



# THESSISMUN

THESSALONIKI INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
MODEL UNITED NATIONS

**General considerations** 

**Concerning all Committees** 



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#### 1. Scope.

The following rules apply to the ThessIS Model United Nations Conference. Please note that in all Committees, the Chairpersons are responsible for determining rules that are in order to facilitate debate and discussion. In case of conflict of interpretation, the Committee Chair has the final authority for determining the applicability of the Rules of Procedure.

#### 2. Language.

English is the official language of ThessISMUN. For the purposes of the Committee on Racial Discrimination solely, the French language will be utilized. A Delegate wishing to speak in an official language where simultaneous interpretation is not provided will be required to provide his or her own translation. Please note that time spent in translation will be counted towards total time allotted for a given speech.

# 3. Credentials.

The ThessISMUNSecretariat has accepted the credentials of delegates or observers prior to the opening of the Conference. Actions relating to the alteration of rights or credentials of any staff member, delegate or chairperson may exclusively be initiated by the Secretary General. Representatives must wear approved credentials all times during the Conference.

#### 4. Dress Code.

In accordance with the delegate's diplomatic status a formal, western style, dress code is required. For male delegates a suite and tie is obligatory and for female no revealing outfits are allowed. Informal clothing, such as jeans and trainers, also traditional or religious outfits are out of order. The Secretariat reserves the right to expel a delegate due to his or her dress code.

## 5. Diplomatic Courtesy.

During Committee session, delegates are expected to exercise diplomatic courtesy when addressing members of the Committee and the Chairpersons. The Chairpersons have the authority to address diplomatic warnings to delegates who obviously violate the diplomatic courtesy. In case that the delegate's conduct seriously hampers the process within the Committee, the Chair reserves the right to request his expulsion from the conference room. Also, all delegates have to keep the diplomatic courtesy especially when they address to the members of the staff.



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### 6. Competence of the Chairpersons

The competence of the Chairpersons may not be questioned by delegates. The Decisions of the Chairpersons are final and not subject to appeal unless otherwise stated in these rules. In case a procedural issue arises, not covered by these rules, the Chairpersons will make a decision that is considered as complying with the spirit of standing rules. In this event, the Chairpersons will automatically announce their ruling to the Council or Committee. When there is a disagreement between the Chairpersons regarding to procedural matters, the Chair's decision overrules that of the Co-chair's.

7. <u>During a Committee session, no one can interrupt the procedure, weather that be a Committee advisor or a visitor. Only the members of the Secretariat can watch the Committee's / Council's procedures and make comments. The Secretary General, or his Deputies acting on his behalf, reserve the right to make changes to the Agenda of the Conference.</u>