



MUN OSAKA

Process and Procedure

The Osaka Model United Nations is an annual event held every summer in the centre of Osaka City. Each event has a distinct Agenda that is divided into 3 separate issues or topics. The Agenda at the MUN Osaka is typically a reflection of the more venerable MUN held yearly in Kyoto by Kansai High School Model United Nations. Kansai International (KIHS) is one of the founding schools of the Kyoto Model United Nations and we are proud of our long-term friendship with Kyoto Nishi High School.

As for the procedures of the MUN, we follow very closely the ones that have evolved at the KHSMUN with some very small changes given our specific situation. The Model United Nations is conducted as a General Assembly with all delegates having equal rights to introduce, amend and debate resolutions based on the Agenda of the event. Many of the essential rules and procedures of our MUN can be found on the [KHSMUN](#) website. We are very grateful for their support.

Resolutions are written by blocks of countries. Those blocks are assigned by the MUN Osaka committee based on their Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Blocks are designated as Developed Countries, Developing Countries and Least Developed Countries. Students are grouped into pairs by their schools and are given a country to represent at the MUN event. They are responsible to research their country's data and statistics and to acquire any relevant information pertaining to the Agenda on their own. Much of the statistical information for nearly all countries can be found at [CIA World Factbook](#) while information on the Agenda can be found at various United Nations websites.

Before the two day event in mid-July, there is a MOCK MUN at the beginning of the same month where the procedures and a simple MUN demonstration are held. Most of the day, though, is spent on Block meetings where the delegates put together their various clauses to create their resolution for the General Assembly. Those clauses are submitted to the Block via a Bulletin Board System (BBS) on the [MUN Osaka](#) website before the actual MOCK meeting where other block delegates can view and comment on them. Block meetings are conducted in English and Japanese.

The General Assembly is conducted completely in English, as well as all debates during the Model United Nations. Caucusing and block meetings are designated language free and Japanese or other languages may be used as required. The MUN Osaka Committee is very aware of the importance of this event as an EFL experience for the participating students and it is critical that we offer that opportunity during the entirety of the event whenever possible.