entrance](http://www.apps.thimun.org/thimun/entrance).
- FORM I: School registration
- FORM II: Conference participation
- All **individual student applications** (form, motivation letter, recommendation letter) must be emailed to the address listed on the form.

# **PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF EVENTS**

**THIS AGENDA IS NOT FINAL AND WILL BE UPDATED**

## **MONDAY 26 JANUARY 2026**

15:00-17:00 Mandatory briefings for Student Officers, NATO, ICC, HSC, Comité français and Press team  
14:30-17:00 School Registration

## **DAY 1: TUESDAY 27 JANUARY 2026**

08:30-10:00 School Registration  
09:00-10:00 Preparatory meetings for all Committees, Sub-Commissions and ECOSOC  
09:00-15:30 Security Council (SC) and Historical Security Council (HSC) in Session  
09:00-15:30 NATO, ICC and Comité français in session  
09:00-17:00 Press & Communications (MUNITY)  
10:00-11:30 Opening Speeches for all Committees, Sub-Commissions and ECOSOC  
10:00-11:00 Approval Panel training for MUN-Directors  
11:00-12:30 MUN-Directors' Introductory meeting + **Reception**  
11:30-15:30 **Lobbying Issues 1&2** for all Committees, Sub-Commissions and ECOSOC  
11:30-14:00 Lunch available (time varies per forum)  
12:30-15:30 Approval Panel open  
15:45-17:00 **Opening Ceremonies**

## **DAY 2: WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY 2026**

09:00-15:00 Committees, Sub-Commissions and ECOSOC in **debate Issues 1 & 2**  
10:00-12:00 Workshop 1 for MUN-Directors  
09:00-14:00 Approval Panel open  
09:00-15:00 SC and HSC in session  
09:00-15:00 NATO, ICC, and Comité français in session  
09:00-15:00 Press & Communications (MUNITY)  
11:30-14:00 Lunch available (time varies per forum)  
15:00-16:30 Cultural Fair  
19:30 - 21:45 Movie Evening

## **DAY 3: THURSDAY 29 JANUARY 2026**

09:00-11:00 Continued Debate on **Issues 1 & 2**  
10:00-12:00 Workshop 2 for MUN-Directors  
09:00-16:30 SC and HSC in session  
09:00-16:30 NATO, ICC, and Comité français in session  
09:00-16:30 Press & Communications (MUNITY)  
11:00-15:00 Lobbying in Committees, Sub-Commissions and ECOSOC **Issue 3**  
12:00-16:30 Approval Panel open  
11:30-14:00 Lunch available (time varies per forum)  
**12:30-13:15 Ambassadors and Heads of Delegation meeting**  
15:00-16:30 Committees, Sub-Commissions and ECOSOC start debate **Issue 3**

## **DAY 4: FRIDAY 30 JANUARY 2026**

09:00-15:30 Committees and Sub-Commissions and ECOSOC in session **debate Issue 3**  
09:00-15:30 SC & HSC in session  
09:00-15:30 NATO, ICC, and Comité français in session  
09:00-16:30 Press & Communications (MUNITY)  
11:30-14:00 Lunch available (time varies per forum)  
15:45-16:30 **Closing Ceremonies**

# ISSUES ON THE AGENDA

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY (GA)

### GA1 [Disarmament and International Security]

- Measures to protect international shipping in the Red Sea
- Climate change: threats to international peace and security
- Protection of cultural heritage in armed conflicts and occupied territories

### GA2 [Economic and Financial]

- The question of the impact of protectionist policies on international trade
- Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all
- Addressing the impacts of globalisation on local cultures and traditional economies

### GA3 [Social, Humanitarian and Cultural]

- Addressing early and forced marriage and its implications on the rights of women and children
- Balancing urban development with protection of historical and cultural sites
- Role of education in promoting respect for cultural diversity

### GA4 [Special Political & Decolonisation]

- The situation in Kashmir
- UN peacekeeping operations and the protection of cultural heritage sites
- The situation on Chagos Islands

### GA6 [Legal]

- The question of the legal status for returning jihadists and their families
- Strengthening international legal frameworks against illicit trade in cultural property
- Enhancing international accountability for destruction of heritage sites in armed conflict (e.g., under the Rome Statute)

## SECURITY COUNCIL (SC)

- The question of the Iranian nuclear power programme
- The situation in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank
- The situation in Ukraine

## ECOSOC (ECO)

- Promoting sustainable consumption patterns: reducing global food waste at consumer and retail levels
- Measures to improve international trade and transport for landlocked developing countries
- Financing the protection of cultural heritage in developing nations

## **ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION (EVC)**

### **Conference of the Parties on Climate Change (EC1)**

- Actions required to achieve the goals of the Paris Agreement
- Developing climate action by non-Party stakeholders, and mobilising all levels of society
- Impacts of natural disasters on cultural landmarks and traditional settlements

### **Conference of the Parties on Biodiversity 2 (EC2)**

- The question of deep-sea mining
- Safeguarding marine and coastal cultural heritage in the face of rising sea levels
- Cultural heritage as a tool for environmental conservation and sustainable practices

## **HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION (HRC)**

### **Human Rights Commission 1 (HRC1)**

- Protecting journalists and media workers' freedom of expression in time of disinformation
- Safeguarding LGBTQ+ cultural spaces and narratives
- Eradicating discrimination against minority cultures in national education systems

### **Human Rights Commission 2 (HRC2)**

- The question of the use of social media influencers in international relations
- The question of harassment, threats and killing of Human Rights defenders
- The role of civil society in advancing democracy

## **SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (SDC)**

### **Sustainable Development Commission 1 (SDC1)**

- Measures to develop sustainable agricultural practices [SDG2]
- Measures to free primary and secondary schooling for all children by 2030 [SDG4]
- Measures to expand infrastructure and upgrading technology to provide clean energy in all developing countries [SDG7]

### **Sustainable Development Commission 2 (SDC2)**

- Measures to end the epidemics of AIDS, tuberculosis, malaria, and other communicable diseases by 2030 [SDG3]
- Measures to achieve equal representation of genders in national parliaments [SDG5]
- Measures to find lasting solutions to strengthen the rule of law and promote human rights [SDG16]

## **SPECIAL CONFERENCE ON CULTURE & HERITAGE (SPC)**

### **Special Conference on Culture & Heritage 1 (SPCCH 1)**

- Addressing the threat of language loss and promoting language diversity
- The question of the return and restitution of cultural artefact to their countries of origin
- Digital innovation in cultural heritage preservation

### **Special Conference on Culture & Heritage (SPCCH2)**

- Measures to protect indigenous identity, culture, languages, heritage, and livelihood
- Building inclusive national identities while respecting cultural diversity
- Reconciliation through cultural dialogue in post-conflict societies

### **HISTORICAL SECURITY COUNCIL YEAR 2002 (HSC)**

- The Balkan Wars: The situation in Southern Serbia: Responding to the Preševo Valley crisis and preventing escalation of ethnic violence (March 2002)
- Terrorist threats in Southeast Asia: The escalating terrorist threats in Southeast Asia: Addressing the Zamboanga bombing and its impact on regional security (2 October 2002)
- Western Sudan: The outbreak of armed rebellion in Darfur and the question of humanitarian concerns in Western Sudan (20 December 2002)

### **INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT (ICC)**

- The Prosecutor versus Al Hassan Ag Abdoul Aziz
- The Prosecutor versus Bosco Ntaganda

### **NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANISATION SUMMIT (NATO)**

- Developing the Partnership for Peace Programme [PfP]
- The question of Ukraine and the NATO military presence in the East of the Alliance
- The situation in the Arctic region [ocean and neighbouring countries]

### **COMITÉ FRANÇAIS**

- La question du retour et de la restitution des biens culturels dans leurs pays d'origine
- La question de l'impact des politiques protectionnistes sur le commerce international
- La question du programme nucléaire iranien

# DELEGATIONS 2026

## Members of the United Nations

SC= Security Council  
ECO = ECOSOC  
SD = Small Delegation  
(Page 11 for delegation sizes)

Afghanistan	Dominican Republic (ECO)	Liberia (SC)	Saint Kitts & Nevis (ECO)
Albania (SD)	DPR Korea (North)	Libya	Saint Lucia (SD)
Algeria (ECO)	DR Congo (SC)	Liechtenstein	Saint Vincent & Grenadines (SD)
Andorra (SD)	Ecuador (ECO)	Lithuania	Samoa (SD)
Angola	Egypt	Luxembourg (SD)	San Marino (SD)
Antigua & Barbuda (ECO)	El Salvador	Madagascar	Sao Tome & Principe (SD)
Argentina	Equatorial Guinea	Malawi	Saudi Arabia (ECO)
Armenia (ECO)	Eritrea (SD)	Malaysia	Senegal (ECO)
Australia (ECO)	Estonia	Maldives (SD)	Serbia
Austria (ECO)	Eswatini	Mali	Seychelles (SD)
Azerbaijan (ECO)	Ethiopia	Malta	Sierra Leone (ECO)
Bahamas	Fiji	Marshall Islands (SD)	Singapore (SD)
Bahrain (SC)	Finland (ECO)	Mauritania (ECO)	Slovakia
Bangladesh (ECO)	France (SC/ECO)	Mauritius	Slovenia
Barbados (SD)	Gabon	Mexico (ECO)	Solomon Islands (SD)
Belarus	Gambia (SD)	Micronesia, Fed. States	Somalia (SC)
Belgium	Georgia	Monaco (SD)	South Africa (ECO)
Belize (SD)	Germany (ECO)	Mongolia	South Sudan
Benin	Ghana	Montenegro (SD)	Spain (ECO)
Bhutan (SD)	Greece (SC)	Morocco	Sri Lanka (ECO)
Bolivia	Grenada (SD)	Mozambique (ECO)	Sudan
Bosnia & Herzegovina	Guatemala	Myanmar	Suriname (ECO)
Botswana	Guinea	Namibia	Sweden
Brazil	Guinea Bissau (SD)	Nauru (SD)	Switzerland (ECO)
Brunei Darussalam (SD)	Guyana	Nepal (ECO)	Syrian Arab Republic
Bulgaria	Haiti (ECO)	Netherlands (ECO)	Tajikistan
Burkina Faso	Honduras	New Zealand	Thailand
Burundi (ECO)	Hungary	Nicaragua	Timor-Leste (SD)
Cabo Verde	Iceland	Niger	Togo
Cambodia	India (ECO)	Nigeria (ECO)	Tonga (SD)
Cameroon	Indonesia	North Macedonia (SD)	Trinidad & Tobago (SD)
Canada (ECO)	Iran	Norway (ECO)	Tunisia
Central African Republic	Iraq	Oman	Türkiye (ECO)
Chad (ECO)	Ireland	Pakistan (SC/ECO)	Turkmenistan (ECO)
Chile	Israel	Palau (SD)	Tuvalu
China (SC/ECO)	Italy	Panama (SC)	Uganda
Colombia (SC)	Jamaica	Papua New Guinea	Ukraine (ECO)
Comoros	Japan (ECO)	Paraguay (ECO)	United Arab Emirates
Congo	Jordan	Peru (ECO)	United Kingdom (SC/ECO)
Costa Rica	Kazakhstan	Philippines	United Rep. of Tanzania (ECO)
Côte d'Ivoire (ECO)	Kenya (ECO)	Poland (ECO)	United States of America (SC/ECO)
Croatia (ECO)	Kiribati	Portugal	Uruguay (ECO)
Cuba	Kuwait	Qatar	Uzbekistan (ECO)
Cyprus (SD)	Kyrgyzstan	Republic of Korea (South)	Vanuatu
Czechia	Lao PDR	Republic of Moldova (SD)	Venezuela
Denmark (SC)	Latvia (SC)	Romania	Viet Nam
Djibouti (ECO)	Lebanon (ECO)	Russian Federation (SC/ECO)	Yemen
Dominica (SD)	Lesotho (SD)	Rwanda	Zambia (ECO)
			Zimbabwe

## SECURITY COUNCIL

- **Security Council:** 15 member delegations
  - **5 permanent members:** China, France, Russian Federation, United Kingdom, United States of America.
  - **10 elected members:** Serve 2-year terms.
- **Each of the following delegations** assigns **2 delegates** to the Security Council.

Bahrain	France	Panama
China	Greece	Russian Federation
Colombia	Latvia	Somalia
Denmark	Liberia	United Kingdom
DR Congo	Pakistan	United States of America

## ECOSOC

- **ECOSOC (Economic and Social Council):** 54 member countries.
  - One-third of members elected annually (rotating membership).
  - Rotation ensures balanced representation over time.
- **Each of the following delegations** assigns **2 delegates** to ECOSOC.

Algeria	Germany	Saudi Arabia
Antigua & Barbuda	Haiti	Senegal
Armenia	India	Sierra Leone
Australia	Japan	South Africa
Austria	Kenya	Spain
Azerbaijan	Lebanon	Sri Lanka
Bangladesh	Mauritania	Saint Kitts & Nevis
Burundi	Mexico	Suriname
Canada	Mozambique	Switzerland
Chad	Nepal	Türkiye
China	Netherlands	Turkmenistan
Côte d'Ivoire	Nigeria	Ukraine
Croatia	Norway	United Kingdom
Djibouti	Pakistan	United Rep. of Tanzania
Dominican Republic	Paraguay	United States of America
Ecuador	Peru	Uruguay
Finland	Poland	Uzbekistan
France	Russian Federation	Zambia

**NON-MEMBER DELEGATIONS**

- **Non-member delegation size** depends on:
  - Delegation type.
  - Relevance of agenda items to their interests.
- Typically assigned to **one forum** with **one delegate**. **Two delegates** in **ECOSOC**.

**Non-member states / Official Observers (OOs)**

Delegations	Max.	Permitted Assignments
African Union	12	GA1, GA2, GA3, GA6; ECOSOC (2); EC1, EC2; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2
European Union	12	GA1, GA2, GA3; GA6; ECOSOC (2); EC1, EC2; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2
Holy See	6	GA2, GA3; HR1, HR2; SP1, SP2
League of Arab States	6	GA1, GA2, GA3, GA6; HR1, HR2
State of Palestine	8	GA1, GA3, GA6; HR1, HR2; SP1, SP2

○ **Spokespeople / Lobbyist for Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs)**

VII. Delegations	Max.	Permitted Assignments
Amnesty International	6	GA3, GA6; HR1, HR2; SP1, SP2
Greenpeace	6	ECOSOC (2); EC1, EC2; SD1, SD2
Human Rights Watch	6	GA3, GA6; HR1, HR2; SP1, SP2
ICRC [International Committee Red Cross]	4	GA1, GA3; SD1, SD2
WWF [World Wildlife Fund]	2	EC1, EC2

○ **Specialist Spokespeople for UN Organisations and Specialised Agencies**

Delegations	Max.	Permitted Assignments
<b>REGIONAL COMMISSIONS</b>		
ECA (Commission for Africa)	9	GA1, GA2, GA3; EC1, EC2; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2
ECE (Commission for Europe)	9	GA1, GA2, GA3; EC1, EC2; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2
ECLAC (Com. for Latin America, Caribbean)	9	GA1, GA2, GA3; EC1, EC2; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2
ESCAP (Commission for Asia, Pacific)	9	GA1, GA2, GA3; EC1, EC2; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2
ESCWA (Commission for Western Asia)	9	GA1, GA2, GA3; EC1, EC2; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2
<b>OTHER UN AGENCIES</b>		
FAO (Food and Agriculture)	6	GA2; ECOSOC (2); EC1, EC2; SD1
IFAD (Agricultural Fund)	6	GA2; ECOSOC (2); EC1, EC2; SD1
ILO (International Labour Organisation)	2	GA2; EC2
IMF (Inter. Monetary Fund)	3	GA2; ECOSOC (2)
IMO [Inter. Maritime Organisation]	2	GA1, GA2
INTERPOL (Police)	2	GA6; HR2
IOM (Inter. Organisation for Migration)	2	GA1; EC1
OCHA (Humanitarian Affairs) UNCTAD	3	GA3; EC1; SD1
(Trade and Development) UN DESA	4	GA2, GA6; ECOSOC (2)
[Economic & Social Affairs] UNDEF	8	GA2, GA3; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2; SP1, SP2
(Democracy Fund)	4	GA3; HR1, HR2; SD2
UNDP (Development)	8	GA2, GA3; ECOSOC (2); HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2
UNEP (Environment)	4	GA1; EC1, EC2; SD1
UNESCO (Education, Sciences, Culture)	10	GA1, GA3, GA4, GA6; ECOSOC (2); EC1, EC2; SP1; SP2
UNFPA (Population Fund)	6	GA2, G3; HR1; HR2; SD1; SD2
UN-Habitat	4	GA2; EC1, EC2; SD1
UNHCHR (Human Rights)	8	GA3, GA6; HR1, HR2; SD1, SD2; SP1, SP2
UNHCR (Refugees)	2	GA1; HR1
UNICEF (Children's Fund)	6	GA3; HR1, HR2; SD1, SP1, SP2
UN-Water (Fund for Water)	4	GA1; EC1; SD1, SD2
UN-Women (Fund for Women)	6	GA2, GA3, GA6; HR1, HR2; SD2
UNWTO (Tourism)	5	GA2, GA3; ECOSOC (2); SP2
World Bank	9	GA2; ECOSOC (2); EC1, EC2; SD1, SD2; SP1, SP2
WHO (World Health Organisation)	4	GA1, GA3; SD1, SD2
WTO (World Trade Organisation)	3	GA2, GA6; ECOSOC (2)

## DELEGATION SIZE

The minimum and maximum restrictions on delegation size are as follows:	MIN	MAX
<b>SC AND ECOSOC MEMBER COUNTRY</b> <b>Must be represented in:</b> SC with <b>2</b> delegates ECOSOC with <b>2</b> delegates General Assembly with <b>3 - 5</b> delegates (1 seat per GA committee) All remaining delegates should be distributed across the other forums	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>SC MEMBER COUNTRY (non-ECOSOC)</b> <b>Must be represented in:</b> SC with <b>2</b> delegates General Assembly with <b>3 - 5</b> delegates (1 seat per GA committee) All remaining delegates should be distributed across the other forums	<b>12</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>ECOSOC MEMBER COUNTRY</b> <b>Must be represented in:</b> ECOSOC with <b>2</b> delegates General Assembly with <b>3 - 5</b> delegates (1 seat per GA committee) All remaining delegates should be distributed across the other forums	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>STANDARD DELEGATION COUNTRY (no SC or ECOSOC)</b> <b>Must be represented in:</b> General Assembly with <b>3 - 5</b> delegates (1 seat per GA committee) All remaining delegates should be distributed across the other forums	<b>10</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>SMALL DELEGATION COUNTRY</b> <b>Must be represented in:</b> General Assembly with <b>3 - 5</b> delegates All remaining delegates should be distributed across the other forums	<b>6</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>NON-MEMBER DELEGATION</b> <b>Must be represented in:</b> each non-member delegation will be allocated one seat in each permitted forum ( <b>see page 10</b> )	-	-

## ASSIGNMENT OF ROLES AND FUNCTION

- Each country delegation must appoint an ambassador assigned to a GA (General Assembly) Committee.
- Non-Member delegations with GA seats must assign a Head of Delegation to a GA Committee.
- If no GA seat is held, the Head of Delegation may be placed in another eligible forum.
- All delegates must be assigned to a specific GA Committee, Council, or Sub-Commission.
- MUN-Directors are not permitted to coach or advise delegates during sessions.

# INDIVIDUAL STUDENT APPLICATIONS

## GENERAL RULES

- Individual student applicants must submit:
  - Completed Application Form
  - Formal letter of motivation (maximum 2 pages)
  - Letter of recommendation from MUN-Director
- MUN-Director submits the full application to the email listed on the form by the final deadline.

## I. STUDENT OFFICER ROLES & REQUIREMENTS

- The Student Officer team includes the Executive Committee, Presidents, Deputy Presidents, Committee Chairs, and Deputy Chairs across various forums.
- All Student Officer applicants must:
  - Have strong knowledge of the THIMUN Rules of Procedure.
  - Understand current international affairs and assigned agenda issues.
- Selected Student Officers:
  - Receive instructions from the Executive Committee.
  - Draft Research Reports by end of November.
  - Attend mandatory online briefings prior to the conference and on Monday 26 January.
  - Participate in lobbying and oversee committee work during the conference.

### Executive Committee Composition:

- Secretary-General & Deputy Secretaries-General
- President of the General Assembly
- President of the Security Council
- President of ECOSOC
- President of the Special Conference
- Presidents of the three Commissions: Environment, Human Rights, and Sustainable Development
- President of the NATO Summit
- President of the Historical Security Council
- President of the International Criminal Court
- Président(e) du Comité français

### Committee Chairs and Deputy Presidents

- **Committee Chairs:**
  - Oversee one of the General Assembly Committees during sessions.
  - These positions are usually filled by candidates with prior experience as Deputy Presidents or Deputy Chairs at THIMUN or THIMUN-Affiliated conferences.
- **Deputy Presidents** (of the three Commissions and Special Conference):
  - Preside over sub-commissions during sessions.
  - Assist Presidents during lobbying.

**Deputy Committee Chairs**

- Deputy Chair roles are designed to give younger students leadership experience.
- Aim: identify potential future leaders for upcoming THIMUN sessions.
- Preference given to students eligible and available to participate in 2027.

**II. NATO SUMMIT**

- The **THIMUN NATO Summit** simulation will return in 2026, following its successful debut at the 2025 THIMUN Conference, held in collaboration with the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs.
- 32 student delegates will represent NATO member states, replicating the real NATO structure.
- Participants address political, diplomatic, economic, legal, and military aspects in their discussions.
- **Applicants must:**
  - Be from participating schools.
  - Have previous THIMUN experience.
  - Submit the NATO Application Form.
- Main task: draft and adopt a **joint communiqué** (a binding agreement, unlike standard MUN resolutions).
- The Summit follows Security Council-style rules and conducts all debates in plenary sessions.

Albania	Greece	Poland
Belgium	Hungary	Portugal
Bulgaria	Iceland	Romania
Canada	Italy	Slovakia
Croatia	Latvia	Slovenia
Czechia	Lithuania	Spain
Denmark	Luxembourg	Sweden
Estonia	Montenegro	Türkiye
Finland	Netherlands	United Kingdom
France	North Macedonia	United States of America
Germany	Norway	

- Quality of debate relies on participants’ experience, flexibility, and enthusiasm.
- **All NATO applicants must:**
  - attend a **mandatory briefing on Monday, 26 January 2026** at the World Forum, The Hague

**III. HISTORICAL SECURITY COUNCIL YEAR 2002 (HSC)**

- THIMUN 2026 will feature a Historical Security Council (HSC) simulation focused on the year 2002.
- Fifteen schools will each send two delegates to represent the 2002 Security Council member states.
- The HSC includes five permanent and ten elected members.
- Interested students must submit the HSC Application Form.
- Delegates will reenact the Council’s response to three major 2002 events, in chronological order.
- Focus: explore potential actions the Security Council could have taken during these crises.

Bulgaria	Guinea	Russian Federation
Cameroon	Ireland	Singapore
China	Mauritius	Syrian Arab Republic
Colombia	Mexico	United Kingdom
France	Norway	United States of America

#### IV. INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT (ICC)

- **The ICC at THIMUN 2026 includes:**
  - 3 student officers: President, Deputy President, Registrar.
  - 17 members divided into five teams:
    - 9 judges.
    - 2 members of the office of the Prosecutor and 2 members of the office of the Defence per case (independent lawyers and not part of country delegations).
- **Applications open to students who:**
  - Are academically strong.
  - Have MUN experience and knowledge of international affairs.
  - Can conduct independent research.
  - Are interested in law (legal expertise not required).
- **Applicants must:**
  - Be at least 16 years of age.
  - Indicate preferred role (Student Officer or Judge/Prosecutor/Defence).
  - Outline qualifications and experience in their application.
- **Selected participants must:**
  - Study ICC Statute, Rules of Court and procedures of the International Court.
  - Become familiar with the Model ICC Guidebook.
  - Present evidence on the case.
  - Attend the **mandatory ICC briefing on Monday, 26 January 2026** at the World Forum, The Hague.
- **COMITÉ FRANÇAIS**
- THIMUN 2026 will host a French speaking committee.
- **Comité français** : 82 pays et 2 organisations.
  - Réponse à une demande de Conseillers MUN et d'élèves.
  - Volonté de montrer la diversité linguistique et culturelle de THIMUN.
  - Nécessité d'une bonne maîtrise de la langue française.

Afrique du Sud	Chine	Iran	Norvège
Algérie	Colombie	Israël	Nouvelle-Zélande
Allemagne	Côte d'Ivoire	Italie	Oman
Angola	Croatie	Jamaïque	Pakistan
Arabie saoudite	Cuba	Japon	Pays-Bas
Argentine	Danemark	Jordanie	Pérou
Arménie	Équateur	Kazakhstan	Philippines
Australie	Égypte	Kenya	Pologne
Autriche	Espagne	Koweït	Qatar
Bangladesh	Estonie	Laos	République de Corée
Belgique	États-Unis	Liban	Rép. démo. du Congo
Bénin	Éthiopie	Madagascar	Royaume-Uni
Bolivie	Fédération de Russie	Malaisie	Thaïlande
Botswana	Finlande	Mali	Tunisie
Brésil	France	Maroc	Turquie
Bulgarie	Gabon	Mauritanie	Ukraine
Burkina Faso	Grèce	Mexique	Union africaine
Cambodge	Haïti	Mongolie	Union européenne
Cameroun	Inde	Namibie	Venezuela
Canada	Indonésie	Nigeria	Vietnam
Chili	Irak	Myanmar	Zambie

## VI. PRESS & COMMUNICATIONS

Under the guidance of the Press & Communications Coordinator, press members are responsible for conference news and online content.

### Press & Communications Delegation Roles:

- Editors
- Writers and reporters
- Photographers / videographers
- Illustrators / cartoonists
- Social media experts

### Application Requirements:

- Submit the Press & Communications Application Form.
- Familiarity with MUN and experience in at least one of the following:
  - Journalism
  - Online publishing (e.g. WordPress)
  - Photo/video editing
  - Photography/videography
  - Artwork creation
  - Social media management/content writing
- **Strongly encouraged to include work samples such as:**
  - Published articles/photos/layouts
  - Artwork
  - Essays or assignments (English, History, International relations, Art)
- **Expectations:**
  - Contribute ideas and content prior to the conference.
  - Join online meetings before the event
  - Attend a **mandatory briefing on Monday, 26 January 2026** at the World Forum The Hague

## SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

- Successful applicants will be announced by mid-October.
- Students in individual positions must travel and stay with their school delegation.
- THIMUN is not responsible for their travel or accommodation costs.

## FEEES

- All individual position holders must pay the full participant fee.
- Exception: Executive Committee members of the Student Officer team.

## CONFERENCE FEES & DEADLINES

<b>2026 CONFERENCE FEES</b>	
<b>Delegation fee per school delegation</b>	<b>€ 190.00</b>
<b>Participation fee per person</b> For MUN-Directors/Chaperones/Delegates/Student Officers/NATO/HSC/ICC/Comite francais/Press (except Executive team) Includes lunches and an HTM Public Transport Conference ticket*	<b>€ 340.00</b>
<b>Changes to FORM II after November 2025</b> Any changes made after this date will result in an updated ID badge. Replacement ID badges requested during the conference will require on-site registration and a cash payment.	<b>€ 30.00</b>

\* Schools NOT requiring the HTM Public transport cards must inform the THIMUN Office before 1 December 2025. Those schools will receive a discount of €20.00 per participant on the participation fee.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

- Financial statement available in MUNIS system after logging in at [www.apps.thimun.org/thimun/entrance](http://www.apps.thimun.org/thimun/entrance)
- Access and print statement of accounts under the "Account (financial)" section.
- Once FORM II is accepted, should a balance be due, the statement acts as an official invoice requesting payment.

### DEADLINES & CANCELLATIONS

#### Changes / Substitutions:

- After 21 November 2025, changes or substitutions require a €30.00 fee per updated ID badge.
- Requests must be submitted by email to the THIMUN Office.

#### Cancellations:

- From 21 November 2025, full fees apply regardless of attendance by the school or individual.
- No refunds issued after this date.
- Cancellation costs depend on the date. MUN-Directors must send a formal cancellation notice to the THIMUN Office ([info@thimun.org](mailto:info@thimun.org)) by the dates below:

<b>Cancellation of participant or school:</b>	
After 19 September 2025	100% of the pre-payment becomes non-refundable
After 21 November 2025	100% of all fees are due, with no refunds issued

## PAYMENTS

### DELEGATION PRE-PAYMENT

- All schools must submit a non-refundable pre-payment by **Friday, 19 September 2025**, in line with the FORM I registration deadline.
- Upon receipt of payment, THIMUN allocates delegations based on requested number of seats.
- Pre-payment must include the delegation fee (see details below).

€ 5,290.00 for a SC/ECOSOC Country (covers for 14 students plus 1 MUN-Director + Delegation Fee)
€ 4,610.00 for a SC Country (covers for 12 students plus 1 MUN-Director + Delegation Fee)
€ 3,930.00 for a Standard Delegation or ECOSOC Country (covers for 10 students plus 1 MUN- Director + Delegation Fee)
€ 2,570.00 for a Small Delegation Country (covers for 6 students plus 1 MUN-Director + Delegation Fee)
€ 1,210.00 for a Non-member Delegation (covers for 2 students plus 1 MUN-Director + Delegation Fee)

- The **remaining balance must be paid by Friday, 9 January 2026**. A complete detailed financial statement can be accessed through the MUNIS system after submission of FORM II after logging in.

### BANK TRANSFER

- **Remaining balance** due by **Friday, 9 January 2026**.
- Financial statement available via **MUNIS** after login.
- **MUN-Directors** must bring proof of payment to on-site registration.
- **All payments must:**
  - Be in euros, net of bank charges
  - Be transferred to THIMUN's ABN AMRO account
- **Bank Transfer Instructions:**
  - Must include school name
  - Mention school ID number (from MUNIS)
  - Use IBAN and BIC/SWIFT to avoid delays and extra charges

## THIMUN BANK ACCOUNT INFORMATION

**THE HAGUE INTERNATIONAL MODEL UNITED NATIONS**

**Account No.: 484264567**

**IBAN: NL03ABNA0484264567**

**BIC/SWIFT: ABNANL2A**

**ABN AMRO Bank, Koningskade 30, The Hague**

### BANK CHARGES

- Schools must cover all bank charges related to conference fee payments.
- To avoid or minimise these charges, schools should instruct their bank to transfer the **full amount net of all charges** directly to the THIMUN bank account via bank transfer.

# TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION

## TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

- Schools must arrange their own travel to/from The Hague and accommodation during the conference.
- THIMUN can only provide limited assistance.
- Schools are advised to contact **ITO Tours** for help with:
  - Hotel bookings
  - Transfers
  - Local trips in the Netherlands

## OUR TRUSTED TRAVEL AGENCY – ITO TOURS

- **The team at ITO TOURS** offers accommodation packages including transfers for a smooth and enjoyable trip to the Netherlands.
- **Additional services include:**
  - Cultural and scenic excursions in the Netherlands
  - Pre/post-conference nights in cities across the Netherlands, Belgium, or France (based on time/budget)
  - Custom excursions before/after the conference
- Visit **ITO's website** for more details (<https://itotours.com/mice/thimun/>).
- Once THIMUN registration is confirmed, schools can begin trip planning.
- Submit inquiries to [thimun@itotours.nl](mailto:thimun@itotours.nl) for personalised travel assistance tailored to exact needs, budget, and preferences.

## TRAVELLING TO THE NETHERLANDS

- Schools are strongly advised to take full responsibility for travel to/from the Netherlands for the THIMUN conference.
- **Schools should check:**
  - Official Dutch government websites
  - Their own national government websites
  - Ensure all travel and entry requirements are met.

## INSURANCE

- Schools are strongly advised to obtain **cancellation, travel, and medical insurance**.
- **THIMUN is not responsible** for any related costs incurred by schools or participants.

## KLM AIRLINES – BOOK YOUR TICKETS

- Schools attending THIMUN receive a **10% discount on KLM airfare** through a partnership with KLM.
- Discount aims to support international participation and reduce travel costs.
- **To use the offer:**
  - Book flights via KLM's dedicated THIMUN booking link
  - Apply the promotional code (provided in a separate email with full instructions).



## VISA APPLICATION PROCESS

- **For students and teachers requiring a visa to enter the Netherlands:**
    - The MUN-Director must send a formal request to the THIMUN office ([info@thimun.org](mailto:info@thimun.org))
  - **Request must include the following details for each applicant:**
    - Full name (as written in the passport)
    - Date of birth
    - Nationality
    - Passport number
    - Dates of issue and expiration
    - Email address of the visa department of the Dutch Embassy or Consulate where the application will be submitted
  - All **visa requests** for students and teachers **from the same school** must be submitted **together in a single document**.
-  **THIMUN must receive all visa request information by the end of November.**
- Visa processing takes time
    - Late submissions risk delays or non-attendance.
  - Upon receiving required information:
    - THIMUN Office issues a **formal invitation letter** to the MUN-Director for visa applications.

## TRANSPORT TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT

- **THIMUN & ITO Tours** offer an airport pick-up service to your hotel/hostel or the World Forum.
- **Alternative transport options:**
  - From **Amsterdam/Schiphol Airport**:
    - Take a direct train to **Den Haag Hollands Spoor (HS)** or **Den Haag Centraal (CS)**
  - From **Den Haag Hollands Spoor station (HS)**:
    - Take tram **1** (direction Scheveningen, stop **World Forum**)
  - From **Den Haag Centraal Station (CS)**, there are **3 possibilities**:
    - Take Tram **17** (direction Statenkwartier, stop **Kunstmuseum Den Haag**)
    - Take Bus **24** (direction Kijkduin, stop **Kunstmuseum Den Haag**)
    - Take Bus **28** (direction DH Zuiderstrand, stop **Statenplein**)
  - All options are within a short walking distance to the conference venue.

## HTM PUBLIC TRANSPORT CONFERENCE TICKET

- At registration, all participants (students, MUN-Directors, chaperones) receive a **4-day HTM public transport ticket** (valid Tuesday thru Friday).
- Ticket allows unlimited tram/bus travel in **The Hague and Scheveningen** during the conference.
- **Extra day cards** available online via the HTM website.
- Schools **not needing HTM cards** must notify the THIMUN Office by **1 December 2025**.
  - These schools receive a **€20.00 discount per participant** on the participation fee.

## ACCOMMODATION

- THIMUN requires accommodation details for all participants during the conference.
- Schools must provide the **name of their accommodation** on **FORM II**.
- **Local students** staying at home are **exempt from this requirement**.
- Information is for administrative purposes only.
- THIMUN does **not handle hotel bookings or changes**.

# CONDUCT

## GENERAL BEHAVIOUR

- THIMUN The Hague is an educational simulation of UN Councils
  - Delegates act as **diplomats and ambassadors** for their assigned country and school.
- High standards of **personal conduct and behaviour** are required both inside and outside the World Forum.
- **Proper delegate behaviour** is essential for maintaining strong relations with the **World Forum, the City of The Hague, as well as the diplomatic and business communities.**
- Schools must **select students carefully** and avoid bringing those likely to cause disciplinary issues.
- Misconduct can affect the reputation of both **THIMUN, and the school** involved.
- **Attendance at THIMUN is by invitation.** Schools or individual students may lose the privilege if students do not uphold proper standards and accepted behaviour.

## MUN-DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES AND CONDUCT

- All students must be **accompanied and supervised by designated MUN-Director(s).**
- A MUN-Director must be a teacher at the school or one of the participating schools
- Each group should have **at least two MUN-Directors.**
  - Small or local delegations may have just one MUN-Director
- **Students staying in hotels must be supervised by MUN-Directors, who must:**
  - Stay in the same hotel
  - Have rooms located close to student rooms
  - Sign the hotel Code of Conduct (via ITO PCO) and ensure student compliance
- At least one MUN-Director per school must be:
  - **Present at the World Forum** during conference hours
  - Attend the **MUN-Director meeting on Tuesday**
- **MUN-Directors** are required to **adhere to the dress code** (see below).

## DRESS CODE

- **Formal dress and appropriate footwear** are required at all meetings, reflecting what real UN diplomats wear.
- **Prohibited attire** includes:
  - National dress
  - Military uniforms
  - Armbands
- Dress code is enforced to maintain professionalism and avoid offending other delegates.

## CONDUCT IN THE WORLD FORUM

- Delegates and teachers must be courteous to World Forum staff and THIMUN staff, many of whom volunteer their own time to serve participants.
- **Smoking is strictly prohibited** throughout the World Forum.
- **Alcohol consumption and drug use** is not permitted.

## CONDUCT IN HOTELS

- THIMUN relies on the **goodwill of hotels** to offer affordable accommodation for delegates.
- **Poor behaviour by even one student** can jeopardise future hotel availability.
- Students must act responsibly to maintain **positive relationships with hotel staff and management.**
  - Students must **always be polite and considerate to hotel staff and other guests.**
  - A **curfew of 11 p.m.** is recommended each night. **No noise in hotel rooms after 10 p.m.**

## **TOBACCO, ALCOHOL AND DRUGS**

- **Smoking, alcohol and drug use are strictly prohibited inside the World Forum.**
- MUN-Directors must set and enforce their own rules for students outside the venue.
- **In the Netherlands, the legal drinking age is 18.**
- MUN-Directors are responsible for enforcing rules on tobacco, alcohol, and drugs both on and off conference premises.

## **THIMUN POLICY ON UNDIPLOMATIC BEHAVIOUR, BULLYING, HARASSMENT AND DISCRIMINATION**

- All forms of disrespectful behaviour, bullying, harassment, and discrimination are strictly prohibited in preparation of and during THIMUN conferences.
- Disrespectful behaviour violates THIMUN's educational mission and core values.
- Incidents of undiplomatic behaviour, bullying, harassment or discrimination should be reported to the THIMUN Foundation's Board or staff either directly or through:
  - Faculty advisor
  - Head committee chair
  - Executive student officers
- Consequences may include:
  - Verbal reprimand
  - Expulsion from the conference without compensation
  - Barring individuals and/or their schools from future THIMUN events and conferences
- The THIMUN Foundation reserves the right to take any actions they deem necessary to ensure a safe and respectful environment.

### **PHYSICAL AND EMOTIONAL SAFETY**

- Every THIMUN participant has the right to feel safe, included and affirmed.
- THIMUN is committed to creating a community in which all students and staff thrive, and all identities are affirmed and protected.
- Undiplomatic behaviour, bullying, harassment, and discrimination violate THIMUN's core values and are not acceptable at THIMUN conferences.

### **UNDESIRABLE BEHAVIOUR**

- THIMUN wants to ensure a **pleasant and safe environment** for all participants.
- Discrimination, intimidation, vandalism, provocation, aggression, bullying, nuisance, or violence in any form will **not be tolerated**.
- Such behaviour may lead to removal from the conference without a refund.

### **DEFINITION OF BULLYING:**

- **Bullying includes written, verbal, digital, or physical actions that:**
  - Harm a student's ability to participate in or benefit from a THIMUN conference
  - Place a student in reasonable fear of harm
- **Bullying may be based on actual or perceived:**
  - Race, colour, national origin
  - Sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression
  - Disability
  - Religion
- **Bullying also includes targeting a student due to characteristics of someone they associate with (e.g., friend or family member).**

**DEFINITION OF HARASSEMENT:**

- **Harassment** includes written, verbal, digital, or physical actions that:
  - Negatively impact a student’s ability to participate in or benefit from a THIMUN conference
- **May be based on actual or perceived:**
  - Race, colour, national origin
  - Sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression
  - Disability
  - Religion
- **Harassment also includes conduct that targets a student because of a characteristic of a student’s friend, family member, or associated group.**

**DEFINITION OF CYBERBULLYING:**

- **Cyberbullying** involves using any electronic or digital communication to **bully or harass**.
  - Applies **regardless of location** or type of digital platform used.
  - Follows the same definitions and standards as bullying and harassment (see above definitions).

## THIMUN AFFILIATED CONFERENCES

- The **THIMUN Foundation Affiliation Programme** supports the development of **high-quality MUN conferences** worldwide.
- **THIMUN-Affiliated conferences:**
  - Uphold high standards
  - Are externally evaluated
  - Commit to offering a strong educational experience
- Aim: provide MUN opportunities to students **unable to attend main THIMUN conferences**.
- THIMUN-Affiliated MUNs are encouraged to:
  - **Engage with local communities**
  - Promote participation from **local schools** in their region
- For a full list of affiliated conferences available, see <http://foundation.thimun.org/affiliation-programme/affiliated-conferences/>

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