

2023 UNHCR MUN Refugee Challenge

Model United Nations Refugee Challenge

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UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency

80

80+ countries

4W

40000+ students

- Debate major issues related to **forced displacement**
- Official MUN supported by **UNHCR**
- Official Participation Certificate issued by **UNHCR**



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Introduction

UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, is challenging Model United Nations (MUN) delegates worldwide to debate the major issues related to forced displacement and shape solutions to help people forced to flee their homes. The resolutions that emerge from these debates will be put before a jury. The best ideas will be shared with policymakers and be promoted on UNHCR's social media channels, which are followed by millions of people. Since 2020, over 40,000 students from 80 countries have joined UNHCR's Challenge and developed solutions to issues related to forced displacement during their MUNs. 80% of participants declare that the Challenge has improved their perceptions of refugees.

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Welcome Letter

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Dear students and dear delegates,

Thank you very much for joining the Model United Nations Refugee Challenge. It's amazing to see tens of thousands of young people eager to find solutions to help refugees. Like most of you, half of the refugees in the world are under 18. You are the future. And as my organization, UNHCR, marks its 70th anniversary, I invite you to become a young champion for refugees. Let us work together to create a better world for people forced to flee.

Filippo Grandi
UN High Commissioner for Refugees



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Conference Schedule

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To encourage Chinese delegates to join the UNHCR Refugee Challenge, ASDAN China is organizing a series of MUN conferences for high school students around the hot topics raised by UNHCR. Delegates can join any of the conferences below.

May MUN Refugee Challenge

Date May 13-14, 2023

Form Online

Topic Ensuring the Safety of Asylum Seekers **language** English

- Every day, people are forced to flee their homes due to war, violence or persecution. Once someone crosses an international boarder, they have the right to "seek asylum" in order to obtain protection in the country where they find refuge.
- Seeking asylum is a human right. Unfortunately, there are many situations in the world where people are restricted from seeking asylum.
- Asylum seekers might face pushbacks at borders, discrimination, trafficking and arbitrary detention.

June MUN Refugee Challenge

Date June 10-11, 2023

Form Online

Topic Protecting Refugee Children **language** English, Chinese

- Over 40% of the world's refugees and internally displaced are children. This means that 36.5 million children are forcibly displaced due to war and persecution.
- All children are entitled to protection and care under international law.
- In situations of forced displacement, children are at risk of various forms of abuse, separation from their carers, violence and trafficking.

July MUN Refugee Challenge

Date July 8-9, 2023

Form Online

Topic Refugees' Access to Jobs and Financial Services **language** English

- After fleeing war or persecution, the opportunity to work is one of the most effective ways refugees can rebuild their lives with dignity and in peace.
- 75% of refugees have access to work in law. In practice, however, 62% of refugees live in countries where access to formal employment is restricted.
- Refugees are hindered by high unemployment rates, a lack of access to education and training, limitations on their movement and restrictions on rights concerning housing and land.

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Agenda

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1st day

2nd day

9:00-12:00

Opening Ceremony

Committee Session 1:
Open General Speaker's List

Committee Session 3: Formal Debate and
Caucusing

14:00-17:00

Committee Session 2: Formal Debate
and Caucusing

Committee Session 4: Resolution Voting
Closing Ceremony

*Agenda is subject to change

Awards

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Individual Award (Each Committee)

- Best Delegate
- Best Position Paper
- Outstanding Delegate
- Honorable Delegate
- Participation Certificate (Issued by UNHCR)
- Communication Award

Awards issued by UNHCR

- Best Resolution
- Special Mention

Registration

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480 RMB/student

Inclusive of: MUNC conference, Pre-conference
training, Academic Materials, Digital Certificates