CODE OF CONDUCT

Scope

At GENCMUN, we are committed to fostering a respectful, inclusive, and academically enriching environment. This Code of Conduct outlines the expected standards of behavior for all participants to ensure a professional and enjoyable experience throughout the conference.

General Conduct

All participants—including delegates, chairs, organizers, and guests—are expected to behave in a respectful, professional, and inclusive manner at all times. GENCMUN is a discrimination-free and harassment-free conference. Any form of harassment based on race, gender, nationality, ethnicity, religion, disability, or any other identity marker will not be tolerated. Delegates are reminded that they are representing their assigned countries and must act diplomatically and with decorum throughout all sessions. Aggressive, disruptive, or inappropriate behavior may lead to disciplinary action, including removal from sessions or expulsion from the conference.

Dress Code

All attendees of the conference are expected to comply fully with the established dress code. As the event is a simulation of the United Nations, maintaining a professional and formal appearance is essential. Casual clothing such as t-shirts, sweatshirts, or similar informal garments are not allowed, as they undermine the formality of the setting. All participants should dress in a manner that reflects standard United Nations protocol, as described below:

For Male Participants:

Male delegates are required to wear formal suits throughout the conference. The suit must consist of at least a shirt, jacket, and trousers. Colors should be conservative and suitable for a formal setting; loud or flashy colors are not appropriate. Ties or bow ties are compulsory. Dress shoes must be worn at all times as part of the formal outfit.

For Female Participants:

Female delegates are expected to wear professional attire, such as formal blouses, dresses, shirts, tailored pants, black tunics, or skirts. Shoes must also align with the formal tone of the event. Excessive makeup is not allowed. Skirts must be no shorter than three fingers below the knee, and the neckline should not extend more than two fingers below the collarbone. Outfits that are overly revealing or tightly fitted are strictly prohibited.

Participation Fee and Payment Terms

In alignment with our mission to create an inclusive, accessible, and meaningful conference experience, we are proud to announce that **no participation fee** will be required for GENCMUN. Recognizing the value of open access to diplomatic dialogue, critical thinking, and global cooperation, we have eliminated all financial requirements to ensure that every student, regardless of their background, can join the conference.

All delegates who receive approval to attend will be able to participate **entirely free of charge**, with **no registration or attendance fees** involved. This policy is a testament to our commitment to educational equality and our firm belief that financial limitations should never hinder a student's opportunity for academic development and international engagement.

Punctuality and Attendance

Delegates must attend all scheduled committee sessions, workshops, and plenaries unless explicitly excused by the GENCMUN Secretariat. Punctuality is essential. Late arrivals disrupt the flow of committee work and may affect eligibility for awards. Repeated tardiness or unexcused absence from sessions may lead to disqualification from delegate awards or future conference participation.

Rules of Procedure and Committee Conduct

All delegates are required to follow the Rules of Procedure as outlined in the GENCMUN Study Guide. Delegates must respect the authority of the Dais (Chair, Co-Chair, and Rapporteur) at all times. Unparliamentary language, speaking out of turn, or intentionally disrupting debate is unacceptable and may result in a warning or disciplinary action.

Academic Integrity and Plagiarism

GENCMUN upholds the highest standards of academic integrity. All submitted documents, including position papers, working papers, and draft resolutions, must be original and properly cited. Any form of plagiarism, including copying material from other delegates or online sources without citation, will result in immediate disqualification from awards and possibly the entire conference.

Use of Technology

Technology is to be used responsibly. Delegates may use laptops or tablets for research, note-taking, and resolution writing, but not for unrelated activities. Mobile phones must be silenced or turned off during sessions. Excessive or disruptive use of electronic devices may result in a warning.

Media

Our organization retains the authority to capture photographs, video footage, and other forms of visual media throughout the duration of the event. These materials may be used for promotional purposes, archival documentation, and public sharing across multiple platforms. By attending the conference, participants acknowledge and consent to being recorded. No attendee shall have the right to oppose the use or distribution of these recordings, nor make any ownership claims over the content.

Respect Toward Staff and Organizers

All participants must treat conference staff, organizers, chairs, and volunteers with courtesy and respect. Disrespectful or dismissive behavior toward any member of the GENCMUN team will not be tolerated and may result in removal from sessions.

Behavior During Social Events and Free Time

Delegates are expected to maintain appropriate conduct not only in committees but also during social events and free time. The Code of Conduct applies to all conference-related activities, whether on or off official premises. Any inappropriate behavior that occurs during social events or in accommodations that affects the safety or comfort of others will result in sanctions.

Prohibited Substances and Illegal Behavior

The use, possession, or distribution of illegal substances or alcohol is strictly prohibited at all times during the conference. Any participant found in violation will be immediately expelled from the conference and reported to the necessary authorities if applicable.

Disciplinary Actions

Violations of the Code of Conduct will be addressed by the Secretariat. Consequences may include:

- Verbal or written warnings
- Temporary removal from sessions
- Disqualification from awards
- Expulsion from the conference without refund

The Secretariat reserves the right to take any action deemed necessary to maintain a safe and respectful environment.

Final Clause

- By attending GENCMUN, all participants agree to abide by this Code of Conduct.
- The Secretariat reserves the right to amend or interpret this Code as necessary for the success and safety of the conference.

We thank you for your cooperation and look forward to an engaging, respectful, and inspiring GENCMUN experience!

