

## THIMUN Qatar- Education for Advocacy through Model UN



Since 1968, the THIMUN Foundation has been organizing world-class MUN activities and conferences for high school students. It operates MUN conferences in The Hague, Singapore, Latin America, and Doha, Qatar. THIMUN plays an important role in developing youth leaders and giving a platform for young people to share their ideas. In 1995, the THIMUN Foundation was accredited as a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) associated with the United Nations Department of Public Information. In 2003, the THIMUN Foundation was granted Roster Consultative Status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council. We hope that you will join us in shaping global opinion now and in the future.

In 2010, Qatar Academy won the right to bring THIMUN Qatar to the school, and the program has now served over 20,000 high school students, with just under half being international students. In 2015 THIMUN Qatar became its own entity as a Pre University Education Program in Qatar Foundation.

As global leaders in education, THIMUN events are global influencers through modelling good practise, as well as directly educating participants in the SDGs through their conferences, programs and projects.



The Hague International Model United Nations (THIMUN) Qatar is the largest Model United Nations conference in the Middle East. The THIMUN Foundation's philosophy is that events are run and organized by high school students for high school students. THIMUN Qatar welcomes over 80 schools to its conference each year, with half of them residing outside of Qatar. THIMUN Qatar participants have the opportunity to meet and interact with a diverse range of students from virtually every continent, creating a microcosm of the United Nations each January in Doha. Students also run and participate in a mock International Court of Justice, as well as engage in two foreign language committees where global issues are debated in both Arabic and French.

Successful participation in THIMUN Qatar requires that students adequately study the country they will be representing, and investigate four topics that will be debated in their committee. The committees replicate the structure of the United Nations, with students engaging in discussions revolving around disarmament, legal and budgetary issues, human rights, economic and social development, as well as the issues that have been discussed in the Security Council. The ultimate goal of committee work is to seek consensus around finding solutions to pressing global issues.



Model United Nations trains students to walk in the shoes of another, and to assume a country position that might be quite different from their own beliefs. By bringing students together from all over the world to discuss and collaborate on solutions, and to engage in public speaking and debate on complex issues from their adopted viewpoint, they are developing the higher level critical thinking and collaborative skills that are the foundation of engaged and tolerant global citizenry. THIMUN Qatar is not only about current events and public speaking, but also about providing a life changing experience to today's emerging leaders.



These skills come together in the annual Qatar Leadership Conference, where students identify the largest gaps in the student body's knowledge base, and work to put together workshops to fill that gap. The Qatar Leadership Conference is the largest student led skills development conference in the region with over 900 students from 33 schools from



6 countries including Oman, the USA, Taiwan and India. Student Executives, supported and facilitated by the THIMUN Qatar office select and develop 132 workshops led by over 130 international, local and student leaders working at the tops of their fields. This conference is also a valuable networking opportunity for students to work with like minded peers, guided by passionate workshop leaders from around the world!



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THIMUN Qatar is a quality educational experience  
looking for partners to bring events and programming to more students in Qatar, and the world.

*Together we can do more, achieve more, and ultimately reach more  
of the youth of our region.*

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