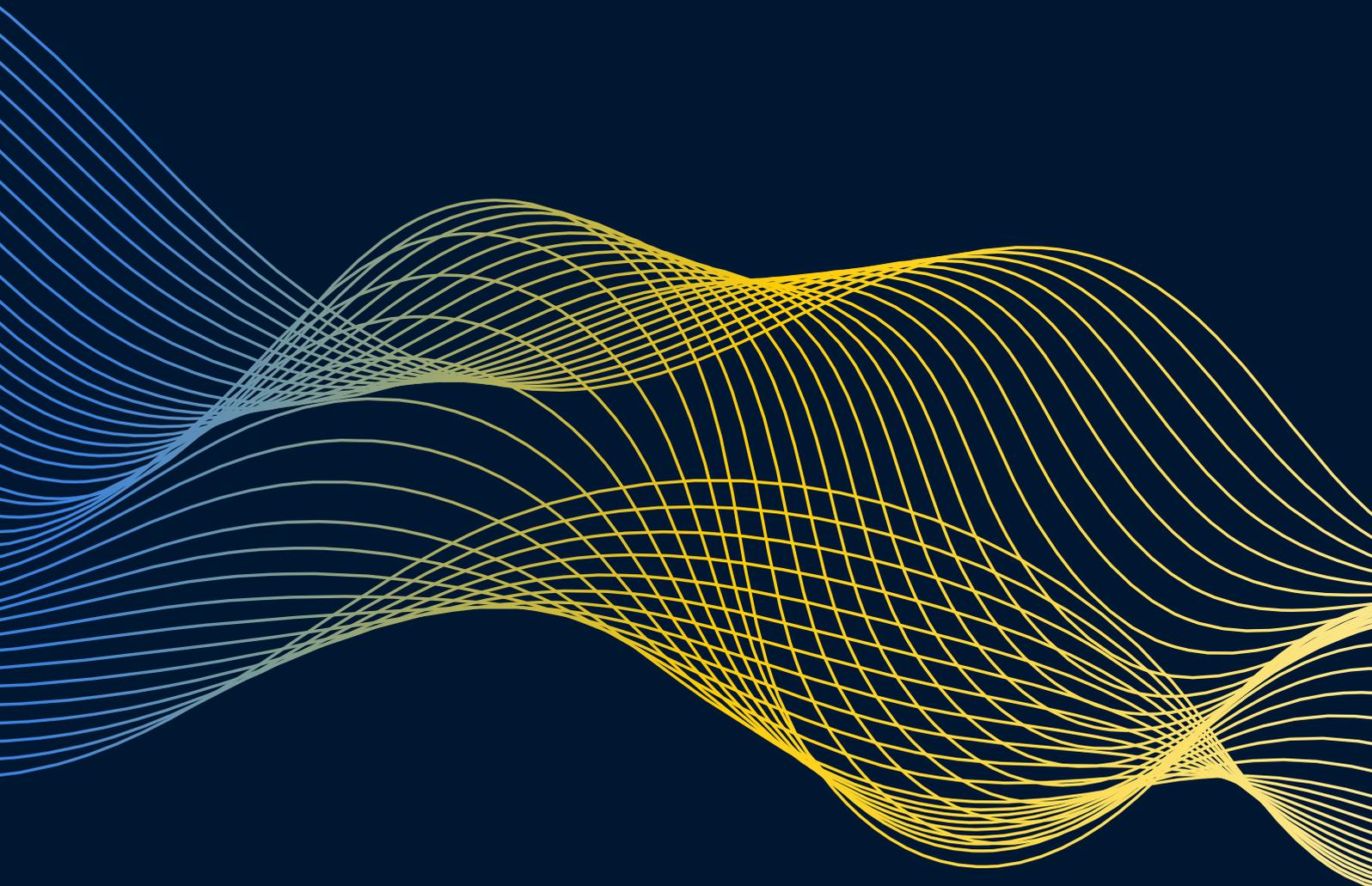


RAJAGIRI MODEL UNITED NATIONS INDIA 2023



28TH - 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2023



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Delegate Handbook



CONFERENCE THEME



HARMONY

THROUGH

DIALOGUE



In an interconnected world where diversity flourishes, promoting understanding via open discussion becomes essential. Through thoughtful dialogues, nations may develop a path to cooperation, paving the way for a peaceful global community.

COMMITTEES AT RMUN INDIA 2023



General Assembly



Economic and Financial Committee

Agenda: Digitalisation of the economy

Room: ****will be updated soon****

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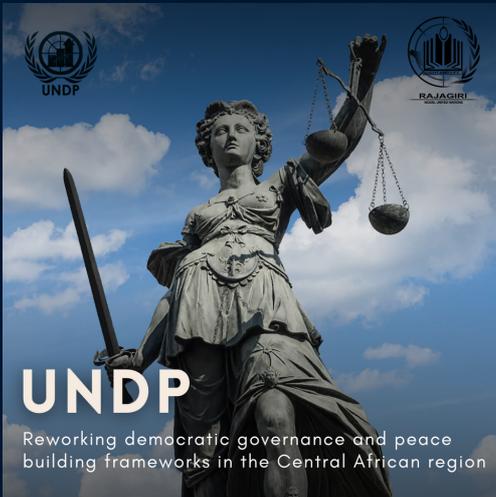
Special Political and Decolonization Committee

Agenda: Neo-colonialism and the implications of off-shore military bases and humanitarian intervention

Room: ****will be updated soon****

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Specialized agencies



United Nations Development Programme

Agenda: Reworking democratic governance and peace building frameworks in the Central African region

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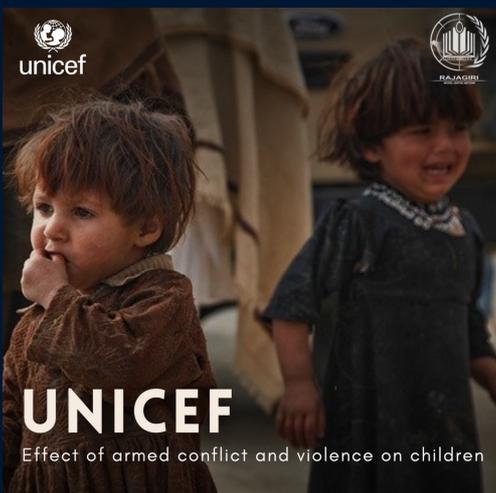


United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Agenda: Addressing the increased discrimination and social exclusion faced by female refugees

Room: ****will be updated soon****

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United Nations Children's Fund

Agenda: Effect of armed conflict and violence on children

Room: ****will be updated soon****

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RULES OF PROCEDURE



UN4MUN is the official Model UN platform provided by the United Nations Department of Public Information (UNDPI). Model UN is one of the most popular ways to learn about the workings of the United Nations. Conferences are organised by hundreds of educational institutions at all levels to engage young students in diplomatic debates and conversations that resemble those at the United Nations.

Consensus between delegates will play a major role in RMUN.

The flow of MUN proceedings will be as follows:

1. Opening Ceremony



2. General Debate, also known as the Formal Debate, where delegates wishing to speak will specify their point of view on the topic. The Formal Debate could be considered equivalent to a General Speakers List in the UNAUSA procedural format.

The speech should include the policy of the country and the past actions the country has taken pertaining to the issue. The delegate can also mention the solutions to the concerned issue and how the committee should be moving ahead.



3. After all the delegates have spoken, the committee will break into groups which may be political, regional, or otherwise, which are usually referred to as blocs.

These blocs meet up during informal sessions – specified further in the Rules of Procedure (similar to Unmoderated Caucuses in the UNAUSA format) to partake in discussions on how the bloc, as a whole, would like the committee to move forward as well as for the drafting of resolutions. (There will not be any working paper).

Please keep in mind that selecting who is in your bloc should be strategic and done on a case-by-case basis. Just because you have something in common with another delegate does not necessarily mean that you would want to join a bloc with them.

A MUN bloc can be created based on anything that would bring together a group of diplomats, including shared values, interests, mutual opponents, a regional, cultural, or ideological tie.

4. The drafting of resolutions occurs during numerous informal sessions.

The presentation of resolutions would happen toward the last committee sessions.

There will be a question-and-answer session following the presentation. If no objections are voiced, the resolution will be approved by consensus; voting will only take place in the event of an objection. (which would be looked upon unfavourably by the Executive Board, as the objective of the conference with the UN4MUN procedure is to come to a consensus)

After the question-and-answer period, amendments can be proposed.

There will not be friendly or unfriendly amendments, as there is in the UNA-USA model, and the amendment would only take effect with the approval of signatories and committee consensus.



5. The blocs will then try to merge their draft resolutions (Vienna Formula) into at most two draft resolutions, which will be submitted to the chair for amendments and discussion by the committee.

HOW THE VIENNA FORMULA WORKS:

All the blocs engage in negotiations and discussion to combine their individual draft resolutions into a single draft resolution during this process. The committee's objective is for everyone to concur so that you won't even have to cast a vote on the Draft Resolution. Technically, the committee may succeed if a vote is required owing to a lack of agreement, but morally, the committee fails.

6. Other than formal debate, RMUN will incorporate formal informal and informal informal sessions.

Formal informal sessions are similar to moderated caucus in the UNA-USA procedure and it will incorporate discussions on certain subtopics of the main agenda. The focus point of the speeches in the formal informal session is the wide variety of solutions a delegate can put forward in the floor related to the specific subtopics. These solutions will then be included in the draft resolutions of each blocs.



7. Informal informal sessions are where diplomats meet informally to draft resolutions within their blocs or meet to discuss points which would require consensus. Consensus cannot be achieved without negotiations. The highlight of RMUN is negotiations that must be employed by all delegates. These sessions are not moderated by the chair.

8. Formal informal sessions are chaired and diplomats are to bring in amendments to the draft resolutions. Everybody gets to voice their opinion on the resolution.

9. There are no votes since the UN believes it is more important that a resolution be passed by consensus rather than by votes, where every country big or small has the right to voice their opinion. It is important that everyone gets an opportunity to be heard by everyone else.

10. Closing Plenary.

POINTS

In contrast to the UNA-USA Format, the UN4MUN format only uses two points:

a. Point of Order: This is brought up whenever a delegate would like to draw attention to a meeting rule that was infringed.

b. Right to Reply: In UN4MUN, once the Right to Reply has been granted to a delegate, speakers may take their speaking time after the Formal Debate has been closed. Nevertheless, depending on the committee's strength, we may decide to allow a delegate to exercise his or her right to reply during the Speaker's List.

CONFERENCE POLICIES



Dress Code Policy

Participants are to dress in formal wear (western business attire) throughout RMUN.

RMUN expects students to be formally dressed, appropriate for a professional setting. Delegates should not wear any distracting clothes, jewellery which may be inappropriate in any way and may call attention to themselves.

Cross-cultural Awareness Policy

Rajagiri Model United Nations India highlights the need for the delegates to be mindful that other delegates that will be attending the conference will have opinions other than their own on the subjects discussed throughout the conference.

We kindly request that all delegates and faculty advisors keep an open mind throughout the conference and show respect to the other participants, especially in their choices of language at RMUN India, in order to further our goal, which is to foster interaction and increase cultural understanding between the young people who make up the future of the world.

Delegate Code of Conduct

The RMUN conference follows a strict and thorough code of conduct that acts as a guideline for all participants. Throughout the event, the code is intended to uphold the ideals of respect, professionalism, and diplomacy.

1. Delegates are expected to converse only in English
2. Delegates are expected to follow decorum guidelines and exhibit a pleasant and courteous approach when interacting with others.
3. They must respect opposing viewpoints and cultural backgrounds while avoiding any type of prejudice or insulting behaviour.
4. Delegates should also encourage constructive discourse and active listening, fostering an environment of open communication and collaboration.
5. The proper use of parliamentary language, as well as addressing fellow delegates by their official country names, adds to the spirit of diplomacy and professionalism.

If the delegate fails to adhere to such regulations, apposite action will be taken against such actions. RMUN also expects the delegates to carry out their research, as well as their interactions during the span of the conference with utmost sublimity.

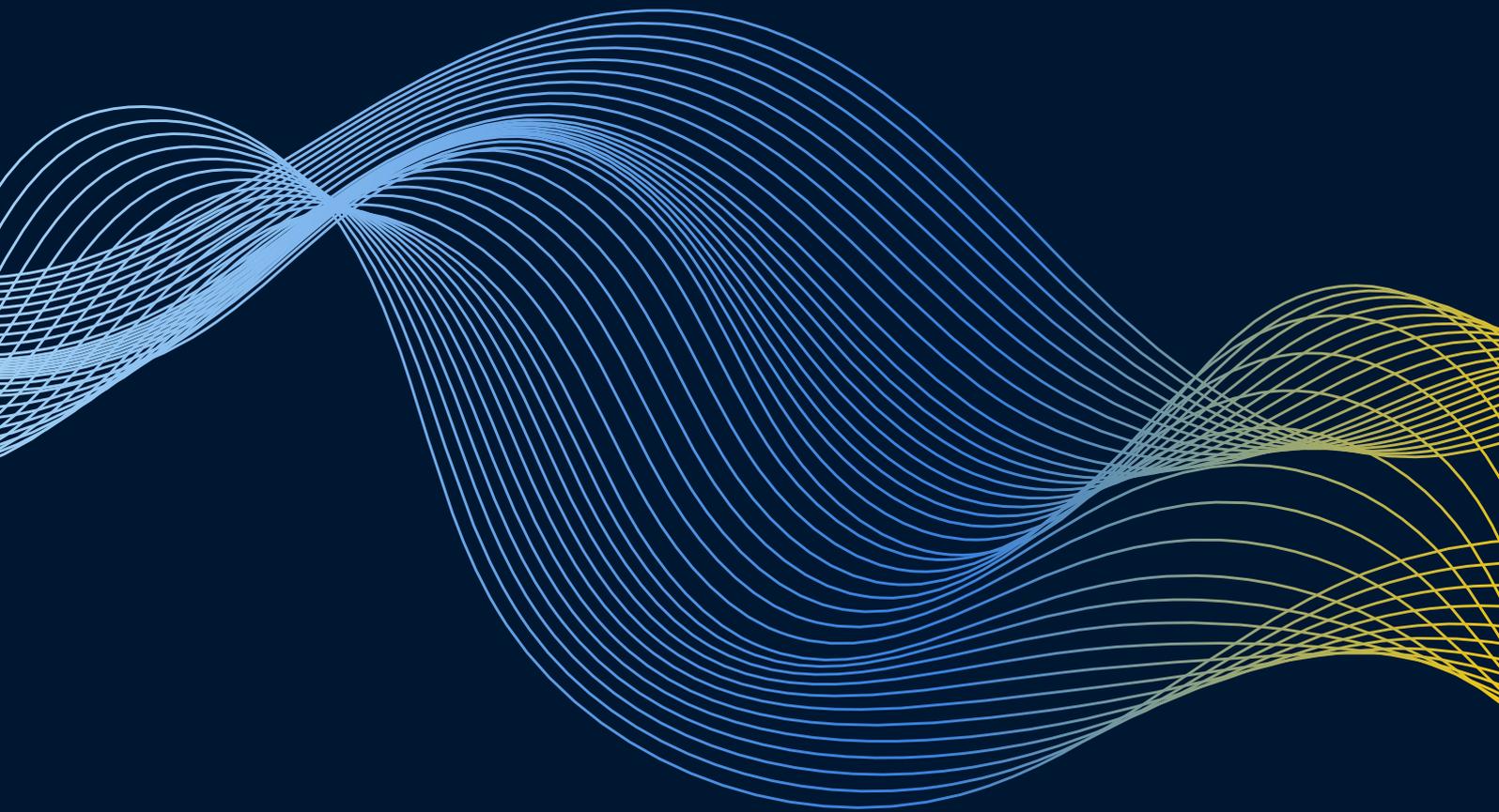
Substance Policy

Delegates must refrain from using substances, alcohol, cigarettes, or vapes during the RMUN '23 conference to ensure a professional and respectful atmosphere; violation will result in disciplinary actions as determined by the organizing committee.

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