



Call for Applications for the Global Model UN Conference

Deadline for Applications – 15 March 2010*

The United Nations Department of Public Information (UNDPI) is organizing the second annual Global Model UN conference in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from 9 – 13 August 2010 (including two days of pre-conference activities – **date and time to be confirmed**), for university-level students. The conference theme will be “Towards an Alliance of Civilizations – Bridging Cultures to achieve Peace and Development.”

UNDPI is now inviting Model UN programmes around the world to nominate and send us their choice of delegates to be sent to the GMUN 2010 conference. Model UN programmes are requested to fill out the attached forms and submit them to education-outreach@un.org. Every nominated delegate will have to complete an electronic application process to register for the conference. Please note that UNDP reserves the right to limit or increase application numbers per Model UN programme to ensure gender balance and socio-economic as well as regional representation.

The criteria for acceptance of delegates are as follows:

- Age requirements

All applicants must be at least 18 but not older than 24 years of age by 11 August 2010 and must be enrolled in a university during the 2009-2010 academic year.

- Model UN experience

Applicants must have at least one year of Model UN experience (full participation in a Model UN conference as a delegate or member of the secretariat).

* For Model UN conferences taking place after 15 March 2010 different rules apply – see ‘Guide on Selection of Delegates’.

- Completion of application and other forms
 - Proof of enrolment Download form (needs a stamp and signature from your university)
 - Scanned copy of your passport ID page (clearly showing your photograph)
 - Two letters of reference from your professor / teacher on the letterhead of their respective university
 - A writing sample in English or French, with footnoted citations, of no more than 5 pages. For all writing samples, please indicate at the beginning of the sample for what purpose and the date (month/year) it was written.

- Language requirements

Applicants should be fluent in English and/or French. Knowledge of another UN official language (Arabic, Chinese, Spanish and Russian) would be welcomed. UNDPI is looking into the possibility of providing interpretation services in other official UN languages based on need and numbers of delegates from different regions.

All the above must be submitted together by 15 March 2010. The electronic application form with detailed instructions will be posted on the new Global Model UN website soonest. For further questions, please go to the FAQ section of the GMUN website or email education-outreach@un.org for assistance.

Please be advised that students accepted as delegates will be responsible for their travel to and from Kuala Lumpur and for the cost of their accommodation, transportation and meals. Details on accommodation and other related costs in Kuala Lumpur, travel and visa applications will be posted on the Global Model UN website soon – www.un.org/gmun.

The UNDPI will try to identify sponsors for students from developing countries who cannot afford to cover their expenses. However, they must show proof of their attempts to raise funds to cover their participation.
