

DAY ONE

NEWSLETTER



SAIMUN

MMXVIII

TODAY'S SCHEDULE:

LOBBYING	8:30
DEBATE	11:30
LUNCH	12:30
DEBATE	13:30
DISMISSAL	18:00

**WHAT'S
INSIDE:
OPENING CEREMONY
PHOTOS
INTERVIEWS**

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OPENING CEREMONY

SAIMUN 2018 has officially begun on the 30th of March in ISHCMC's new Secondary Campus! The Opening Ceremony was held in the 350-seater theatre, started off by our Deputy Secretary General, Diana Song. A speech was later given by ISHCMC's Secondary Principal, Phil Rogers. He ended it by warmly welcoming each guest school, even AmIS and ABCIS, with the help of the DSG, of course. The Secondary Voice group sang an emotional rendition of "We Are the World." Then, guest speaker Ms. Thao Nguyen gave an inspirational speech on her three keys to "navigate difference and to get shared positive outcomes", with those three keys being kindness, the ability to listen, and courage. It was gracefully followed by Secretary General Sungjun Min's wishes of encouragement to the delegates, as he concluded with his hopes for a "successful conference". As a last interlude, six talented students - including our DSG - performed a stunning dance to BTS's "DNA." Finally, our President of General Assembly, Jimin Oh, gave a brief introduction of the chairs and dismissed delegates to begin debates.



WE ASKED THE CHAIRS TO
DESCRIBE THE
IDEAL DELEGATE
IN 3 ADJECTIVES

TOM LEE: PASSIONATE
WELL-PREPARED
ENGAGED

SAM KOUTELLI: OUTSPOKEN
CONFIDENT
WELL-INFORMED

STELLA NGUYEN: INFORMED
CHARISMATIC
DIPLOMATIC

JUSTIN KIM: DILIGENT
SASSY
CONFIDENT

WONJUN YANG: PASSIONATE
OPEN-MINDED
CREATIVE

AND WE ASKED THE CHAIRS TO
DESCRIBE THE
IDEAL CHAIR
IN 3 ADJECTIVES

SAM SREYNITH: INSPIRING
RESPECTFUL
FAIR

JONATHAN HACKENBERG:
CHARISMATIC
CRITICAL
THOUGHTFUL

SAM KIM: FREE
SUPPORTIVE
ATTRACTIVE

TUAN LE: CONSTRUCTIVE
EMPATHETIC
CREATIVE

SANG BEOM LEE:

ENERGIZED • ENGAGED • EMPOWERED

UP YOUR MUN GAME

Of course, many delegates are familiar to the inner workings of MUN. However, some students have just freshly started their MUN journey. Let's hear their stories!

HWAJUN SONG is a grade 6 student in ISHCMC, attending as a delegate in the Asia-Pacific Committee. Like every new MUNer, he said getting used to the procedures of MUN is one of the most challenging events he has faced so far. He told us he's been feeling confused and nervous, as all first-timers are sure to have felt during their first conference!

TOAN AND KIMBERLY are both grade 10 students from BVIS. They are attending as delegates in General Assembly 2. They noted that MUN is harder than they initially expected and find themselves wishing people would be nicer. So remember, delegates, kindness is key!

MIMI PHAM is a year 7 student from RISS and has attended as a delegate in the Human Rights Council. She is feeling scared, but at the same time quite happy since everyone was willing to help her in feeling very welcomed. It's great to see the spirit of uniting and cooperation, as per the theme of our conference, being applied to help our newest MUN members.

MATTHEW GRIMSHAW from BIS is a delegate in General Assembly One. He said he was feeling nervous, confused, but overall fairly confident as everyone was being really friendly and helpful.

After their first day experiencing MUN, let's hope all of our first-time delegates feel more relaxed and confident in contributing their ideas to resolutions and participating in debates. The next two days will surely be a time for learning, gaining new experiences and, of course, passing well-written and constructive resolutions. As per the advice of our guest speaker, Ms. Thao Nguyen, kindness, listening to others and courage will surely help our new delegates, and even those who are more experienced, to interact and cooperate with one another while having the confidence to speak their mind and ask meaningful questions.

COMMITTEES

SAM KOUTELLI is a Grade 11 student at ISHCMC acting as the Crisis Director for the Crisis Committee. As the Crisis Director he is in charge of writing the storyline for what happens in the real world. Such examples include India dealing nukes with North Korea, Kim Jong Un being poisoned, and the formation of the United Peninsula of Korea.

JUSTIN KIM is a senior from SSIS acting as Deputy Chair for the Asia Pacific Council. He was disappointed that nobody prepared for his topic of censorship, yet simultaneously feels obliged to care for the delegates who were forced to choose his topic. What a caring chair!

WONJUN YANG is the president of Security Council in this year's SAIMUN, and is absolutely delighted to have this prestigious position. He acknowledges his responsibilities and need for impartiality being given this position and gives out a warm welcome to the delegates of this conference.

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HIS SHOES MAY NOT HAVE SOLES,
BUT HE MEANS BUSINESS



MOST CREATIVE GROUP PHOTO

WHEN THE
CRISIS
DIRECTOR
REALISES
WHAT HE'S
DONE



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