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Welcome, CICMUN XVII

Welcome to the 16th edition of CICMUN!

CICMUN stands for a Model United Nations staged at Colégio Internato dos Carvalhos. It was founded in 2001 when, along with their teacher Maria Emília Macedo, a team of students decided to start this activity. It has evolved along the years, and now it involves more than 12 schools from western Europe, being the only Portuguese MUN organized by a 100% Portuguese school. Last year over 300 students (delegates and officers) from three different countries participated.



The main goal of this conference is to raise awareness to serious current issues that are affecting our world and to try to find possible resolutions for these problems in a fun and alluring way. All this, while it also helps improve our English skills.

This type of conference is also a good way to make our youth aware of the world's problems, to make young people more informed and allow them to be an important piece of society by helping solve those problems.

Another bright side is that during this conference we can make international friendships and learn about the functioning of this multifaceted world.

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Golden Duo

Let us introduce our officers!

Q: As a former delegate and now as the Secretary General, you are quite well known abroad as a very efficient and pragmatic person, fit for such a high post. How did you evolve as a person to acquire your current position?

A: Thank you. I've been doing this for a while now. I became more and more comfortable with speaking in public, which is a big part of the conference, especially as Secretary-General. But I also got to experience it from different angles, I've been a delegate many times, but I've also been Press and a member of the Housing team.

Q: Are you feeling the pressure of being the head of such a big conference?

A: Yes, definitely. There is a lot of pressure to make everything work out the way it is supposed to. CICMUN is organized by students and their teachers, and we spend about six months preparing everything. If there's something that this conference made me learn is that there is no such thing as "too many back-up plans".

Q: Hello, deputy secretary general! So, what inspired you to be part of CIC's 'clube internacional'? What motivated you to be part of this kind of project?

Hello, first I think that MUN is part of my life. I was on my 10th grade when I participated for the first time at CICMUN, as an Armenian Delegate. When CICMUNXV ended, I felt the need to be part of Clube Internacional. I was so excited that I had to be a member of the CICMUN XVI's team. Last year, as Head of Staff, I understood that there are many students who care about the world's future and they really want to change it.

I believe that being part of such an important event can improve ourselves as human beings and as world citizens. Students can get more involved with the reality and they can think about what to do during their lives to guarantee that the world is going to overcome so many serious issues.

Recently, the city of Porto has been elected Best European Destination 2017, after a three-week period of online voting by worldwide travellers from 174 different countries, including the United Kingdom, the USA, Ireland and South Korea, among others. The site even pointed out that never had a voting been so unanimous before. It has been the third time the unvanquished city (“Cidade Invicta”) won this title, the other two times being in 2012 and 2014. Porto’s wealth of monumental and artistic heritage, cultural life, gastronomy and open-air leisure spaces are just some of the few reasons why you should visit this city. The city has all the charm of a town which happily cohabit with its river. You can stroll along the River Douro (river of gold) in Cais da Ribeira or discover Porto’s architecture, its amazing landscapes and magnificent bridges by taking a cruise along this beautiful river.

Clérigos has been classified, since 1910, a National Monument for its church and for the tower, one of the principal interest spots, and a mandatory visit place for all those who visit the city of Porto. The church and the tower were built by Nicolau Nasoni during the XVIII century, na edification that marked the urban configuration of the city. The monumento is opened from 9 AM ‘till 7 PM for the public and the cost of the visit varies from 4€ to 6€. However, students get a 50% discount.



Clérigos' Tower

“... It’s on the second biggest city of the country that we found the most gorgeous of all the cafés of the nation and one of the most attractive of the world. Starting with the facade and ending with its interior, the Café Majestic is more than just a tourist attraction, it’s also a beautiful scenery for cultural events.



Majestic Café

The Don Luís Bridge is na architectural mettalic structure with two trays, built from 1881 to 1888 in order to connect the cities of Porto and Vila Nova de Gaia, separated by the Douro River.



Don Luís Bridge

The bridge was built based on a project of the Belgian engineer Théophile Seyrig, which had already cooperated with Gustave Eiffel on the making of the Maria Pia Bridge, from 1875 to 1877. Nowadays, the upper tray serves the D subway line of Porto and the lower tray is used by automobiles and people.

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António Guterres

“Let’s make 2017 a year of peace”

António Guterres, Portugal’s ex-prime minister, has been recently appointed as the world’s top diplomat.

On his many scholarly speeches, the topic of the youth’s role on society is, in a way, always brought up. He strongly defends that those who represent the future of our society should have a part on life-changing decisions, as they are the ones who are going to suffer from the outcome. Not only that, Guterres shelters the idea of education being a “matter of global-security”, specifically for displaced youngsters who have witnessed bloodshed in their own countries. With the



power of education, the secretary-general believes that this minority is going to be able to get more opportunities to raise the odds for a better future for their home countries. These brand-new perspectives concerning the juvenile population certainly do bring a new hope for a better and more unified world.

We can only look forward to the innovative president’s speeches, as they are highly inspirational and educative, concerning matters that definitely need to be spoken of. Portugal is eminently honoured to have one of its own on such a high post, performing so well while representing the world - and when we say the world, we really mean everyone - so efficiently.

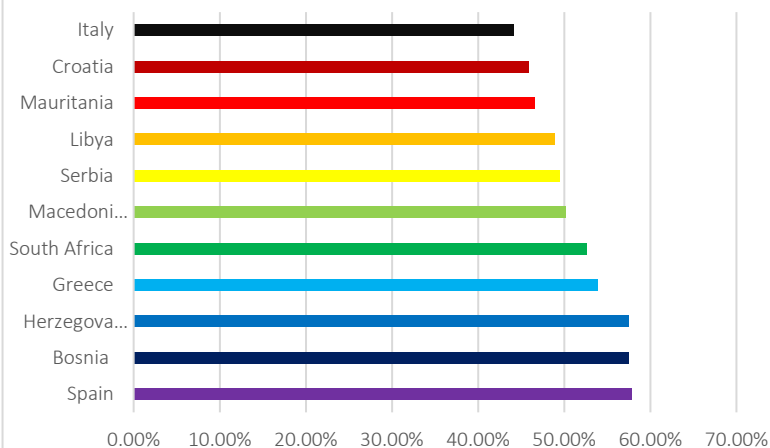
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Youth unemployment and aging populations

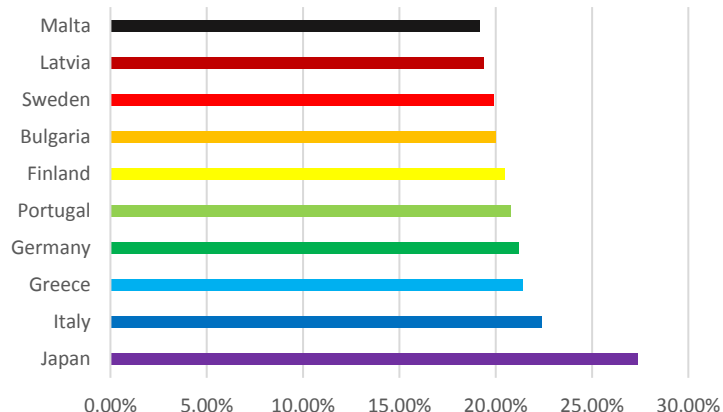
Some examples of ratings

In these graphics, you can see the countries with a bigger rate of youth unemployment and the ones with the largest aging population, which can help you through the conference and the issues.

Unemployment rate for each country



Countries with the largest aging population



Freedom of Press

The 19th Article of the Declaration of Human Rights states everyone has the right to freedom of opinion and expression; this right includes freedom to hold opinions without interference and to seek, receive and impart information and ideas through any media and regardless of frontiers.

Sharing stories is in our nature, perceiving the facts makes our judgment better, and lastly being aware of others and their problems makes us more aware of the

world around us. Yet as essential as

knowledge and information is to human curiosity and passion, it is not easy to obtain it. It is essential for functioning societies to create a social climate where information and ideas are shared openly.

After so many years fighting for our rights, we managed to achieve the so wanted freedom of press. Nonetheless, due to recent events, this freedom is once again in danger. In 2015, the world witnessed one of the most violent attacks against the media perpetuated against journal *Charlie Hebdomadaire*. In France, the newspaper *Libération* opens its website with the phrase *Je suis Charlie*, which means I am Charlie. Two days after the attack the slogan had become one of the most popular news hashtags in Twitter history. *Je suis Charlie* was adopted worldwide, was used in music, displayed in print and animated cartoons (including *The Simpsons*),

and became the new name of a town square in France. This incident caused fear and narrowed the sharing of opinions.

However, Iraq and Syria's journalist are the most threatened. ISIS/ISIL greatly challenge the key idea of freedom of the press. ISIS is the acronym for the Islamic state in Iraq and Syria. ISIS is often referred to as ISIL, which stands for the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant. ISIS/ISIL is a religiously motivated terrorist group.

One of the largest and most successful terrorist groups to date. They are an extremist militant group that practices Wahabi/Salafi law. ISIS/ISIL currently occupy large parts of Syria and Iraq, causing a civil war and fighting between governments and armed rebels. Their operations have remained intact because they have controlled and exploited many different oil drill/rigs in the Middle East. ISIS/ISIL have carried out many atrocities against journalists and other citizens. This criminal organization is a vital part of this discussion because they continuously violate international agreements, making journalism a very dangerous activity in the Middle East.

Unfortunately, terrorism is a reality that will continue to exist and will eventually become accepted as normal.

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Donald Trump

On the question of gender identity

The former businessman and newest American President has been the topic of many controversial discussions. The Ex-TV personality is known to have questionable opinions regarding issues such as gender identity and disabilities. When asked whether "gender identity" should be added to anti-discrimination laws, Donald Trump said no. In addition, the USA president has been a consistent opponent of marriage equality, since he said he considers himself a traditional guy. To further prove his wrong actions towards people with different sexual orientations, he expressed support to the so-called First Amendment Defence Act (FADA), which would lead to more Kim Davis-style discrimination and declined to support the Equality Act. With this, he presents himself as an Anti-LGBTQ. In the social media, his tweets and publications have created a huge controversy because of the ironic and, sometimes, mean content. In his presidential campaign, he has proved to be the most belligerent personality to run for the USA presidency. Moreover, Donald Trump, of Scottish heritage, intends to protect the USA against immigrants from some countries. He reinforces the need of separating the true Americans from the immigrants that live in The States or want to travel to the country and has taken the first measures to fight this influx of foreigner populations. In spite of all this the American was nominated for a Nobel Prize last year.

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