QLC 2020
QATAR LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

November, 2020
Deadline for registration 30 June, 2020

9th Annual QLC
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The Qatar Leadership Conference, a project run by THIMUN Qatar, is the largest professional development conference in the Middle East devoted to high school students and their teachers.

The conference is designed around the concept of developing student and teacher leadership within schools specifically in the areas of Model United Nations, film and media studies, and leadership through community engagement. The QLC is based on the THIMUN philosophy of student leadership whereby student leadership teams organize and run the conference for their peers.

The conference brings together student and teacher participants, as well as regional and international industry leaders, to exchange ideas and develop partnerships. The conference is based on an open format where participants are free to choose which workshop to attend over eleven workshop sessions. With over 132 workshops to choose from during the two and a half day event, the QLC provides multiple opportunities to engage in thought provoking workshops and develop tangible skills. Workshops at QLC are intended for students and educators alike.

The Qatar Leadership Conference is meant to inspire action and collaboration from its participants, furthering the development of motivated, ethical, and globally-minded agents of change.

COVID 19 UPDATE:

Due to the current Pandemic there could be possibility that the QLC will be conducted online:

- we will send confirmation by the 24th September 2020
- If online then the QLC will take place from 1 - 5 November 2020
WHAT WOULD ONLINE QLC LOOK LIKE: AN OVERVIEW

Every effort of the THIMUN Qatar team will be made to make QLC 2020 the best one yet. If due to the COVID-19 pandemic we have to take our QLC online, this is a brief outline of what it will look like for you and your student participants.

THE STRUCTURE:

– The conference will be run: **Sunday - Thursday**
– Each workshop will take place in **the evening from 5 - 8pm**
– **88 workshops over 4 days**
– **New incubator day** - on the last day 5th day - where sessions will be focused on meeting the presenters for follow up Q&A, **Network, Guidance on Starting Projects & A Call To Action**. These will be along the **11 QLC themes**.

– In order to achieve a digital certification participant will need to attend at **least 8 sessions** over the course of the week.

COST:

– If QLC goes online then this will drastically reduce the cost
– Fees will be **QAR 100**
– **No deposit fee required**
– Final payment to be received by **13th October 2020**
COUNTDOWN TO PARTICIPATION

APRIL
FORM I Opens.
In April schools will receive the Administrative Handbook and access to registration forms.

MAY
International Presenter Applications deadline closes May 30, 2020

JULY
Student Presenter Applications Deadline closes July 30th

SEPTEMBER
By 24th September 2020 (FORM II — Registration Deadline) schools must upload on the database a complete list of the names of all participants. Please ensure that names are spelt correctly as the badges and certificates are printed directly from the database. (See page 10 for charges for delegate substitution and badge replacement).

Please note that any student that has applied to be a Student Officer for THIMUN Qatar 2021 MUST attend QLC 2020.

In the end of September all schools will receive a Statement of Account based on the registration information submitted in FORM II on the database, as well as the latest information for the conference. Participants fees are set at QAR 550 or QAR 100 (If Online). Based on this information schools should then settle their outstanding registration fees.

OCTOBER
Conference Programme with workshop information will be published on the website http://qatar.thimun.org

Any changes after 24th September (the close of Form II) will be charged at QAR 150.

Please note that there will be no substitutions accepted after October 3rd.

Payment for all conference fees should be settled by 13th October 2020.

The Qatar Leadership Conference takes place November 2020 at QNCC or Online

RETURNING FORMS
Submission details for Forms I & II can be found on our website http://qatar.thimun.org

Please note that all forms need to be submitted online.

MAILINGS
THIMUN Qatar sends out monthly mailings with important reminders and updates. Please carefully read your mailing each month.

SUMMARY
- Registration closes June 30th, 2020
- FORM II closes September 24th, 2020
  Final payment due from 24th September, 2020
- Schools are liable for all fees from 24th September
- Changes to delegations are subject to QAR 150 fees, and must be no later than 3rd October
# Provisional Programme of Events

## Wednesday 4 November

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<td>Admin, Press, IT and Executive teams arrive</td>
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## Thursday 5 November

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<td>12:30</td>
<td>Admin, Press and IT teams arrive</td>
<td>Meeting Rooms</td>
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<td>2:00-2:30</td>
<td>Registration</td>
<td>Registration Desk</td>
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<td>2:30-3:00</td>
<td>Adult Presenters meeting <strong>mandatory</strong></td>
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<td>3:30-4:10</td>
<td>Opening Plenary with Keynote</td>
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<td>4:10-4:20</td>
<td>Break</td>
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<td>Session 1 Workshops</td>
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<td>Session 2 Workshops</td>
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<td>Gala Dinner</td>
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<td>Plenary Session with Keynote</td>
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<td>9:40-10:30</td>
<td>Session 3 Workshops</td>
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<td>11:30-1:00</td>
<td>Lunch and Networking Circles</td>
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<td>Friday Prayer</td>
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<td>Session 10 Workshops</td>
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<td>11:50-1:20</td>
<td>Lunch and Networking Circle</td>
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<td>1:20-2:10</td>
<td>Session 11 Workshops</td>
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<td>2:20-2:50</td>
<td>Closing Plenary with Keynote</td>
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The Qatar Leadership Conference hosts three distinct presenter categories:

**INTERNATIONAL PRESENTERS** are innovative, inspiring industry leaders from a wide range of fields based around the world. Many QLC presenters travel to Doha to share their knowledge and expertise in a variety of disciplines. There are also a limited number of exceptional international students that present.

**LOCAL PRESENTERS** are adults based in Qatar. They include diplomats, academics, teachers, MUN directors, guidance counsellors, and other professionals in the fields of education, film, and media/journalism.

**STUDENT PRESENTERS** are high school students sharing their knowledge on MUN, public speaking and media studies, to name a few.

In addition to the featured presenters the conference will host approximately 100 presenters during the three-day event. The full program of presenters will be released in September.
CONFERENCE FEES AND DEADLINES

CONFERENCE FEES

Participation fee per person for Delegates, MUN Directors, Press and Student Officers (except Executive Committee)
QAR 550 or QAR 100 (if Online).

Substitution Fee
Changes to Participant/Delegate registration after 24th September (Form II), but no later than 3rd October QAR 150

Badge replacement Fee
replacement of lost or missing ID badge during the conference (cash payment) 30 QAR

REGISTRATIONS

Form I – Online registration
Required Info: estimated school participation numbers.

Form II – Online Registration
Required info: student information name, DoB, nationality.

Financial Statement
The MUN-Director will be required to sign a declaration on Form I. Acknowledging that they and their school administrator agree to THIMUN Qatar policies regarding fees and cancellation costs and that they agree that their school is obliged to pay in full for the number of students and teachers forecast to attend (see attendance forecast on Form I). A final statement of numbers and names of participants is required to be submitted into the database by 24th September.

CHANGES & CANCELLATIONS

Changes / Substitutions
After 24th September, substitutions for students unable to attend will only be permitted on payment of an administrative charge of 150 QAR. All changes and substitutions have to be sent to the THIMUN Qatar office in writing. No changes will be accepted after 3rd October.

Cancellations
From 24th September the full fees are due, whether or not a school, or an individual participant, for whatever reason, actually attends. The full fees for services ordered through THIMUN Qatar are due as soon as the THIMUN Qatar Office receives the appropriate form. Cancellation costs will vary according to the date the written cancellation is received by the THIMUN Qatar Office:

Cancellation of participant
– after 24th September: 100% of fees plus charges due
PAYMENT

PAYMENTS
All payments are to be made in Qatari Riyal and net of all bank charges (see below):

Bank Transfer
Please clearly indicate your SCHOOL NAME and the purpose of the payment:
(QLC REGISTRATION FEES)

Bank Name: Qatar National Bank
Name: THIMUN Qatar
Account Number: 0013-035555-055
Branch: Corporate Branch
Swift Code: QNBAQAQA
IBAN: QA87 QNBA 0000 0000 0013 0355 5505 5
Address: Education City, Al Luqta Street, Doha, Qatar

BANK CHARGES

Schools are responsible for the payment of all bank charges related to the processing of checks and payment of fees. To avoid or minimize such charges, schools should instruct their bank to transfer the money, net of bank charges, directly by bank transfer to the THIMUN Qatar account. Any outstanding bank charges must be settled in full the first day of the conference.

Overpayment
THIMUN Qatar’s financial transactions are processed by Qatar Foundation. It is extremely difficult for schools to receive refunds on overpayments. THIMUN Qatar offers credit in the amount of the overpayment to be used at the discretion of the school for future THIMUN Qatar related activities.
Qatar has an extremely active MUN scene, with a number of one and two day conferences held throughout the year. The THIMUN Qatar Office actively supports the development and growth of Model United Nations in the country. The conferences below are based on THIMUN procedures.

**NOVEMBER 19-20, 2020**
Park House English School

**NOVEMBER 24-26, 2020**
Doha College MUN (DCMUN)

**JANUARY, Date (TBA), 2021**
Mesaieed International School (MISMUN)

**FEBRUARY 16-19, 2021**
THIMUN Qatar Conference

**MARCH 5-6, 2021**
Dhukan English School (DESMUN)

**MARCH 27-28, 2021**
Middle School MUN Qatar (MSMUN-Q)

**Date (TBA)**
International School of London Qatar (ISLQ)
With the expansion of Model United Nations throughout the region, the demand for teacher-level assistance and training is growing. The THIMUN Qatar Office, in collaboration with Best Delegate, is proud to offer this professional development opportunity for teachers and directors: the Directors Training Institute.

At the institute, participants will learn how to teach fundamental Model UN skills to beginner delegates through fun and engaging activities. Participants will be trained to deliver a series of one-hour workshops on research, public speaking, resolution writing and other skills that will help delegates prepare for Model UN conferences. The institute requires pre-conference preparation.

At its conclusion, participants will be awarded Level 1 or Level 2 Best Delegate Trainer Certification, a digital credential that can be professionally shared, and access to an MUN processional learning network (PLN). This is part of a larger two-tiered training program that will lead to full Best Delegate Trainer certification.

If you are new to Model UN, or looking for ways to help your delegates learn Model UN and set them up for success, the Director’s Institute is here for you. For more information, please contact the THIMUN Qatar office.

Sign up for Best Delegate will open September 24th to all teachers bringing a delegation to QLC 2020.
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