





The United Nations Association United Arab Emirates

Cordially invites Secondary and University students
and aspiring, motivated citizens for free participation in



**The SDG Challenge – SDGs of Summer
UAE Youth Solutions**

June: SDG2 "Zero Hunger"
July: SDG 1 "No Poverty"
August: SDG 3 "Health & Well-being"



First Challenge (SDG2) kicks-off May 31. Teams selected as finalists will present at the Solutions' Briefing in late June (Date TBA) 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

WEBSITE: www.TheSDGChallenge.com



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

(SDGs) 2016 – 2030

The first Challenge, in honor of Ramadan, aims to generate ideas to solve SDG#2

1 NO POVERTY 	2 NO HUNGER 	3 GOOD HEALTH 	4 QUALITY EDUCATION 	5 GENDER EQUALITY 	6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION
7 RENEWABLE ENERGY 	8 GOOD JOBS AND ECONOMIC GROWTH 	9 INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE 	10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES 	11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES 	12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION
13 CLIMATE ACTION 	14 LIFE BELOW WATER 	15 LIFE ON LAND 	16 PEACE AND JUSTICE 	17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS 	

THE GLOBAL GOALS
For Sustainable Development



Kicking off during Ramadan the first SDG Challenge (SDG#2) sees UAE high school and University students coming together to arrive at ideas and solutions: No Hunger by 2030.

WHO?

We welcome Secondary School and University student teams comprised of students wishing to engage with SDGs, and mature and motivated youth wishing to contribute brainpower toward Solutions are welcome to join!.

United Nations Assoc. UAE and Arab Youth Venture Foundation are joint producers of 'The SDG Challenge'

Send us your Q's or REGISTER below!

WHAT?

A dynamic, free, and charitable activity that kicks off before the end of Ramadan challenging the minds of UAE youth into the month of June to arrive at imaginative and viable solutions starting with SDG 2 by way of teamwork diversity and collaboration.

A great way to become an engaged global citizen and learn, hands-on about U.N. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)!

Certificates will be awarded to each team member and the *Top 3 Winning teams will be presented special designation and prizes.*

WHERE?

This is a nationwide challenge culminating in Dubai and both physical and remote/virtual options are possible for team prep and practice.

We will offer co-working locations soon!

All Team PRESENTATIONS , or 'SDG Solutions Briefings' will take place in June (date TBC) in Dubai.

Full of ideas, ready to contribute? REGISTER!



Students have **2 weeks** in which to plan their time, brainstorm, put together their proposal and their presentation for an esteemed panel of dignitaries in late June!

WHEN?

Registration up until Thurs., May 30

Teams work on their solutions ANYtime within an intensive 2 week period.

United Nations Assoc. UAE will welcome the top 10 teams to present at

The SDG Challenge - SDG#2 UAE Youth Solutions Briefing

JUNE 2019 (Date TVC) - **10am to 2pm**

This event is open to Press

Ask us Q's or REGISTER your team details, below!

WHY?

To assist as global citizen's to arrive at potential solutions to the world's most pressing problems.

Kicking off during the holy month of Ramadan we are afforded a blessing in the form of our sacrifice of fasting. It's through this abstinence that we learn empathy and what it feels like to go hungry - the pain and limitations, albeit for a short time.

The inaugural SDG Challenge is open to all interested and motivated students and all will be invited to attend the event briefing May 25.

** Due to the nature of the U.N. diverse teams will have advantage.*

HOW?

You can bring forth your own team or we may add you to another youth team of similar age and interest area within SDG2 (max 6 per team).

Your team will decide when, where to meet, how to approach your brainstorming sessions, division of work, how to convey your idea for solution to getting to NO HUNGER by 2030, i.e. the proposal/presentation format you will use (ppt, video, speech, skit).

10 FINALIST teams will have 10 minutes each to present to the audience and a panel of esteemed leaders and diplomats followed by 10 minutes of Q&A. The SDG Solutions Briefing will be videotaped.

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Past press coverage and certificates for our Briefings and MUN activities

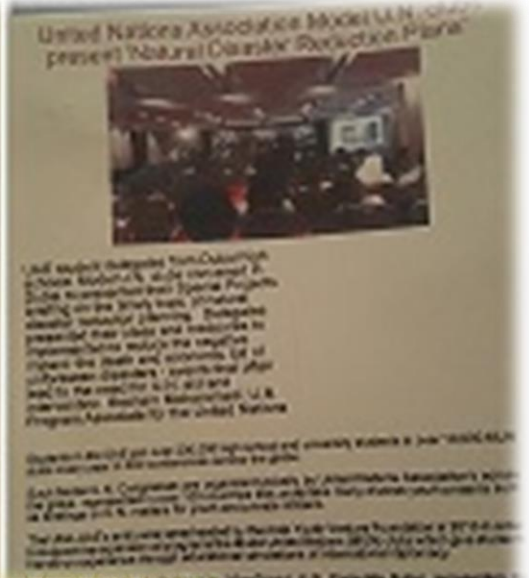


United Nations Association Model U.N. clubs present 'Natural Disaster Reduction Plans'

UAE student delegates from Dubai high schools' Model U.N. clubs convened in Dubai to present their Special Projects briefing on the timely topic of natural disaster reduction planning. Delegates presented their ideas and measures to implemented to reduce the negative impact -the death and economic toll of unforeseen disasters - events that often lead to the need for U.N. aid and intervention. Hesham Mohammed, U.N. Program Associate for the United Nations

Students in the UAE join over 200,000 high school and university students in over 10,000 MUN clubs every year in 400 conferences across the globe.

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طلبة من الإمارات في مؤتمر يحاكي «الأمم المتحدة»



شارك عدد من طلبة الثانوية العامة في الدولة ضمن وفد الإمارات لمؤتمر محاكاة الأمم المتحدة في بوسطن بولاية ماساتشوستس الذي أقيم في السبع والخمسين من يناير كانون الثاني الماضي، واختتم أسس الأول، ويقوم على احتفالات الطلبة لنموذج الأمم المتحدة، بمشاركة طلبة من مختلف دول العالم، يلعبون فيه أدواراً تحاكي مشي دول العالم الأعضاء في المنظمة الدولية.

وذكر في مؤسسة مشروع الشباب العربي في دبي للثمن من طلبة الصف العاشر، من مدرسة كاتولييك الثانوية في أبوظبي، تحت شعار «تعليمنا اليوم قد يتغير».

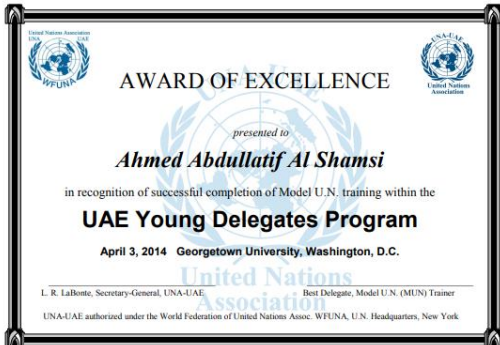
ويوفر مؤتمر طلبة الإمارات الأمم المتحدة رؤية عميقة للتحديات التي تواجهها دول العالم المتحدة ودينامية العلاقات الدولية، عن مختلف أوزار مشي الأمم المتحدة والاتحاد الأوروبي والمجلس التنفيذي.

المنظمة على نطاق واسع السلاح والامن العالمي، اللجنة الاقتصادية، اللجنة الاجتماعية والإنسانية والثقافية، المجلس الاقتصادي الخاصة وعدم الإحتكار، اللجنة الاقتصادية الأوروبية للتجارة، منظمة التجارة العالمية، وهي منظمات دولية مهمة لها دور كبير، والوثائق المتخصصة، وهي عبارة عن أسرار تتشارك في المؤتمر، وتعتبر بقضايا السلم والديمقراطية والتنمية الاقتصادية والاجتماعية.

بعد من أرقامه، توفر الطلبة المشاركين في المؤتمر بأنهم استفادوا كثيراً من البرنامج الذي يقدم الفرصة لتنمية الأوجه الاجتماعية والاقتصادية والسياسية، لتبدأ أبحاثهم، فضلاً على تعلمهم من تطوير مهاراتهم، إضافة إلى أنهم خرجوا بخصوص الكتب القيمة المفيدة، وأخذ عدد من الطلبة المشاركين في الإمارات من الإمارات أن المؤتمر طوع شخصياتهم ومهاراتهم، وتقدمهم التوجيهية والقانونية.

تحت إشراف المرشد، من مؤسسة تطوير مشاريع الشباب والامن العام لنموذج الأمم المتحدة في الإمارات، بأنهم طوعوا الأمم المتحدة في المدارس توفى الطلبة بصفة خاصة، وللمشاركين في موضوعات القيمة، تحت من قبل أعضاء مكتبين وديبلوماسيين في الأمم المتحدة.

عدد من الطلبة خلال المؤتمر





- Q** What is 'The SDG Challenge'? **A** TSDGC is a three month Summer contest (open to all students 13 yrs +) where creative young minds are put to task to tackle three global SDGs starting Ramadan with #2 No Hunger.
- Q** Must I sign up for all three or can I pick and choose?
A You can choose one, two, or all three. It's up to you!
- Q** What special skills do I need? What will I learn?
A Aspiring youth will undertake research, hone soft skills such as problem solving and critical thinking, teamwork, presentations, presentation!
- Q** How long is each Challenge? **A** Each runs 2 weeks! Plus The day Briefing to Judges & Audience will be in mid-late June in which Teams will recommend ideas toward a solution.
- Q** Will anyone help us? **A** Limited mentoring will be avail
- Q** Who is eligible to participate? **A** Any student in UAE
- Q** How many mates are allowed per team? **A** Up to 6 per
- Q** How many teams can participate? **A** No limit to number of teams, yet only the top 10 will be invited to present their solutions, all others will be invited to attend/observe the Briefing in June
- Q** How long do we have to present? **A** 10 minutes + 10 minutes Q&A by Audience and Panel of Dignitaries
- Q** Is there a deadline to register? **A** Yes, May 30 for SDG2
- Q** Who will we be competing against exactly?
A Your peers, and we will try to assure balance teams

Frequently Asked Questions --- FAQ

- Q** What areas of SDG2 that teams must help to solve?
A Teams must research SDG2! A few areas include Food security, Nutrition, Resilient or Sustainable agriculture, Rural farming, Avoiding food waste, Food research, more!
- Q** When and where will we present our ideas, solutions?
A You will present in Dubai.
- Q** Will you provide transportation to the event? **A** No ☹️
- Q** Can more than one team per school participate? **A** Yes!
- Q** Can my team come from different schools? **A** Yes!
- Q** Why should I join a team and undertake the Challenge? What will I gain? **A** The Challenge will provide invaluable experience (incl. **participation in 'good works'**). You will master deadline based creative problem solving, working group diversity, teamwork, and enhanced presentation skills. And, **the Challenge is great for your CV - Universities and employers value such extracurricular experiences.**
- Q** Are there gender or language requirements? **A** No. All are welcome to apply although a strong level of English proficiency is required by at least one team member who can serve as the leader and presenter.
- Q** Is there a cost for participation? **A** No. But the Gov't venue MAY charge AED 50. We're working on this one!
- Q** What if I have more Qs!? **A** Email us!: sdg@unauae.org



About Model United Nations (Model U.N. or MUN)

The United Nations Association

The UNA-UAE brings together and aligns key stakeholders in academia, government and the private sector in the creation of UAE's overarching UNA that supports Model U.N. clubs in schools as well as develops innovative, engaging programs relating to civil society while promoting international understanding and leadership among youth.

Sponsored in part by the U.S. Department of State, the United Nations Association's mandate is also to encourage international collaboration among youth in the region through a number of community outreach programs.

Objectives:

- Promote Model U.N. Clubs as an educational tool across the UAE
- Invite participation in and develop the skills of UAE youth in the area of diplomacy and negotiation
- Expand number of UAE's Model U.N. school clubs
- Link MUN in UAE with MUN at an international level
- Develop and promote cross-cultural campaigns
- Create community awareness programs to help forge better understanding of international crisis situation
- Establish a channel of dialogue between future young leaders and business stake holders



Model U.N. Clubs-UAE

Model United Nations (also Model U.N. or MUN) is an academic simulation of the assembly sessions of the United Nations that aims to educate by directly engaging student participants in civics, current events, and effective communication relating to leadership, globalization and multilateral diplomacy.

In order to hold MUN meetings, delegates utilize diplomatic language and learn the U.N. Rules & Procedures to ensure debates are held in an organized fashion and promote fair participation.

Benefits of MUN

- Communication skills
- Global inter-connectedness
- Critical thinking skills
- Public speaking
- Researching
- Policy analysis
- Strategy & position formulation
- Active listening
- Negotiation skills
- Political, Economic and Cultural awareness
- Foreign market knowledge
- Conflict Resolution
- Participation in MUNs is looked upon favorably by Universities, Employers

