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# HELLO AGAIN

## Fanfares, please!

The Ceremony has just opened and juicy fruit has already begun. We are aware that this morning can be pretty hard, especially for those who attended yesterday's party. However, don't worry, MUN is worth all these sleepless nights. You impressed us on the Opening Ceremony, so we really can't wait for keeping an eye on you today and hear about the progress in your resolutions. But now, we would like to share some impressions with you from yesterday meetings so I yield the floor back to my distinguished Reporters. And remember – there is always some fly on the wall.

Head of Press,  
Anna Gulbinowicz

## The MU(N)skeeters

There are people without whom the MUN wouldn't exist. Ms Ostapkowicz and Ms Brzezińska have taken care of the conference for a couple of years and that's why we decided to ask them about their experiences and this year MUN forecasts.

### **How did your adventure with MUN start?**

Ms Edyta Ostapkowicz: In 2009 I was on WawMUN with my students. During our road back to Szczecin they started wondering if it would be possible to organize something similar in our city, in our school. A year later they achieved their goal.

Ms Karolina Brzezińska: To be honest, I don't really remember!

It was very smooth and natural – as MUN was growing and becoming a really huge event and Ms Ostapkowicz needed some help, one day I just became one of the MUN Directors, it was 2012 – the third edition of our conference.

What was the first MUN that you organized like?  
Ms Edyta Ostapkowicz: Comparing to this year's MUN, the first one wasn't so big. This year there will be 160 delegates and 7 committees, however, in 2010 there were 60 delegates and 4 committees so the difference is quite remarkable, isn't it?

### **What are you most anxious about this year MUN?**

Ms Edyta Ostapkowicz: I'm on the go all the time and I'm still afraid that I have forgotten about something important. For example, two years ago I had a very stressful situation. During the Opening Ceremony, which was perfectly organized, suddenly the light went off and I started to panic. That was horrible. Fortunately, the problem was solved quite quickly and we could continue the programme.

Ms Karolina Brzezińska: Hmm, I'm pretty sure that this year everything is under control and we will be having a great time.

Nevertheless, one of our Three Musketeers (Ms Janikowska-Gabryel) doesn't participate in this year MUN and her absence is really visible for us two – much more work... Nevertheless Ms Martyna Klinowska agreed to help us with the stuff connected with sponsoring and, in general, the economical aspects of our conference.

### **What are you most hopeful about this year's MUN?**

Ms Edyta Ostapkowicz: I hope everybody will simply have a good time. This year's delegates are from Poland, Germany and Russia. I believe there will be good cooperation, promising resolutions and fantastic ideas or discussions. The main goal of MUN is to broaden the mind.

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Szymon Curyło and Kamil Mysłowski



Photo: Anita Leśniak

## Meet one behind it!

Being the Secretary General is a very important and demanding position at every MUN conference - only ambitious and organized people can meet this challenge- therefore Paula Rahn is the right person in the right place. She's telling us about her work, feelings and memories connected with StetiMUN.

## **How did you get to know that you were chosen for the post of Secretary General?**

Last year I volunteered to be Conference Manager and I really enjoyed it, as I consider organising in general really demanding, but absolutely rewarding, as StetiMUN 2015 ended I was given the opportunity to become Secretary General of StetiMUN 2016, so I might suppose I did my job well during last year's edition (laugh)

## **So, what is your job as a Secretary General?**

During these three days I will stay focused on supervising, making sure everything goes as planned, but also if all delegates are having a great time during conference. Actually my job as SG started a year ago and so it still lasts. Although it was sometimes hard to get everything together and remember all the things I was told, I would not exchange it for anything. I also have to thank all the people I worked with, because being Secretary General is mainly about cooperating with others.

## **When did your story with StetiMUN start?**

My MUN adventure started two years ago as I became a delegate of United Kingdom in Millennium Development Goals Committee and then, as I mentioned above, last year I was a Conference Manager. I felt at that time, that my place at StetiMUN is rather, let's call it, backstage.

## **How long does it take to organize such a big event as StetiMUN?**

Organising StetiMUN is a one-year job. MUN 2015 ended and we were already working on MUN 2016.

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## **Any advice or message for the delegates?**

I just want to say, that decision to attend StetiMUN was one of the best I have made. Two years ago, as I heard about StetiMUN, I was really curious about it. However, I did have some doubts about participating. I even cancelled my application at first, but after re-consideration I decided to give it a try and since then I have been feeling quite committed to this event. What can I advise? Just be yourself, do the best you can during the conference and also do not get discouraged because of some obstacles you can face, because they are just obstacles to overcome. Remember to be open to other people and take part in social side of StetiMUN too, because who knows, maybe the friends you will make will turn out to be your best ones.

Thank you very much and good luck!

Maria Zawadzka  
Aleksandra Stankiewicz



Photo: Anita Leśniak

## „Get Together”-Ice Broken

On Wednesday, November 2nd, the evening just before the Opening Ceremony of StetiMUN 2016, the „Get Together” event took place in our school. The Organizers, the Chairs, and, of course, the Delegates gathered together in the classroom number 79 in order to get to know each other over tea, coffee and some snacks. This year's Secretary General, Paula Rahn, gave an introduction to the President of the General Assembly – Bartosz Roman, the Chairs of all the committees and the Organization Crew. First hand shakings, first live talks, recognizing these well-known from e-mails or Facebook, some ice-breaking games – it all contributed to great atmosphere which we hope is a good forecaster for the upcoming days. The most common subjects of conversations were, obviously, politics and policy statements, but believe us – those were not the only topics they raised that evening. After such a great start, StetiMun 2016 is doomed to success: fruitful debates, spectacular speeches, successful resolutions. We keep our fingers crossed! Good luck!

Iga Sokół and Wiktoria Kurasińska



Photo: Agata Marzec

# PRESS OBSERVATIONS

## The USA Wears Kenzo

StetiMUN2016 officially began at the solemn Opening Ceremony. Firstly, the Director of General Assembly, Bartosz Roman, and the Secretary General, Paula Rahn, welcomed all delegates and thanked the sponsors and the headmistress, Jolanta Jastrzębska, for making the StetiMUN possible. This was followed by the headmistress's speech and two presentations about refugees and diabetes. We could also watch a short video about the "Get together" event which took place the previous day. Then, delegates had an opportunity to present their short opening speeches. We have to add that the Ceremony started with concerning music as the flags of countries were presented. It must have been hacked, as it sounded like a beat boxing hit.

Surely, this year's MUN started with a bang. From doing snaps to giving each other secret messages, the Opening Ceremony turned out to be a fascinating happening. Here are some events we noticed.

As everything lasted for almost three hours, the delegates were trying hard to find something to do. Amongst those who paid attention to the speeches, there were personalities playing tetris or strategy games.



Photo: Paulina Wyróślak

Photo: Kamil Mysłowski



As the winter is coming some delegates are trying to keep up with the newest trends. If you're one of them, we hope you haven't missed your opportunity to buy the most wanted t-shirts from the H&M x Kenzo collection, neither has Wojciech Mokot, the USA delegate. As a real fashion killa, he has already bought a few during the speeches. Nevertheless, he was deeply offended by others' informal clothes like a poor Syrian's delegate, who became his victim and had to leave the Ceremony. As we talked to him (the Syrian delegate, of course) later, he revealed that the fact the justice hadn't reached everyone was unfair. We hope the delegate of the USA, Wojciech Mokot, will get some new socks because the floral pattern on his may offend someone...

There were also some delegates who haven't said goodbye to their Halloween costumes yet, or like the delegate of Mexico who presented his very nice-but-stereotypical-outstanding-outfit - a poncho and his fabulous sombrero.

Let's move to some other important issues that happened during that Ceremony. The delegate of North Korea accused the President of General Assembly of not fulfilling his duties. Several delegates have overstepped the limited amount of time-except for our fashionista, Wojciech Mokot, who completely ignored the rules. Some delegates spoke with accents - which brought the real colour to their speeches and Putin's and Holland's portraits on desks completed their images. After all of this we can't wait to see what happens next!

Maria Zawadzka  
Aleksandra Stankiewicz

# Day one of economic and social struggles!

This year, in the Economic and Social Council we are happy to have Anna Żelasko and Julia Pińkowska as heads of that committee. Generally speaking, their main job is to supervise the council. That means making sure that debates within a session run smoothly and that all delegates are involved. The Chairs said they are looking forward to trying their best to make not only the debates a pleasure, but the atmosphere of the event as a whole, and we are delighted to admit that they can be satisfied with the result.

The delegate of South Africa suggested to first raise the topic of climate change. Each delegate introduced their policy statements to the others, what initiated some more lively discussions. Especially after China's speech, many points of information were (raised), like whether China is going to provide financial aid to other countries in terms of climate change. Answering the daring questions, the Delegate admitted that China doesn't quite believe in the global warming and that country actually puts economical growth before the impacts of climate change.

After lunch break, ECOSOC's participants took advantage of the opportunity to send page notes, which caused sudden agitation in the debate room. Even though the page was trying her best, she did mistake by bringing a note from the Keynan Delegate to the wrong Russian Delegate – not the one in Security Council, but the one in ECOSOC. This caused both the sender and the addressee to go red on the face. We do suspect that the Delegates might have been using the notes for personal purposes – but we are never to know for sure.

The loudest objections were lift up towards the Delagate of the USA, because, as it is commonly known, the majority of the American government does not see the issue of global warming as something that can affect society.

Unexpectedly, resolution passed with only one objection on China's side. This led to the ending of debates over the first topic concerning the influence of climate change on the lack of food and water in the world.

We are sure that the debate was really fruitful, as this year's Economic and Social Council sitting started out with the asking of the crucial question - „Is using pineapple on pizza socially acceptable?” as a warm-up. The majority of the delegates agreed that it is one's right to have a choice about what they are putting on their pizza. Even though a discussion between the delegates of South Africa and Switzerland followed, the final resolution concluded that it, indeed, should be socially acceptable to add pineapple to this dish.

The Chairs also controlled the proper behavior of the delegates and prepared punishment for the late ones, which included dancing in the middle of the room. This lightened up the atmosphere and exposed the fun side of our Delegates.

Wiktoria Kurasińska, Iga Sokół



Photo: Paulina Wyróślak

# At the end of the rainbow...

There were just as many voices, banter and opinions during the Human Rights Council debate as there are letters in the LGBTTTQQAII acronym. And was there a treasure, a corporate resolution, awaiting at the end of the rainbow?

Ice breakers. It's main purpose is to bring people together. In our committee the goal of the game was to find similarities not based on physical appearance. It surely was achieved, as the Delegates unanimously agreed on what they have in common: high IQ level, being handsome, pretty and overall amazing. Indeed, it provided sense of understanding and connection between members.

Though the conciliation didn't last long, since just after a while the chasm between more liberal and conservatives countries appeared to be too wide to be crossed. Many threats were posed. For example, when a discourse occurred and the Delegate of Iran was accused of „not fitting in”, it was boldly stated that it didn't leave the United Nations YET. Islamic countries felt that their culture, their tradition, their religion were being disregarded. On the contrary, the Delegate of the United States of America implied that Saudi Arabia's religion is not the religion of the whole world.

The argument of LGBTQA+ rights being established and respected thus threatening one's culture appeared not only in Islam-based countries. One of the Russian Federation's statement was that introducing these rights will be a disaster, not only for Russia but also for international community, because it's violating traditional family values.

After all the Delegate of Democratic People's Republic of Korea was undeniably the brightest character of all. He stressed that North Korea is set to do ANYTHING to protect their tradition, briefly mentioning having the Supreme Leader, Kim Jong Un, on speed dial. Also, according to the Delegate, officially, every citizen there has same human rights and it's just a coincidence that there are no homosexuals in their country. Given that, he invites everyone doubting it to visit his country. Surprisingly, no one declared their will. Guess – why?

Till the end there were arguments, banter and accusations. Yet again, Russia, North Korea and Islam-based countries dissented – assertions like: “neocolonial attitude”, “vicious propaganda”, “blood of past exploited” and discussions about primacy of socialism over capitalism (“It's focusing only on quantity and not quality!”) popped out.

And till the end, there were no signs of reaching the consensus. Only visible signs were sighs and tiredness all over everyone's faces. And quoting the Delegate of Democratic People's Republic of Korea: “DROP THE MIC!”.

Angelika Rutkowska & Sonia Rembas



Photos: Angelika Rutkowska

# This is the voice of UNODC

# Surprise of the day

Our first session begins with deceleration, because of duration of General Assembly. The delegates decided about today's topic which was the problem of narco terrorism. The first problem in our council was effected by absence of discussion. Most of delegates had were not opened on any points of information, however, the delegates of Columbia, USA and Denmark were active from the beginning. After lunch break the rest of delegates recharged their batteries and start participating in the debate. Some of them, for example, the representatives of Belgium, Iraq Turkey and Argentina forgot about restrictions regarding using Polish language and had to be punished. They had to sing and do the lap dance. We have to add that it looked really attractive, especially when performed by Donat Downarowicz and Krzysztof Hałada. After having some fun, the delegates came back to drafts resolutions and were divided into two groups. The resolution created by delegates of USA and UK fortunately passed in a short time and without any unnecessary comments, which is really surprising, because for most of delegates working in the committee in the the first time on MUN conference can be an obstacle We are sure you will master your skills in today's debates.

Before the begining of the MUN we had a chance to talk with Presidents of the most stormy committee - Security Council, Wojciech Łambucki and Bartosz Roman. They told us that „Chairing” is a great pleasure, but with its great responsibility. Bartosz also mentioned that it is certainly a great honour to be a President of a committee that is one of the UN's main bodies and a President of General Assembly. Both of them admitted that their most important role is to provide the order and the process of the deliberations. It is said that Security Council is demanding and full of loquacious Delegates and due to this fact it was difficult for Chairs to keep everything smooth. On Thursday The Chairs achieved the positive atmosphere by starting debate with icebreaking game called „Never have I ever”. Each Delegate had to write three sentences about things they have never done. Only one of them was true. Game contained vodka jokes from naughty USA Delegate story about being awake at night due to North Korean nuclear missiles test from Delegate of Canada. Some participants, of course, had time to share memes with each other. Yesterday's topic was: Threats to International Peace and Security caused by global acts of terrorism. Page notes were everywhere. All participants communicated mostly with them. But when someone started to speak, the verbal war started. At the beggining the Delegate of Russia was crossfired by questions from USA and France and the partaker from Canada was asked a lot by USA and China Delegates. Most controversial sets of beliefs were presented by participants from Turkey and North Korea. First partaker came up with idea of building the wall to separate inhabitants from terrorists, whereas the delegate of North Korea told us that cooperation with ISIS was in theory possible.

The results of debate were surprising. Five countries (called P5, primal five) created a Union called „The Unated Deportation Force” and welcomed all other that wanted to join. It was mostly supported by every country on the debate. So as we can see, the devil is not as as terrible as he is painted.



Photo: Szymon Curyło

Mateusz Semeniuk



# Debate of chaos

Today's debate of World Health Organization main topic was Blood Safety. It was expected to be bitter because of the religion and cultural believes but also the differences between development in the represented countries. The Delegates came up with a few ideas, for instance, to establish organizations responsible for international blood bank, educating program encouraging to donate blood and many others. They were mostly concerned about who would pay for the projects and if it wouldn't be better to improve already existing organisations instead of creating new ones. From time to time the discussion was so intensive that the Chairs had to calm the room down.

Many delegates were very confident with presenting their statements but some of them were so stressed that their hands were shaking. On the one hand, several participants were speaking considerably fast without taking a breath, while on the other hand, some had too long speeches and were not allowed to finish them.

The Australian delegate wasn't able to start her speech because a young man from the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland was late and made a little chaos walking in and out the room several times. Moreover, he was surfing on the Internet and texting instead of paying attention during the conference.

Generally, people were wearing smart clothes, but sometimes we could see lack of outfit awareness mostly connected with wearing inadequate footwear or jeans.

After the break, there were plenty of participants late. One of them was late about 10 minutes. But the most surprising was the delegate from India who, at some point of the debate, left the room and did not come back. The delegates kept on presenting their statements. When it came to United Kingdom, the delegate said he was not prepared and the Chairs punished him, so he could not take part in the discussion.

After that there was time for the participant representing Turkey who wasn't concrete on the debate and didn't know how to end the speech with the proper sentence. The rest of the debate was also interrupted by someone who found Italian Delegate's lost ID card.

What is more, a few delegates and the "postman" were chatting in German and Polish instead of English. We were surprised that rolling eyes and careless posture presented by some participants they were not punished.

The most active partakers were from Norway, Saudi Arabia, China, Germany and France. The rest participants were less or not involved in the conference at all, so we hope that they will do their best today!

Weronika Skoneczna  
Sara Jawad



Photo: Szymon Curyło

# „All rise the court is now in session”

Before the actual deliberations could start, the ICC Chairs provided icebreakers in the form of speed-dating for the participants, however, no romance (unfortunately) occurred. After that, the time came for the court to begin their mock trial, focusing on the case of a student accused of possession and possible use of marijuana, which was supposed to get everyone in the proper real-courtroom-like spirit, as well as fix any mistakes so that they wouldn't occur during the main proceedings. The main allegation was the ownership of drugs by the accused, which were found in her backpack. Despite that there weren't any proves to accuse her of taking them. One side claimed that the girl had been stressed and tired of the music school she was going to. While, the other side insisted on the addiction, which led to her being distracted. What drew our attention during the mock trial was the fact that some participants, both from the jury and either sides of the conflict, seemed to be quite amused by their mobiles and not so much by the case. Moreover, neither the prosecutors nor the defenders have provided evidence, which made judge's work more difficult in a sense, since their verdict had to be based only upon testimony of witnesses. Another surprising aspect of the deliberations was that the first testifier couldn't remember her court name. Other than that, besides little faux pas like one of the prosecutors spilling some sort of candy all over the floor while the court was in session, the deliberations turned out rather fruitful and were for sure great warm-up before starting the actual case. The real trial, unfortunately, started with punishment for all the latecomers. They were obliged to dance Macarena; surprisingly all of them did it without any hesitation.

Shortly after dancing, the prosecution started their opening speech, following, it was defence's turn. What is worth stressing is the fact that the first one was undoubtedly longer, it lasted around 11 minutes, to contrast – the second was held on for only 3 minutes.

Today's trial ended on presenting evidences by both sides but the case will continue over the course of the next day so be prepared- we will for sure keep you updated.

Sandra Prolejko and Zuzanna Żurawska



Photo: Paulina Wyroślak



Photo: Anita Leśnik

# Refugees not as controversial as expected!

As General Assembly ended, the life of MUN's delegate went on in committees. United Nation High Commissioner For Refugees being the largest committee, gathered 32 delegates. Although all of them seemed to be prepared to deliver their speeches, they usually found it hard to concentrate on what the others were saying, as they were finishing up their own political statements or sitting on their seats looking like they were bored with all these pronouncements that expressed hopes for a peaceful resolution ending global crisis.

While many delegates were staring thoughtlessly at the wall like Russia Federation's emissary, some of them got more creative – let's take Iraq and Iran as for an example. When they seemed to be taking notes, actually they drew dinosaurs. Most of the participants representing the countries that were of vital importance for the debate were either closed to other points of information or had no questions to ask. It made the rest of delegates visibly irritated. Down the middle of the debate the Chairs ordered a time for a brainstorm but some delegates left instead of talking with others. After that they claimed that they were mistaken. But were they really? Certain participants received extra incentive in the form of page notes but our reporter couldn't get familiar with the subject of this secret conversations as the papers was glued together. The paper notes were used both to contact to other committees and with co-debaters in the room.

It wasn't left unnoticed that the circulation of the notes was the most frequent between the delegates from Luxembourg and Pakistan which may imply that we will see results of their cooperation on the next gathering. When the debate started to come to an end, heated discussion evolved around the issue of the life camps for the refugees, especially between the delegates of Pakistan and Austria, because the second one claimed that none of refugees would like to live in those conditions for a long time. Unfortunately, today's council meeting remained unsolved. Is the size of the committee to blame for the unfruitfulness of the debate, or is that the inexperience of the most of the delegates? We shall see it in the days that are to come.

Wiktoria Knobelsdorf & Wiktoria Stanek



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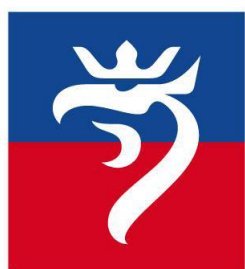
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