



**Administrative Booklet**



# **MSMUN-Q 2024**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL MODEL UNITED NATIONS QATAR**

**1 - 2 March, 2024**

**Deadline for registration January 31, 2024**



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## MIDDLE SCHOOL MODEL UNITED NATIONS - OVERVIEW

THIMUN Qatar is pleased to announce the launch of MSMUN-Q, a dedicated middle school conference for schools in the gulf region and beyond

Delegates will enjoy committee sizes no larger than 40, and specially trained student officer staff, and age-appropriate academic support for newer delegates. MSMUN-Q is structured to meet the needs of younger delegates, with Student Officers carefully chosen to support middle school students. The goal is to provide a fun, structured and supportive environment through an engaging and high quality Model United Nations experience

THIMUN Qatar events are non-competitive and as such do not give awards. Delegates can expect to leave MSMUN-Q feeling good about their accomplishments and excited about Model UN.

MSMUNQ centres around not only the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) but also includes the Qatar National Vision (QNV). There is significant overlap with the SDGs and the QNVs, and this conference is a step towards building that bridge.

MSMUNQ also includes a half day of service activities both on and off site, which highlight the connection to the Issues on the agenda, SDGs and QNV.

## COUNTDOWN TO PARTICIPATION

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### DECEMBER, 2023

Student officer and executive applications are available.  
Topics posted on the MSMUN-Q website.

Student Officer and executive applications are due  
on 17th of December, 2023.

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### JANUARY, 2024

FORM I closes and FORM II opens on 31st of  
January, 2024 through our online registration  
platform [MUNIS](#)

QMUNITY Press application are due on 31st of  
January, 2024. [CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)

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### FEBRUARY, 2024

**Country assignments are issued 1st Feb 2024**

**FORM II closes by 12th of February, 2024.**

**No more changes to delegate numbers are  
allowed after 17th Feb**

Final Payments are due 25th Feb 2024

There are no more substitutions to be made after  
25th Feb 2024

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### MARCH, 2022

**The conference takes place Friday and  
Saturday 1-2 March 2024**

### RETURNING FORMS

Submission details for Forms I & II can be found on our website  
<https://qatar.thimun.org/middle-school-model-united-nations-qatar/>

### MAILINGS

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

The conference, open to students grade 6-8/ year 7-9 (ages 11-13).  
Students who have participated in THIMUN Qatar in 2019 will  
not be eligible to participate in MSMUN-Q. The conference will  
be open to a limited number of international schools.

For more information, please contact Amina Hassan, Head of  
THIMUN Qatar, at [amshassan@qf.org.qa](mailto:amshassan@qf.org.qa)

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

FRIDAY 1 MARCH	8:00	Registration Opens
	9:00–9:30	Welcome Session with Keynote Speaker
	9:40–10:30	Opening Speeches
	10:40–11:30	Lobbying & Merging
	11:30–12:30	Lunch & Prayer Break
	12:40–1:30	Lobbying & Merging
	1:40–2:30	Debate
	2:30–2:45	Break
	2:50–4:30	Debate
SATURDAY 2 MARCH	9:00–9:50	Debate
	10:00–10:50	Debate
	11:00–11:30	Debate
	11:30–12:30	Lunch
	1:30–2:30	Debate
	2:30–5:00	Service ACTIVITY
	5:00–5:30	Closing Ceremony

# DELEGATIONS 2024

**CCPCJ = Commission on Crime Prevention and**

**Criminal Justice**

**SC = Security Council**

**ECO = ECOSOC**

**HSC = Historical Security Council**

## MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS

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



## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

Countries will be assigned as General Assemblies only with no special Councils or Commissions. All Member and Non Member delegations will have access to all 10 Sustainable Development Goals Committees.

COMMITTEE	ISSUE 1	ISSUE 2
<b>1 NO POVERTY</b>	End child poverty for children in Gaza	Measures to alleviate rural Poverty in South Asia
<b>3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING</b>	Promotion of Sports and wellness initiatives in the Arabian Peninsula QNV STRAND: <b>SOCIAL</b>	Improving emergency response coordination for Natural Disasters and Health Crises QNV STRAND: <b>SOCIAL</b>
<b>4 QUALITY EDUCATION</b>	Enhancing teacher training and professional development in Latin America with focus on Educational Standards	Promotion of STEM based education in post conflict zones
<b>5 GENDER EQUALITY</b>	Measures to implement reforms to counter discrimination against women in the workplace QNV STRAND: <b>HUMAN</b>	Measures to improve Maternal care for women in Sub-Saharan Africa QNV STRAND: <b>HUMAN</b>
<b>8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH</b>	Measures to promote youth entrepreneurship in the GCC nations. QNV STRAND: <b>ECONOMIC</b>	Measures to improve minimum wage in developing countries QNV STRAND: <b>ECONOMIC</b>
<b>9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE</b>	Measures to eradicate the digital divide between developed and developing nations	Ensuring digital security for industrial systems, reducing economic disruptions
<b>11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES</b>	Tackling housing affordability by promoting inclusive policies for accessible and affordable housing in urban areas	Implementing sustainable urban mobility by reducing congestion and pollution in urban transportation
<b>12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION</b>	Addressing the issue of waste generated by fast fashion.	Measures to reduce single use plastics and e waste
<b>13 CLIMATE ACTION</b>	The issue of permanently banning ICE vehicles and replacing them with electric vehicles QNV STRAND: <b>ENVIRONMENTAL</b>	Measures to reduce the dependence on fossil fuels and increase CNG usage QNV STRAND: <b>ENVIRONMENTAL</b>
<b>16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS</b>	The issue of drug trafficking in the MENA region	Measures to increase equal representation in elected bodies

## CONFERENCE FEES AND DEADLINES

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#### Participation Fee Per Person

for Delegates, MUN Directors, Press and Student Officer (except Executive Committee) **500 QAR**

Please do not send any fee until your delegation size has been confirmed by the TQ office.

#### Substitution Fee

Changes to Participant/Delegate registration after 17 February (Form II) **150 QAR**

#### Badge Replacement Fee

Replacement of lost or missing ID badge during the conference (cash payment) **50 QAR**

### REGISTRATIONS

#### Form I

Required Info: estimated school participation numbers and initial conference deposit of **2000 QAR** by January 17.

#### Form II

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 14 February.

### CHANGES & CANCELLATIONS

#### Changes / Substitutions

After 27 February, 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.

#### Cancellations

From 14 February 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 12 February: 100% of conference deposit
- after 17 February: 100% of fees plus charges due

### IMPORTANT NOTES ON AGE/GRADE FOR PARTICIPANTS

#### Age Requirements for Delegates

MSMUN-Q is strictly a middle school conference, open to students in grades 6-8 (or year 7-9), with student age ranging from 11-14. Directors are required to adhere to these guidelines. Any student who has completed grade 8 or the equivalent is not eligible for this Middle School conference. Students who have attended the THIMUN Qatar conference are also not eligible for MSMUN-Q.



## PAYMENT

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All schools must pay the non-refundable delegation prepayment or deposit of **2000 QAR by 31 January**

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 (MSMUN-Q Registration Fees):

Bank Name: **Qatar National Bank Account**  
 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.

#### Cancellation and Travel Insurance

Schools are strongly urged to take out adequate cancellation, travel and medical insurance. THIMUN Qatar is not responsible for costs incurred by individual schools or individual participants in any of these areas.

# CONDUCT

## GENERAL BEHAVIOUR

Although THIMUN Qatar is an educational exercise intended for young people, delegates are simulating the Councils, Commissions and committees of the United Nations. Thus, for the period of the conference, they must be regarded as diplomats and ambassadors for the country they are representing, as well as representatives of their individual schools. This demands a high standard of personal conduct and behavior from all delegates, both during the conference sessions and outside the Convention Center.

It is extremely important for both personal safety and continuing good relations between THIMUN Qatar, the Convention Center, and the Qatar Foundation that delegates behave appropriately at all times. Therefore, schools are expected to select their students carefully and not bring to MSMUN-Q any student who is likely to create a disciplinary problem. School administrators and MUN-Directors should be aware that attendance at the annual session of MSMUN-Q is by invitation and that this invitation may be withheld from schools unable to ensure that their students conform to accepted standards of adult behaviour.

## MUN-DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES AND CONDUCT

All students must be accompanied by, and are the responsibility of, the designated MUN-Director(s). A MUN-Director must be a teacher at the school, or at one of the schools from which the delegation comes. It is recommended that at least two responsible adults (MUN-Directors or chaperones) should accompany each group.

All students staying in hotels must be supervised by their MUN-Director. MUN-Directors are required to stay in the same hotel as their students and must ensure that their room is located as close as possible to the rooms in which their students are staying. At least one MUN-Director from each participating school

is expected to be present in the Qatar National Convention Center at all times. MUN-Directors are also required to adhere to the dress code.

## CONDUCT IN THE CONVENTION CENTER

**Formal Dress:** THIMUN expects personal appearance to be appropriate for a professional setting. This means business attire. In order not to cause offence to other delegates, national dress, military uniforms and armbands are forbidden with the exception of abayas.

Males are to wear a suit and tie – females should dress equally formally in suits or dresses. The length of the dresses are to be below the knee. Tops of arms need to be covered. Leggings are not culturally appropriate.

## INAPPROPRIATELY DRESSED DELEGATES WILL BE SENT HOME TO CHANGE

MUN-Directors are responsible for ensuring their delegates are appropriately dressed and will need to verify they understand the dress code expectations.

Delegates and teachers must be courteous at all times to the Convention Center Staff and to the THIMUN Qatar Organizational and Administrative Staff, most of whom are volunteers giving up many hours of their own time to serve the delegates.

## Smoking is prohibited in the Conference Centre

## ACADEMIC SUPPORT

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MSMUN-Q is pleased to provide delegate preparation and peer mentoring for interested schools through the MSMUN-Q Edmodo portal. Delegates can become part of this online community where MSMUN-Q student officers will walk students through the preparation cycle, providing quality and timely feedback on research, policy statements, opening speeches and resolutions. Interested delegates will also be able to debate and practice online through the jrOMUN program. With high school mentors providing asynchronous feedback to delegates, this is sure to reduce the load on busy MUN Directors.

Teachers will be required to register for the EDMODO site and take responsibility for ensuring their students are logging in and taking advantage of online preparation. Participation on the Edmodo site is not a requirement for MSMUN-Q participation, but we hope that students will join their fellow delegates and participate in preparing for the conference online.

Students may also elect to participate in online debates to additionally prepare them for the MSMUN-Q conference. More information on the jrOMUN program and how your students can be involved will be provided at the time of registration.

## [HOW TO PREPARE FOR BEING A DELEGATE IN 5 STEPS \(CLICK HERE\)](#)



Jasper C. to ■ jrO-MUN

Here is India's position statement:

Water is a major issue which concerns many countries of the world, especially those whom lack food security and financial budget for health. However meager the amount of polluted water, they all pose as a hazard to people. On the other hand, many other countries are facing dilemmas on starvation. These issues are quite significant and should be confronted as soon as possible so the lives of people can be improved.

India has been quite forward in terms of facing the problem, and especially since the Indian school...

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Jr. O-MUN Assistant Omar E. said Yesterday:

Jasper! This is awesome! You state India's main problems relating to the topic. You give an example WHY food security is India's main problem. Absolutely wonderful! One small thing though. You don't mention IF increasing the food production doesn't work with the growing population, what'll you do :)

Type a reply...

## THIMUN QATAR

### THIMUN QATAR STAFF

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## THE THIMUN FOUNDATION

The THIMUN Foundation In 1968, Mr. Paul Sand from the American International School organized the first Model United Nations in The Hague. Today, The Hague Model United Nations (THIMUN) is a non-profit educational foundation and a non-governmental organization in roster consultative status with ECOSOC.

THIMUN is directed by a Board of Directors, with teachers from the Dutsche Internationale Schule Den Haag, the British School in the Netherlands, the Lycee francais Vincent Van Gogh, the International School in the Hague, the Huygenslyceum, the American School in The Hague and the Da Vinci College Leiden. THIMUN has a permanently staffed office in The Hague.

### The Objectives

The Objectives The object is to see, through discussion, negotiation and debate, solutions to the various problems of the world: questions of human rights, protection of the environment, economic development, disarmament, the problems of youth and of refugees, as well as the critical issues of war and peace.

The young delegates, in seeking solutions to these problems, can learn to break away from narrow, national self-interest and develop true international cooperation. The research and preparation required, the adoption of views and attitudes other than their own, the involvement and interaction with so many other young people from around the world, all combine to give the young people a deep insight to the world's problems, to make them aware of the causes of conflict between nations and to lead them to a better understanding of the interests and motivation of others.

## QATAR FOUNDATION

### Vision:

Qatar Foundation, located in Doha, Qatar, is an independent, private, non-profit, chartered organization founded in 1995 by decree of His Highness Sheikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al-Thani, Emir of the State of Qatar, to support centers of excellence which develop people's abilities through investments in human capital, innovative technology, state of the art facilities and partnerships with elite organizations, thus raising the competency of people and the quality of life.

### Mission:

Qatar Foundation's mission is to prepare the people of Qatar and the region to meet the challenges of an ever-changing world, and to make Qatar a leader in innovative education and research. To achieve that mission, Qatar Foundation supports a network of centers and partnerships with elite institutions, all committed to the principle that a nation's greatest natural resource is its people. Education City, Qatar Foundation's flagship project is envisioned as a Center of Excellence in education and research that will help transform Qatar into a knowledge-based society.

### Pre-University Education (PUE)

Pre-University Education (PUE) is a division of the Qatar Foundation, supporting Qatar Foundation's mission of unlocking human potential by offering the best academic curricula in order to contribute to the dissemination of the culture of excellence and innovation. PUE schools also aim to upgrade the talents of students and prepare them for the university stage to study the disciplines that best suit Qatar's needs, supplying the local job market with efficient and qualified young people for the sake of supporting the State's efforts in moving Qatar to knowledge-based economy and achieving Qatar National Vision 2030.

PUE schools include Qatar Academy Doha, Qatar Academy Sidra, Qatar Academy Al Wakra, Qatar Academy Al Khor, Awsaj Academy, Academic Bridge Program, and the Qatar Leadership Academy.

