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<td>Appeal the Decision of the</td>
<td>Challenge a decision of the Chair</td>
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<td>Majority</td>
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<td>Adjournment of the Meeting</td>
<td>End meeting</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>Used only on final day; ends committee for the year</td>
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<td>2 pro / 2 con</td>
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<td>None</td>
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<td>Reconsideration</td>
<td>Re-open debate on an issue</td>
<td>2 con</td>
<td>2/3rds</td>
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<td>Set Speakers Time</td>
<td>Set the time allowed for formal speeches</td>
<td>2 pro / 2 con</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>It is very rarely used at the UN and may be ruled out of order by the Chair</td>
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<td>Close the Speakers List</td>
<td>No additional speakers added to speakers’ list</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>Majority</td>
<td>No new speakers can be added to list; once list is exhausted go directly</td>
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<td>Adoption of the Agenda</td>
<td>Approval of agenda order</td>
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<td>Determines the order by which the topics will be discussed; the approved</td>
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You gather for this Model United Nations at a time of profound turmoil, transition and transformation. Insecurity, inequality and intolerance are spreading. Governments are wasting vast and precious funds on deadly weapons while reducing investments in people. Too many people in power seem wilfully blind to the threat of climate change. Citizens yearn for jobs and the prospect of a decent life, but all too often they get divisiveness and delay instead.

There have been significant steps forward. Extreme poverty has been cut in half since the year 2000. Democratic transitions are under way in the Arab world, Myanmar and elsewhere. Africa’s economic growth has become the fastest in the world. Latin America and Asia continue to make important advances. Still, we must raise our levels of ambition. I have set out an action agenda that focuses on five imperatives: sustainable development; preventing conflicts, damage from disasters and human rights abuses; building a more secure world; supporting countries in transition; and empowering the world’s women and young people.

You are part of the largest generation of young people our world has ever known. Yet opportunities for youth are falling short. Youth unemployment rates are at record levels. Many are stuck in low-wage, dead-end work, despite having college degrees. We must work together to help young people make the most of their energies, ideas and leadership potential.

By participating in this Model United Nations, you will sharpen your negotiating skills and gain insights into what it takes to achieve consensus and progress. Armed with these assets, you can mobilize and engage on the major issues of our day. From raising awareness through social media to joining forces in other ways with students from around the world, you can make your voices heard and drive political and social change.

This is an era of great uncertainty, but also one of profound opportunity. No single leader, country or institution can do everything. But each of us, in our own way, can do something. Together, as partners, we can meet today’s tests and seize the opportunities of an era of dramatic change. I wish you great success at this Model UN, and I hope the experience will inspire you to support our global work for peace, justice, human rights and sustainable development for years to come.

Ban Ki-moon
Dear NMUN Latin America Attendees,

Welcome to the 2013 National Model United Nations Latin America Conference and to Ecuador. The National Collegiate Conference Association and Universidad San Francisco de Quito have chosen the Galapagos Islands as the location for this NMUN Conference because of its unique characteristics. In the coming week you will simulate four different functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, as well as the Security Council of the UN, in the heart of the Galapagos. You will also have the opportunity to “Connect with Galapagos” through different community service activities. These activities are designed to allow you to get to know the local community while putting into practice the ideas you discuss during committee sessions. In addition, you will “Discover Galapagos” through a wide range of activities.

Since 1978, the Galapagos Islands have been considered by the United Nations Educational, Cultural and Scientific Organization (UNESCO) as a World Natural Heritage Site. Nevertheless, rising urbanization, uncontrolled tourism and other human activities have put in danger endemic and native species of the Galapagos wildlife, threatening delicate habitats. In light of this preoccupying reality, the staff has chosen environmental sustainability and sustainable development as the central topics for the conference.

Beyond discussing issues related to environmental sustainability and sustainable development, you will be the first international delegates to have ever simulated different commissions of the United Nations in Galapagos. At this particular NMUN conference your role as delegates will not be limited to the grounds of diplomacy. You will also cause an immediate and hopefully long-lasting impact in the community of Galapagos. This is a place currently in need of the implementation of policies leading to development while assuring the preservation of the unique Galapagos ecosystems.

On World Environmental Day, 5 June 2012, Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon urged “governments, businesses and all members of society to make the holistic choices that will ensure a sustainable future – the future we want.” By joining us in the first international Model United Nations conference to be held in the Galapagos Islands, you are pioneering action to create a sustainable future for the Islands.

I hope you will treasure this unique opportunity to simulate the United Nations in the Galapagos Islands.

¡Bienvenidos! Welcome!

Nicole Galindo
Secretary-General
NMUN Latin America

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Schedule

NMUN•LATIN AMERICA

FRIDAY, 11 JANUARY

All Day
Arrival to Quito (most flights arrive late evening)

SATURDAY, 12 JANUARY

Group One (schools starting with letters AM)
7:00 am - 8:30 am
Breakfast*
Albar Hotel Lobby

7:30 am - 8:30 am
Conference Registration
Albar, 2nd Floor

8:45 am
Departure to 9:00 Quito Tour Bus
Albar Hotel Lobby

9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Quito Tour • Mariscal, El Ejido, Basílica, Campaña Church, Panecillo, Panza Grande

Group Two (schools starting with letters AN)
7:00 am - 9:30 am
Breakfast*
Albar Hotel Lobby

7:30 am - 9:30 am
Conference Registration
Albar, 2nd Floor

9:45 am
Departure to 10:00 Quito Tour Bus
Albar Hotel Lobby

10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Quito Tour • Mariscal, El Ejido, Basílica, Campaña Church, Panecillo, Panza Grande

Everyone
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Lunch *
Albar Hotel Lobby

3:30 pm
Coach Bus to USFQ
USFQ Campus Cumbaya

4:00 pm
Campus Tour
Newton Building, 2nd Floor, USFQ

4:30 pm - 6:00 pm
Rules of Procedure Session for Each Committee
USFQ Campus Cumbaya

6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Welcome Ceremony
Teatro Calderón de la Barca, USFQ

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Chancellor’s Reception
Via Bonita, USFQ

9:00 pm
Coach Bus to Albar Hotel

9:45 am
Pack Hotel Bill (early morning checkout)

10:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Luggage Drop Off 4:00 AM Security Inspection
Albar Hotel Lobby
(Keep your clothes for next day with you, you can add materials back into your luggage in the morning)

SUNDAY, 13 JANUARY

5:00 am - 5:30 am
Check Out/Breakfast Box (available by previous arrangement at check in)*
Albar Hotel Lobby

5:30 am
Coach Bus to Mariscal Sucre Airport

7:45 am - 10:15 am
Flight Quito to San Cristóbal

11:00 am - 12:00 pm
Lunch
Chatham Hotel/Arena Blanca Hotel

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Meeting with GAIA/GSIC
Galápagos Institute for the Arts and Sciences

4:30 pm - 5:30 pm
Opening Ceremony
Centro de Interrelaciones San Cristóbal

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm
ECOSOC Plenary Opening Delegation Speeches
Centro de Interrelaciones San Cristóbal

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Session Setting the Agenda
GAIA/GSIC

8:00 pm - 9:30 pm
Head Delegations Meeting
GAIA/GSIC (Room 5)

MONDAY, 14 JANUARY

7:00 am - 9:00 am
Breakfast
Chatham Hotel/Arena Blanca Hotel

9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Session (Coffee break at 10:30 am)
GAIA/GSIC

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Committee Lunch
Local Restaurants, Guided by Director/AD

2:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Session (Coffee break at 4:30 pm)
GAIA/GSIC

7:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Head Delegations Meeting
GAIA/GSIC (Room 5)

TUESDAY, 15 JANUARY

7:00 am - 9:00 am
Breakfast
Chatham Hotel/Arena Blanca Hotel

9:00 am - 1:00 pm
Session (Coffee break at 10:30 am)
GAIA/GSIC

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Committee Lunch
Local Restaurants, Guided by Director/AD

2:30 pm - 7:00 pm
Session (Coffee break at 4:30 pm)
GAIA/GSIC

7:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Head Delegations Meeting
GAIA/GSIC (Room 5)

* Asterisks indicate meals at delegate expense. Tour package includes breakfasts and lunches in Galápagos. (not in Quito). No dinners are included.

Schedule & Locations

NMUN•LATIN AMERICA

WEDNESDAY, 16 JANUARY

7:00 am - 9:00 am
Breakfast
Chatham Hotel/Arena Blanca Hotel

9:00 am - 10:00 am
Session (Coffee break at 10:30 am)
GAIA/GSIC

1:00 pm - 2:30 pm
Committee Lunch
Local Restaurants, Guided by Director/AD

2:30 pm - 4:30 pm
ECOSOC Plenary Session and Voting
Centro de Convenciones Charles Darwin
GSIC

4:30 pm - 6:30 pm
Clasning Ceremony
Centro de Convenciones Charles Darwin

7:00 pm
Black Party
San Cristóbal Pier

THURSDAY, 17 JANUARY

7:00 am - 9:00 am
Breakfast
Chatham Hotel/Arena Blanca Hotel

9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Connect with Galápagos: Community Service
Sign up sheet available by Wed evening at GAIA Main Hall

Group 1:
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Laguna El Junco
Laguna El Junco

Group 2:
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm
Exploring Nature (with) Naturista.
Laguna El Junco

Group 3:
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Turtle Maintenance, build nesting station
Laguna El Junco

Group 4:
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Turtle Census
Galápagos

Group 5:
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
Beach Cleanup
Playa Marinas, de Cña, Marría or Punta Casella

FRIDAY, 18 JANUARY

7:00 am - 9:00 am
Breakfast
Chatham Hotel/Arena Blanca Hotel

9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Discover Galápagos
Sign up sheet available by Wed evening at GAIA Main Hall

Group A:
am
Puerto Chino (beach) / Galápagos (turtle)
Bus from hotels

pm
Casa Loma / (turtle)
Bus from hotels

Group B:
am
Galápagos (turtle) / Puerto Chino (beach)
Bus from hotels

pm
Casa Loma / (turtle)
Bus from hotels

Group C:
am
Kicker Rock (snorkeling) / Isla Lobos (snorkeling)
Meet in front of Hotel Casa Blanca

pm
Isla Lobos (snorkeling) / Kicker Rock (snorkeling)
Meet in front of Hotel Casa Blanca

SATURDAY, 19 JANUARY

7:00 am - 9:00 am
Breakfast
Chatham Hotel/Arena Blanca Hotel

9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Discover Galápagos
Same groups as Friday

Group A:
am
Kicker Rock (snorkeling) / Isla Lobos (snorkeling)
Meet in front of Hotel Casa Blanca

pm
Casa Loma / (turtle)
Bus from hotels

Group B:
am
Galápagos (turtle) / Puerto Chino (beach)
Bus from hotels

pm
Casa Loma / (turtle)
Bus from hotels

Group C:
am
Puerto Chino (beach) / Galápagos (turtle)
Bus from hotels

pm
Casa Loma / (turtle)
Bus from hotels

SUNDAY, 20 JANUARY

7:00 am - 8:00 am
Breakfast
Chatham Hotel/Arena Blanca Hotel

9:00 am
Depart for Airport

11:00 am - 3:35 pm
Flight San Cristóbal - Quito

COMMITTEE LOCATIONS

Commission on Population and Development ......................................................... Room 1
Commission on the Status of Women ................................................................. Room 2
Commission on Sustainable Development ......................................................... Room 3
Commission on Science and Technology for Development ......................... Room 4
Conference Services/Staff Room ........................................................................... Galápagos Science Center (GSC)
Security Council ................................................................................................. Room 5

NMUN•LATIN AMERICA
**Simbología**

- **Legend**: Urban Zone, Protected Zone, Pedestrian Way, Tourist Site, Mangrove, Beach Zone, Mole, Malavita, Arrecifes de Coral, La Soledad, El Junco, Límite zona urbana y rural, Zona de interés, Cenotes/Fallas, Caminos en concreto.

### Uso de suelo

#### Zona Urbana

- **Urban Zone**

#### Zona Protegida-PNG

- **Protected Zone**

#### Camino

- **Pedestrian Way**

#### Sitios Turísticos

- **Tourist Site**

#### Manglares

- **Mangrove**

#### Zona de Playa

- **Beach Zone**

#### Mole

- **Mole**

#### Malavita

- **Malavita**

#### Arrecifes de Coral

- **Coral Reefs**

#### La Soledad

- **La Soledad**

#### El Junco

- **El Junco**

#### Límite zona urbana y rural

- **Urban & Rural Limit Zone**

### Sitios de interés

- **Centro de Interpretación**

### Caminos en concreto

- **Caminos en concreto**

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### Actividades

- **Swimming**

- **Surf**

- **Kayaking**

- **Mountain Bike**

- **Environmental View Point**

- **Trekking**

- **Snorkeling**

- **Scuba Diving**

- **Helicopter**

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### Contenido de interés

- **Urban & Rural Limit Zone**

- **Protected Zone**

- **Tourist Site**

- **Mangrove**

- **Beach Zone**

- **Mole**

- **Malavita**

- **Coral Reefs**

- **La Soledad**

- **El Junco**

### Zona Protegida-PNG

- **Protected Zone**

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### Urban Zone

- **Downtown**

- **Zona Urbana**

- **Centro Poblado**

### Zona Protegida-PNG

- **Protected Zone**

### Sitios Turísticos

- **Tourist Site**

### Zona de interés

- **Centro de Interpretación**

### Caminos en concreto

- **Caminos en concreto**

### Sitios de interés

- **Centro de Interpretación**

### Zona Protegida-PNG

- **Protected Zone**

### Asistencia de viajes

1. **Palacio de Galápagos**
2. **Scuba Diving Center**
3. **Galápagos Daily Tours S.A.**
4. **Galápagos Touring Company S.A.**
5. **Assistance Center**
6. **Air Taxi**
7. **Cruise**
8. **Ferry**
9. **Surfing**
10. **Mountain Bike**
11. **Environmental View Point**
12. **Trekking**
13. **Snorkeling**
14. **Scuba Diving**
15. **Helicopter**

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**Aeropuerto**

- **Airport**

- **Port Authority**

- **Police**

- **Parks and Natural Reserves**

- **Swimming**

- **Surf**

- **Kayaking**

- **Mountain Bike**

- **Environmental View Point**

- **Trekking**

- **Snorkeling**

- **Scuba Diving**

- **Helicopter**

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**Hotel Arena Blanca**

Av. Quito y Tulcan [593 5] 250182

**Hotel Chatham**

Av. Arzobispo N. Alcaldía Norte [593 5] 2502923

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**Opening Ceremony**

Centro de Interpretación

**Closing Ceremony**

Centro de Convenciones
Delegations

COUNTRY | SCHOOL
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Argentina | McMurry University
Azerbaijan | Hunter College
Belgium | Marian University
Brazil | University of Oklahoma
China | Wichita State University
Colombia | Long Island University-Brooklyn Campus
Côte d’Ivoire | Université degli Studi di Napoli Federico II
France | Corporación de Simulaciones Académicas
Germany | The University of Texas at Tyler
Ghana | Salem College
Guatemala | Bellevue College
India | Tallahassee Community College
Japan | Grant MacEwan University
Morocco | Texas Christian University (SC) and Universidad San Francisco de Quito

COUNTRY | SCHOOL
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Pakistan | Valdosta State University
Poland | Bundeswehr University München
Portugal | West Virginia University
Russian Federation | Texas Christian University
South Africa | Universidad San Francisco de Quito
Togo | Clayton State University and Georgia State University
Ukraine | University of Victoria
United Kingdom | University of Ottawa
United States | Manhattan College
Uruguay | University of Bridgeport
NGO | SCHOOL
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Greenpeace | Freie Universität Berlin
Worldwatch | Marian University

“In the long history of humankind (and animal kind, too) those who learned to collaborate and improvise most effectively have prevailed.”

– Charles Darwin

Please take a moment to complete our online conference evaluation. The form will be available Saturday, 19 January. These evaluations are valuable to us as we implement improvements to serve you better. Visit: http://j.mp/NMUNLA-13
Codes of Conduct

DELEGATES

While participating in the National Model UN conference, delegates have a responsibility to always maintain the highest level of professionalism and diplomacy. Conference staff, advisors and fellow delegates should be treated with the highest level of courtesy and respect. Professionalism in speech, actions, and appearance by delegates is a requirement of this conference, and necessary to its educational mission. It is assumed that all delegates will respect the property of the university and the host hotels.

NMUN reserves the right to restrict future registration for any participant or school, whose delegates or advisors are not able to uphold their responsibility to the conference’s code of conduct.

Delegates are expected to:
- Remain in “character” by consistently advocating the interests and representing the policies of the country assigned. To act in “character” also entails displaying respect for the opinions and ideas of fellow delegates, even if these opinions and ideas conflict with a given delegate’s own country priorities.
- Collaborate with fellow delegates when possible.
- Be courteous and professional at all times.

Delegates who disrupt committee sessions or create problems may be barred from further participation in the conference:
- Please drink responsibly. Excessive alcohol consumption should be avoided.
- The consumption of alcoholic and other drugs in committee sessions is forbidden.
- Any issues related to illicit drugs will be immediately directed to the attention of local authorities.

Delegates are encouraged to enjoy the variety of nighttime activities available. Please bear in mind, however, the purpose of being here is participation in NMUN.

ADVISORS

The role of advisors, while at the conference, is to make all efforts to see that their students maintain a positive and professional approach to the conference. The educational quality of the conference is primarily dependent on all delegates’ active and professional participation. Advisors can ensure this by monitoring their students’ attendance at committee meetings and helping them understand the skills of diplomacy as practiced at National Model UN. Advisors must maintain the highest level of professionalism toward all conference participants and staff.

During the conference, advisors are encouraged to advise students on specific questions such as a state’s policy or issues of international law, but must not participate in the actual writing of resolutions or caucusing activities. NMUN allows students an opportunity to demonstrate their preparation and research skills. While advisors are encouraged to observe their students from the back of committee rooms, participation in the committee process must be left to the student delegates and the conference staff.

Advisors are expected to:
- Provide leadership to their delegates and to other delegations by serving as information resources when appropriate.
- Respond to questions and concerns without interfering with the work of the committees or the deliberations of delegates, whether in formal session or in caucus.
- Refrain from using academic credit and grading policies that force participation beyond that country’s normal position in the UN.
- Remind their delegates of the educational purpose of the simulation. Awards should not be a delegate’s main emphasis.
- Attend and participate in advisor meetings.
- Offer suggestions and assistance to new advisors.

DELEGATION AWARDS

National Model United Nations has established criteria for evaluating delegate performance. Each element is equally important to the overall awards determination process. All committees are weighted equally, and delegations are rated on a mathematical formula in relation to the total number of committees represented by the individual Member State.

Areas of evaluation are:
- Remaining in character – defined as advocating your assigned country’s position in a manner consistent with economic, social and geopolitical constraints.
- Participating in committee – evaluated both during formal sessions and caucusing.
- Proper use of the rules of procedure – NMUN uses the rules of procedure to facilitate effective workings of committee and debate.

See nmun.org for information on the procedure for addressing code of conduct violations.
UNIVERSIDAD SAN FRANCISCO DE QUITO

Ecuador is a well-kept secret: a small country of remarkable human and environmental contrast. San Francisco de Quito (the official name of its capital city), one of the prettiest cities in South America, is an incredible repository of colonial art and architecture. Ecuador’s territory includes the Galápagos Islands, the broad coastal plain along the Pacific, the Andean highlands (or Sierra), and the upper Amazon basin (or Oriente).

The Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ), named in honor of the capital, is a jewel in higher education in Latin America. Founded in 1989 by U.S.-trained Ecuadorian physicist Santiago Gangotena, USFQ is one of the leading universities of the region because of its commitment to excellence in teaching, research, and service learning. It has 300 full-time faculty members (of whom 101 have a Ph.D. degree), 375 part-time professors, and about 5,000 students.

The university is based on the philosophy of the liberal arts and modeled after American universities. USFQ’s main campus is located in Cumbaya, just outside Quito. Other campuses are located on San Cristóbal Island in the Galápagos and Riobamba in the central highlands. The Fundación Biodiversity Station (for biological research) is situated deep in the Amazon rainforest, not far from the Peruvian border.

USFQ has the largest international exchange program in the region. It welcomes about 1,000 students from more than 150 American, European, Australian, and Asian universities. Its beautiful suburban campus provides a wide range of services based on principles of entrepreneurship, including Wi-Fi, seven theme restaurants run by the faculty of Culinary Arts, dental and medical clinics operated for the university community and the public, the College of Health Sciences, and the Hospital de Los Valles, the most modern hospital in Ecuador.