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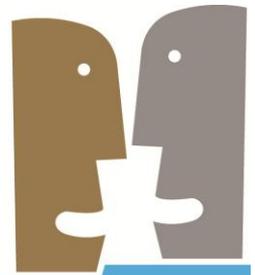
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The South African Model United Nations

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2017 SOUTH AFRICAN MODEL UN

- The debates are based on a simulation of the United Nations General Assembly.
- Participating South African teams must consist of four high school learners (two from a resourced and two from an under-resourced school).
- No more than 30 teams per province can be accommodated in their provincial conference.
- Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Each team is allocated a country to represent in the debate. Participants have to familiarise themselves with the cultural practices, social, economic and political policies of the country they represent through research and reading, and convincingly adopt this country's stance on the issues that are put forward and debated.
- The debates aim to develop communication skills such as the written preparation of arguments, oral presentations, negotiation and reaching a working compromise.

The conferences are divided into the following segments:

- Training workshops are held in May, at which training manuals and topic preparation packs are given to the delegates.
- Provincial Conferences, SAMUN International Conference in Cape Town.
- Each provincial team of four consists of two members from a resourced and two from an under-resourced school.
- The conferences are run firstly at a provincial level; where each team member receives a certificate of participation, and the first, second and third place team members in each province receive a medallion.
- The winning team from each province (including their educators) are then flown to Cape Town (travel and accommodation expenses are paid for) to debate against teams from other African countries and abroad.

CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPATION

- Only South African high school learners (students) Grades 8-11 may participate in the Provincial Conferences.
- Please note: South African Grade 12 learners (students) will not be accepted.
- Only one team per school is permitted to enter.
- Correspondence is only sent to the host school.
- Individual participants who were selected for the previous overseas visit and conference are not eligible to enter again
- Learners who participated in the previous overseas visit and conference and are doing their tertiary studies should contact Education Africa should they wish to act as trainee tutors in their province.

NB: TRANSPORT SUBSIDIES

Please note the following:

- Limited subsidies are available. Schools must adequately motivate their need for a subsidy in writing to Education Africa three weeks prior to the workshop/conference.
- Education Africa reserves the right to reject applications for subsidising transport costs where it deems the application to be unreasonable or unfeasible. Should applications be approved, transport subsidy requisition forms will be sent to the schools with terms and conditions.

Teams not adhering to the competition rules will be disqualified.

THE CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION IS 13 April 2017