

ICJ Members of GeMUN 2019 - Introduction letters

Judge Amorim

Honorable ICJ participants of the GeMun 2019 conference,

My name is Cecilya Amorim, and I will be serving as a judge in this year's conference. I'm seventeen years old and have taken part in two other past ICJ conferences, also as a judge. The conferences I have attended were a great success, and hopefully, this year will be even better.

I'm very excited to be joining the forum again this year and knowing both president and vice president, it will all run smoothly and have great accomplishments. As in some facts about me, I attend the International School in Genoa and have been part of

Model UN for four years. I've participated in conferences such as Thimun, GeMiniMun and many others. I wish you all advocates and judges the best of luck, and I can't wait to meet everyone. For any further contact, please contact me by emailing me on camorimcarvalho@isgenoa.it

Best regards,

Cecilya Amorim



Judge Bianchi

Honourable ICJ Judges,

My name is Bianchi Valeria and I'm attending the last year of high school at Liceo Linguistico Grazia Deledda, where I'm studying English, Chinese and Spanish. I served as a Delegate in both GEMuN

2017 and SPIMuN 2017 conferences ,where I had the chance to learn that there's nothing more important than cooperation and international dialogue in order to live in a fairer society where a better life quality is

achievable for everyone. During the twoconferences I had the chance to take part in, I met many new people from all over the world with whom I had the possibility to confront my views about international matters. This year I decided to take part in GEMuN conference as a judge since I was willing to experience GEMuN from a completely different perspective. I couldn't have made a better choice. When I attended the 2018 GeminiMuN conference I immediately understood that serving as a judge was an incredible opportunity which certainly helped me to understand the importance of making choices after a through analysis and debate of the given evidence. I'll surely put all my efforts in serving in the best possible way and I hope I'll be able to exceed your expectations.

Best Regards,

Bianchi Valeria



Advocate Chiappara

Honourable ICJ members,

My name is Arianna Chiappara, I am sixteen years-old and I am currently attending my third year at Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda, where I study English, Chinese and Russian.

I have always liked meeting people from all around the world and getting to know more about their culture and even their points of view on certain topics, as it often provided beliefs different from mine, sometimes changing my mindset as well.

This is why I chose to take part in GeMUN from my very

first year of high school. I served as a delegate twice, in the Food and Agricultural Organisation in 2017, and in the Environmental Commission in 2018; I must say that I extremely enjoyed those experiences, and made treasure of what they taught me, for example listening carefully to other people's opinions before speaking up for what a single individual thinks is good.

This year I challenged myself and joined the ICJ to try to become an advocate, carrying my dear friend and colleague Chiara Tacchini with me in this adventure. We worked hard on the case we were assigned for GeMiniMUN in November, and even though we were rivals at the trial, we made a great teamwork and managed to get to the conference all in one piece and to have a stimulating debate.

Even though being an advocate could be stressful at times, it gives a great sense of satisfaction once you stand before the Court and speak for your State, regardless of the final verdict. Furthermore, the ICJ provides an environment I had never experienced before in a GeMUN committee, and will introduce you to the International Justice Field, which one day may even become your job if you grow passionate about it.

I may not be a professional advocate, but I surely will do my best in order to try to make this session fruitful and high-levelled, hopefully resembling the real International Court of Justice's one.

Best regards,

Arianna Chiappara



Judge Furci

Dear members of ICJ,

My name is Cristina Furci and I'm currently attending the fourth year at Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda, where I study English, Chinese and German.

I've been living in Canada for the past 5 months: this experience has truly helped me in terms of confidence, growth and independence.

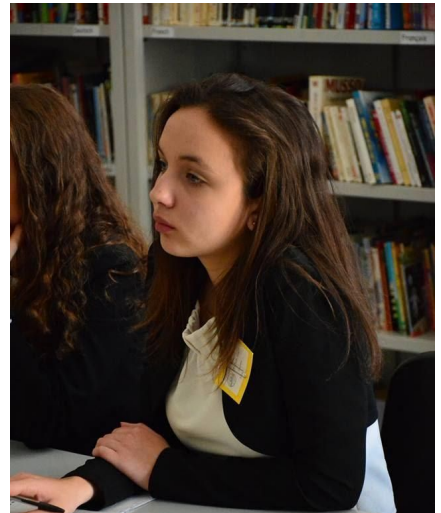
I'm very grateful for the opportunity that I've had, because it let me deepen my knowledge of English and it made me a more open-minded, flexible person.

In the past two years I took part in GeMUN as a delegate in the Disarmament and International Security Committee and as a judge in ICJ. Having always been interested in law, being a member of ICJ was an intriguing and extremely engaging experience: last year we tackled very important worldwide issues and I look forward to trying to solve this year's new dispute.

Being the topic of GeMUN this year "Equality and Justice", I'm even happier to be an ICJ member: I strongly believe we can and should do what's within our power to make the world a more equal and fairer place, where neither discrimination nor inequity are accepted and tolerated.

Best regards,

Cristina Furci



Co-President Gaggero

Dear GeMUN participants and ICJ members,

My name is Nicolò Gaggero, I am 16 years old and am currently attending 11th grade at the International School in Genoa. This year, I will participate in GeMUN 2018 as deputy president of the International Court of Justice.

During my Model United Nations experience (as far as limited), I have participated in the last three editions of GeMUN, as well as CGSMUN. This year, I will also participate in ThiMUN for the second time. This is my third year taking part in ICJ at GeMUN, but I am sure this will be the best one yet!

Model United Nations has helped me develop

communicative and social skills, as well as improving my understanding of current events and issues. It has quickly become an important part of my high-school experience.

I am enthusiastic about ICJ, and I hope to acquire new skills and learn more about international relationships.

Kind regards,

Nicolò A. Gaggero



Advocate Krishna

Esteemed GEMUN Participants,

My name is Varun Krishna. I am a sophomore at the American International School of Chennai, and will be participating as an advocate in the GEMUN ICJ. I have been to five MUN conferences throughout my time as a delegate, this conference being my sixth. This is my first year as a participant in the International Court of Justice, and my second Europe-based MUN conference. To me, MUN is somewhat of a simulation of how we as humans must responsibly seek out solutions to global issues. Efficiency, elegance, and empathy, all of which are key to shaping solutions that will stand the tests of time and trouble. My involvement in the ICJ is sure to teach me more on the matter of justly handling crime, which I very much look forward to. On behalf of my school, our MUN club, and the AISC delegates, I would like to wish all attendees of GEMUN the best of luck in their respective committees. I hope for an enriching conference, and to learn and impart the skills needed for the leaders of tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Varun R. Krishna

Judge Mantelli

Honorable ICJ members,

My name is Alice Mantelli and I'm a seventeen-year-old student attending Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda where I study English, Chinese and Spanish.

GeMUN is a prestigious conference that I'm enthusiastic to attend. Although I've only took part in GeMiniMUN 2018, this conference is an experience that I would benefit a lot from. GeMiniMUN has already allowed me to grow an interest in politics and international relationships, to get more confident in debating, public speaking and to develop communication skills.

Therefore I believe GeMUN would truly help me in grasping world issues while having the experience of a lifetime.

Particularly, being a judge in the ICJ committee will provide me with a broader perspective, and help me become a more confident, knowledgeable and self-aware individual.

I hope that by putting all my efforts in the role of judge I can exceed your expectations, and live a memorable experience I will always remember.

Sincerely,

Alice Mantelli



Judge Mantero

Honorable ICJ members,

My name is Chiara Mantero, I'm a seventeen-year-old student and I'm currently attending my fourth year at Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda, where I study English, German and Russian. I've been taking part in GeMUN since 2017, always serving as a Staff member. I've always considered GeMUN to be a magnificent opportunity for us kids



to speak out, and to become conscious of the fact that, we, as new generations who represent the future, have a certain responsibility regarding the world we live in, a responsibility that we can not ignore. However, I've never plucked up the courage to actively take part in GeMUN, until this year, when I've first taken into account the possibility to serve as a Judge in ICJ. I've always been attracted to this kind of activities involving Justice, and the idea of being able to represent it and actually make a difference thrilled me, therefore I thought I might be suitable for the role and GeminiMUN 2018 actually proved it. It was a really demanding experience, but nevertheless very satisfying: I had the chance to prove myself, for the first time I felt I was realizing something concrete which rewarded every single effort I put into it. I hope I managed to convey at least part of my enthusiasm and convince you of my capacities. I'll certainly do my best to fit in properly with this role.

Best regards,

Chiara Mantero

Judge Morgavi

Dear GeMUN participants,

My name is Caterina Morgavi, I am seventeen years old and a fourth-year student in Liceo S.S. G.D.Cassini in Genova, where I live.

This year's GeMUN marks the first time I take part in the conference, but I had been interested in GeMUN for quite some time before participating. I couldn't be happier about my decision, and after the wonderful experience of GeMiniMUN I am even more excited about my participation as a Judge in the GeMUN International Court of Justice.

After all, I am keen on challenging myself and improving, as well as learning and discussing about the current political landscape and events; I am so thankful of this great opportunity to do so.

Kind regards,

Caterina Morgavi



Judge Prossen

Dear GeMUN participants,

My name is Chiara Prossen, I'm 17 years old, and I'm attending my fourth year of high school in Liceo Cassini, here in Genoa.

This GeMUN will be my fourth MUN conference, however it will be my first one in the International Court of Justice.

I am looking forward to be taking part in such an interesting and stimulating experience, as we will be dealing with extremely relevant topics.

I hope to see you all soon at Gemun 2019 .

Kind regards,

Chiara Prossen



Judge Ratto

Honorable ICJ members,

My name is Eva Ratto and I am an eighteen-year-old student from Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda, where I study English, Russian and German.

I took part in GeMUN 2016, in which I served as an ICJ Judge in the International Court of Justice.

Taking part in my first MUN Conference has been demanding, but really interesting and useful.

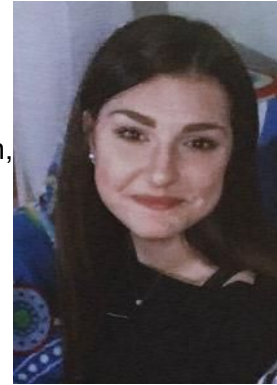
I had the chance to meet people from all around the world and debate with them on some of the most important global issues and unsolved trial, creating an international dialogue that I had never experienced before in my life.

Last year I was the co-president of the ICJ and that experience helped me a lot to grow as a person and as a student.

This year I decided to apply again as an ICJ judge. I will do my best to fit in with this role.

Best regards,

Eva Ratto



Judge Ruggiu

To whom it may concern,

I am Rebecca Ruggiu. I am currently attending my 12th and last year at Deutsche Schule Genua. Although all subjects are taught and tested in German, I speak fluently Italian, English and French.

I have been delegate in different committees in my home town in 2016, 2017 and 2018, and this gave me the priceless opportunity

to meet and understand interesting people from all around the world some of which are long standing friends.

This year I finally decided to take part in something which will help me choose a right course of studies and my future career. I am planning to undertake the legal career and it would be a great joy to participate as an ICJ member in this year's GeMUN.

I believe my contribution to the Conference would not only benefit me but also the discussions as a whole. I'm a very good listener and I am deeply interested in political issues of this matter. I like working independently and trying to solve difficult problematics. My experience at GeMiniMUN taught me that it is imperative to this kind of conference to look at problematics from different perspectives, to develop an objective point of view, and within that, to think independently.

I am really looking forward to cooperating as a team with the other judges and hope to be given the opportunity to prove myself at GeMUN 2019.

Thank you for your time,

Rebecca Ruggiu



President Scali

Dear GeMUN participants,

My name is Beatrice Scali and I am an eighteen-year-old student from Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda, where I study, among other subjects, English, Chinese and French. This year I'll have the privilege of serving as president of the International Court of Justice, which will hopefully grant me the opportunity to put everything I learned from being an ICJ member to good use.



The International Court of Justice is the main judicial organ of the United Nations; since its establishment, in 1945, it has settled over a hundred and fifty disputes between states, possibly preventing just as many wars: the ICJ has been showing the world that conflicts can and should be solved through diplomacy, rather than bullets.

During our Conference, a real pending case is discussed: Advocates from each Party have three days to convince the fifteen Judges of the rightfulness of their country's requests; once this time has elapsed, the Court is called upon to reach a fair verdict, which is only revealed at the time of the Closing Ceremony.

When I started off my MUN career, in 2015, I had never heard of the ICJ: all I knew was that I didn't want to miss the chance to take part in something as special as GeMUN, so I decided to serve as a Delegate.

The following year I joined the ICJ quite by chance, and I never went back to conventional Committees.

Since then, I've had the honour of serving as a Judge three times, a role that taught me that being vocal about my opinions is important, but making sure that I'm thoroughly informed before forming one is essential.

Last year I represented the United States against the Islamic Republic of Iran: serving as an Advocate has been demanding, but highly rewarding; a truly formative experience.

GeMUN 2019 will be my last MUN Conference, but the first as an Officer, which makes me feel extremely honored and thrilled at the same time.

If there's something I learned from MUN Conferences, it's that any role can be equally fun and challenging if undertaken with the right attitude: make sure you have an incredible GeMUN experience.

Best regards,

Beatrice Scali

Advocate Seo

Honorable GeMUN 2019 Delegates and Student Officers,

My Name is Min Wook Seo. I am a sophomore at the American International School of Chennai, and will be participating as an advocate in the GEMUN International Court of Justice. Throughout my journey in MUN, I have participated in four conferences and this would be my fifth conference. I have never been in the committee of the ICJ, and is my first time this year in GEMUN to participate as the advocate of the United Arab Emirates. I feel like MUN to me is a place where students are able to learn about the international crisis and get ideas and knowledge to solve the ongoing crisis. Being Versatile and collaborating with peers is the key way to contribute to the community for solutions allowing more ideas and awareness. Participating in ICJ will allow me to open and explore different attributes in the UN and enhance me to create solutions and compromise with issue which I am really looking forward to do in this conference. I hope all GEMUN delegates, student officers, and supervisors to have a fruitful conference enriched with solutions and create international peace.

Sincerely,
Min Wook Seo



Judge Suresh

Dear GeMUN participants,

My name is Isha Suresh and I will be serving as a Judge in the International Court of Justice in this conference. I am 16 years old and am an 11th grade student at the American International School of Chennai. I began my Model UN career last year, and have participated in THIMUN in The Hague and CHEMUN XII in Chennai. As GeMUN 2019 will be my third conference, I hope to further build upon my knowledge of MUN and experience the ICJ for the first time.



Through MUN, I have learned so much not only about MUN and its procedure, but also about my strengths as a public speaker, collaborator, and international student. By encouraging me to critically research about issues that directly impact our world and advocating for nations that I reach expert knowledge of, the Model UN program has definitely pushed me to be more confident and prepared with my work. I have chosen to be part of the ICJ this year because it is a unique committee with well-thought-out procedure and a different style of debate. Hence, I look forward to a fruitful and constructive ICJ session this year in GeMUN 2019.

Best of luck to all the participants!

Sincerely,

Isha Suresh

Advocate Tacchini

Honourable ICJ members,

My name is Chiara Tacchini, I am fifteen years old and I am currently attending my second year at Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda, where I study English, Chinese and Spanish.

Last year I took part in GeMUN 2018 as the delegate of Switzerland in the Special Political and Decolonisation Committee and it was the very first MUN conference I participated in.



As soon as it was presented to me, the idea of taking

part in such conferences sounded extremely fascinating and appealing. My expectations turned out to be right. It was a great chance to challenge myself and meet young, passionate debaters from all over the world. Needless to say, it made me much more aware of my responsibilities as a global citizen and improved my knowledge on the issues facing our world today.

I firmly believe in dialogue as a step forward in the resolution of disputes and problems of any kind. However, thanks to MUN I have also realised that discussing such issues is just as important as listening to different points of view, and it is crucial in order to gain a better understanding of them.

This year I have decided to apply for the role of advocate at the International Court of Justice mostly because of my interest in Law and International Affairs, similarly to my dear friend and colleague Arianna Chiappara. As far as I can tell from my experience at GeMiniMUN 2018, ICJ represents a unique opportunity to view MUN conferences from a completely different perspective, as well as an occasion for personal development and acquisition of new skills.

Despite it being my first time in ICJ, I can assure that I will do my utmost to best fulfil this role and I share my hope that the debate will be a stimulating and fruitful one.

Best regards,

Chiara Tacchini

Judge Toscano

Honorable ICJ members,

My name is Maria Beatrice Toscano and I am seventeen years old.

I am a student at Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda where I study English, Chinese and Spanish.

I only took part in GeMUN 2018, in which I served as a delegate in the Disarmament and International Security Committee.

My experience in my first MUN conference has been really useful, because it gave me the opportunity to meet people from all over the world and share as a delegate my views on some of the most important issues our world has to face.

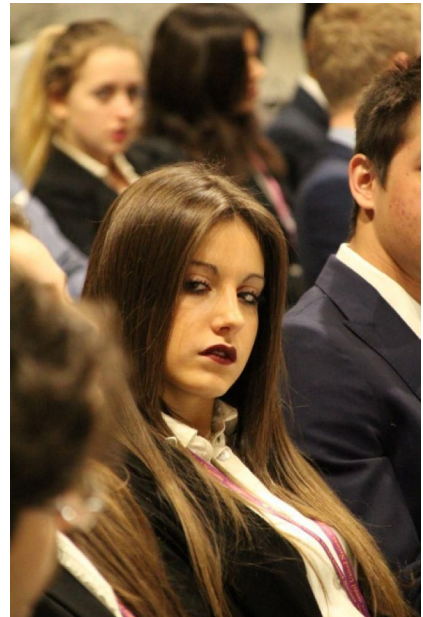
I decided to try and become a ICJ member because I wanted to challenge myself with something different and, to me, more intriguing.

In November, when I took part in GeMiniMUN, I realized that this conference was completely different from the other ones.

I learned to pay attention to the smallest detail and ponder on any possible consequence my decisions may lead to.

Best regards,

Toscano Maria Beatrice



Judge Venturini

Honourable ICJ members,

My name is Alessia Venturini. I am an eighteen-year-old student, attending Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda, where I study English, Russian and Spanish.

I took part in GeMUN, only two times: in 2017 I served as a delegate in the UNESCO Council while last year I served as a judge of the ICJ.

Taking part in a MUN Conference has been demanding, but really interesting and useful.

I am grateful to GeMUN since it gave me the chance to meet people from all around the world and helped me grow.

This year I would like to be an ICJ member again,

because I really enjoyed this experience and even if it has been challenging, I found it very inspiring.

I can't be certain that I'll be a good judge, but I can guarantee that I will do my best to fit in with this role.

Best regards,

Alessia Venturini

