



# INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE

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*Change will not happen if we wait for someone else or wait for the right moment. We are what we have been waiting for; We are the change we crave.*  
(Barack Obama)

Dear delegates,

On behalf of the Tecnológico de Monterrey, as well as the Organizing Committee, we give you the warmest welcome to our Model United Nations Campus Toluca, TOLMUN 2022.

We are incredibly excited to see you again after facing a whole stage full of changes and adaptations that have arisen from the epidemiological crisis that has shaken us for 2 years now. Without a doubt, receiving them again in our facilities fills us with joy and happiness. And we are sure that each of you will make this model a unique, memorable, and incomparable experience after so long without seeing each other.

During these three days, we hope not only to enrich your knowledge regarding issues of relevance to the international community; but also, to develop an immense number of new skills such as participation, diplomacy, critical thinking, teamwork, and global vision.

It is generally believed that the best delegate is the one with the most powerful delegation, the most influential, or the most developed; we have to confess that this is a hoax. Well, the best is who puts their full effort inside and outside the forum, who questions and questions themselves but above all, who dares to be a leader and provides a guide for others. Well, a leader is not one who only focuses on his own success, but one who knows the path walks it, and shares it.

Debate and argue, but above all listen and analyze. Keep this in mind during each of your discussion sessions, and we assure you that by the end of the model, you will have collected great lessons that will translate into enormous personal satisfaction. We are sure that this will be possible thanks to the incredible team of tables that we have formed this year. Without every chair, moderator, and conference officer it would not be possible to bring this sublime experience to you.

Finally, we want to express our pride in each delegate who is willing to participate. We are eager to hear from you and your proposals. Much success!

Sincerely,

**Secretaria General**  
**Natalia Alcántara Millán**

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## WELCOME LETTER TO DELEGATES

"In all debates, truth should be your goal, not victory, or unfair interest." -William Penn

Honored Delegates:

You are cordially welcome to the International Olympic Committee (IOC). We send you a big greeting and we firmly believe in the grand potential you have to offer in this debate. It is a pleasure for us that you are part of this unique and memorable experience.

As part of the committee, it is satisfying for us to know that we will have delegates like you who have had the commitment and dedication to make this experience not only learning but fun.

Even though this event can be considered as a simulator of what a real debate is, "TOLMUN" focuses on creating spaces where current topics of great interest can be investigated and debated, such as the ones we are going to deal with in this wonderful committee. The two topics have a big importance, and we know that they will make an impact on you and the world in general. Remember that everything begins with your proposals and together, hand in hand, we will develop them to leave our mark on human decisions.

We are sure that this will be a great event where there is going to be an open dialogue, learning, teaching, meeting, and sharing ideas to create strong bonds of friendship. All this with the sole objective of having a fruitful time. We hope that each delegate takes advantage of everything that "TOLMUN 2022" and we as a board of directors offer them. We will always be at your disposal to resolve your concerns regarding the Model or the Committee.

As we mentioned before, it is important for us that besides taking away knowledge of this great activity, also create pleasant memories, so that these give you guidelines to continue in this type of project, where all your capacities are reflected.

We appreciate your participation in this committee, and we know you will enjoy it as much as we do. More than their table leaders, you can consider us as your friends, who are willing to support you in the good, bad, and worst moments. We look forward and count down the days to finally seeing you in person. You are all successful!

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## **ABOUT THE COMMITTEE**

According to the Official Organization of the Olympic Games, the main objective of the (IOC) is to defend and lead the sports movement. It's an organization located in different parts of the world, which seeks to create a relationship between athletes, organizations, federations, and dissemination partners. All this with the main goal of creating a close bond of understanding to create a better world through sports.

Day by day, the IOC works to provide solutions and promote what the UN says, adding sport in between. Its members are 102 active, 43 honoraries, and one honorary member. The founding countries of this organization are Argentina, Austrian Empire-Bohemia, Belgium, United States of America, France, United Kingdom, Greece, Hungary, Italy, New Zealand, Russian Empire, and Sweden.

It is a committee focused on taking advantage of all the potential that sport has and exploiting it in the world to generate environments of peace and inclusion. The (IOC) is not only focused on sports, it also supports humanity and strives to provide them opportunities without judging them for their character, beliefs, appearance, or any other characteristics related to their person.

This commission is largely linked to the Olympic Games, and thanks to them, this organization has increased. At the time the Olympic Games were restored (June 23, 1894), this group was created to protect the committee and those who were part of it. In the year 2020, an "Olympic Charter" was created to project information about the sets and rules that this committee must follow to achieve better functioning of it. The established rules are not completely directed to countries, rather, they deal with issues that may arise with the resolution of problems. The only rule that must be complied with at all times by each one of the countries, is the fact of giving freedom to society to participate in sporting events and not judge them based on personal prejudices.

The IOC distributes more than 90% of its income to countries around the world that have Olympic movements, intending to achieve a Global Sports Culture. Its function depends on the country where it is located, but in a general way, it provides support in any problem or confusion that arises, related to competitions or sports situations.



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## TOPIC A: LGBTQ+ 's rights in sports competitions

Currently, the LGBTQ+ community has gained great popularity in all media. The community is characterized by feeling physically, emotionally, and sexually attracted to people of the same gender or one more. L: lesbians, G: gay, B: bisexuals, T: transgenders and transsexuals Q: "queer". Here we find two very important, being transgender and transexual.

The difference between transgender and transexual is that transgenders change their diversity of without changing their given, and transexuals undergoes a medical procedure in order to change sexual organs. Correspondingly, both adopt behaviors and attitudes. Over time the field of sport has been mainly led by men, however little by little society has had different social and regulatory changes which consequently created fair and equal decisions for both men and women. In sport, we can find two branches, men's and women's branches.

Already mentioned before, society has had social changes, among them women have stood out since over time they have given great struggles for an egalitarian society. In the women's branch, we can find renowned athletes such as Serena Williams, who remains the current number one in the sport of tennis. We can also mention other great women such as Ada Hegerberg, Norwegian soccer player playing as "forward" for Olympique Lyon. In 2018, she became the first player to win the Ballon of Gold.

Now let's move on to the Men's branch, in the men's branch we find Cristiano Ronaldo, a Portuguese soccer player for the "United" team, going from a contact sport only with the feet, we find Lebron James, a professional basketball player for the "Lakers". The field of sport is quite extensive, it contains countless branches; even though the sport has two sections, there are still issues as there are restrictions on transgender and transexual athletes.

This has been generating great controversy, to the point where it has been considered discrimination simply because of their sexual orientation. The moment someone makes this big decision to change their gender or sex, they are exposed to different physical, mental, and emotional changes. *"No one is against trans women or their inclusion in sport, but not at the cost of overriding the gender-based categories that sport is based on and needs"* [\(FE, 2022\)](#) explains Irene Aguilar legal advisor. The debate is that it is believed that when competing with a trans person (example: trans woman) they benefit from the effects of testosterone. Some people think this debate it's required while others consider it's small-mindedness way for transgender people.



## KEY QUESTIONS :

- What is your country's opinion about LGBTQ+ community? Would they let them participate in sports?
- What does your country propose to turn this discussion into a correct and ethical solution?
- Is LGBTQ+ community participating on sportive events now a days?
- What advantages and disadvantages the world will have , after accepting LGBT+ community in sports?

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## **Topic B Safety of athletes in the context of armed conflicts**

We live in an unpredictable world and since ancient times, there have been various conflicts between nations for different interests of a political, religious, or cultural nature. However, throughout these years, the sport has served as a tool for peace. All of them bring multiple benefits such as effort, self-improvement, perseverance, equality, health, respect, and solidarity.

According to the UN (2015), there is a Greek tradition called "ekecheiria" in which war conflicts were temporarily suspended, so athletes could participate in the Olympic Games held in a peaceful and safe environment. In 1992, the International Olympic Committee continued that tradition, calling on all countries to observe the Olympic Truce. In addition, the General Assembly urged the Member States to uphold this Olympic peace. Since then, support for the Olympic Truce has grown steadily to unprecedented and unanimous co-sponsorship.

Currently, the Olympic Truce has functioned as diligence to build a better world based on the rules of fair competition, humanity, and conciliation. Furthermore, it is a link between this ancient tradition and the overall goal of the United Nations to maintain peace and security among nations.

On the other hand, there are precedents where the safety of athletes had been affected, such as the event known as "Black September" that occurred in 1972, where 11 Israeli athletes were killed during the Munich Olympics. On September 5, a commando of 8 terrorists forcibly entered the apartments of the Israeli Olympic team in the Olympic village. During the assault two of the athletes were killed and the terrorists took nine hostages. The games were immediately suspended. A few hours later, the German security forces decided to intervene in a rescue operation that turned out to be disastrous. All the hostages, five terrorists and a policeman were killed. After an intense discussion, the IOC decided that the games would continue with the realization of a ceremony of remembrance and tribute to the murdered athletes.

In the current environment, the conflict between Russia and Ukraine presented as a consequence, a breach of the Olympic Truce, since it began on Friday, February 4 of this year, seven days before the Beijing 2022 Winter Olympics, so it had to be extended until the end of March. According to the UN (2022), this event has registered more than 10 thousand civilian casualties, with an accelerated humanitarian deterioration, women in particular face immense difficulties in terms of health, safety and access to food. In addition, this situation has negatively fueled a displacement crisis in Ukraine of a quarter of the population with twelve million people. Furthermore, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution condemning Russia's invasion of Ukraine in an extraordinary emergency session. The document was ratified by 141 of the United Nations' 193 member countries. The text "condemns" Russia's aggression against Ukraine and "demands" that Moscow put an end to it and withdraw its troops from the neighboring country immediately and unconditionally. However, the resolution is not binding.





The IOC (2022) was forced to take action for the safety of athletes coming from both countries. They made an important announcement, saying: "Of all the participants, the IOC Executive Committee recommends that the Federations International Sports and the organizers of sports events do not invite or allow the participation of Russian and Belarusian athletes and officials in international competitions." (IOC, 2022).

Lastly, despite the fact there have been events where the safety of athletes has been broken in different countries, the IOC uses sports as a way to fully protect athletes and not put them at risk while conflicts occur through the Olympic Truce. These types of events serve as an experience to reinforce the safety of athletes and use sport as a tool for peace which is a human right that should not be broken for any reason.

### Key questions:

- Is there any conflict in your country that compromises the safety of athletes?
- What does your country do to guarantee the safety of the athletes?
- What other measures besides the Olympic Truce could be taken to increase the safety of the athletes in your country?

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**PRESIDENTA:**

NOTA: a este contacto se tendrá que enviar la hoja de posición de los delegados.

**¡Mucho éxito, confiamos en que les irá increíble!**