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AGENDA

GENERAL ASSEMBLY *PD*

- The role of diplomatic organs in worldwide dynamics

SOCIAL, CULTURAL & HUMANITARIAN COMMITTEE (SOCHUM) *PD*

- The rise of populism and its impact on democracy
- The protection of vulnerable communities from radicalization
- Indigenous rights and traditional knowledge

ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL AFFAIRS COUNCIL (ECOFIN) *PD*

- Economic sovereignty and debt restructuring balance
- Tax-driven economic retaliation in power dynamics
- Public-Private partnerships for climate adaptation and mitigation

LEGAL COMMITTEE *PT*

- The right to peaceful assembly and expression in public order frameworks
- Legal status and rights of illegal children
- Privacy rights and press freedom in the digital age

COUNCILS AND COMMISSIONS:

SECURITY COUNCIL *DS*

- The Gaza emergency
- The democratic downfall and civilian rights crisis in Venezuela
- The humanitarian crisis in Sudan

UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) *DS*

- The intersection of economic, social, and environmental sustainability towards the 2030 agenda
- The role of early child education in breaking the cycle of poverty
- The crisis of public and social distrust in the scientific community

UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL (UNHRC) *DS*

- Responsibilities and obligations of Member States on refugees' human rights
- The employment of torture in juridical investigations and in prisons
- The right to bodily autonomy and integrity

International Court of Justice *PD*

- "Relocation of the United States Embassy to Jerusalem" (Palestine v. United States of America)

PROGRAMME

Legend

CC = Camera di Commercio

DS = Palazzo Doria-Spinola (Prefettura)

PD = Palazzo Ducale

PI = Palazzo Imperiale

PT = Palazzo Tursi (Municipio)

WEDNESDAY, 19 FEBRUARY 2025

What	Where		When	
	<i>Location</i>	<i>Room</i>	<i>Begins</i>	<i>Ends</i>
Registration	PD	Sala Liguria	10.30	16.30
Chair Workshop	DS	Sala Minoranza	08:30	13.00
ICJ Workshop	DS	Sala Maggioranza	08:30	13.00

THURSDAY, 20 FEBRUARY 2025

What	Where		When	
	<i>Location</i>	<i>Room</i>	<i>Begins</i>	<i>Ends</i>
Information and Help Desk Late Registration	PD	Sala Liguria	8.30	17.00
SOCHUM	PD	Maggior Consiglio	8.30	12.45
ECOFIN	PD	Minor Consiglio	8.30	12.45
ICJ	PD	Sala Camino	8.30	12.45
Security Council	DS	Sala Maggioranza	8.30	12.45
UNESCO	DS	Sala Minoranza	8.30	12.45
UNHRC	DS	Sala Consiglio	8.30	12.45
LEGAL	PT	Salone di Rappresentanza	8.30	12.45
Approval Panel	PD, DS, PT		9.30	15.00
Lunch Available	PD All Committees	Cortile Minore/Maggiore	12.45	14.00
Opening Ceremony	PD	Maggior Consiglio	14.00	16.00
Officer's Debriefing	PD	Maggior Consiglio	16.00	17.00

FRIDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2025

What	Where		When	
SOCHUM	PD	Maggior Consiglio	8.30	13.00
ECOFIN	PD	Minor Consiglio	8.30	13.00
ICJ	PD	Sala Camino	8.30	13.00
Security Council	DS	Sala Maggioranza	8.30	13.00
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SATURDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2025

What	Where		When	
General Assembly: SOCHUM, ECOFIN and LEGAL	PD	Maggior Consiglio	8.30	13.00
ICJ	PD	Sala Camino	8.30	13.00
Security Council	DS	Sala Maggioranza	8.30	13.00
UNESCO	DS	Sala Minoranza	8.30	13.00
UNHRC	DS	Sala Consiglio	8.30	13.00
Lunch Available	PD	Cortile Maggiore	13.00	14.00
Closing Ceremony	PD	Maggior Consiglio	14.00	15.30
Final Disco Party	PI	Salone delle Feste	20.00	24.00

LOCATIONS

PALAZZO DUCALE

Sala del Maggior Consiglio: SOCHUM / GA

Sala del Minor Consiglio: ECOFIN

Sala del Camino: ICJ

Sala Liguria: REGISTRATION

PALAZZO DORIA-SPINOLA (Prefettura)

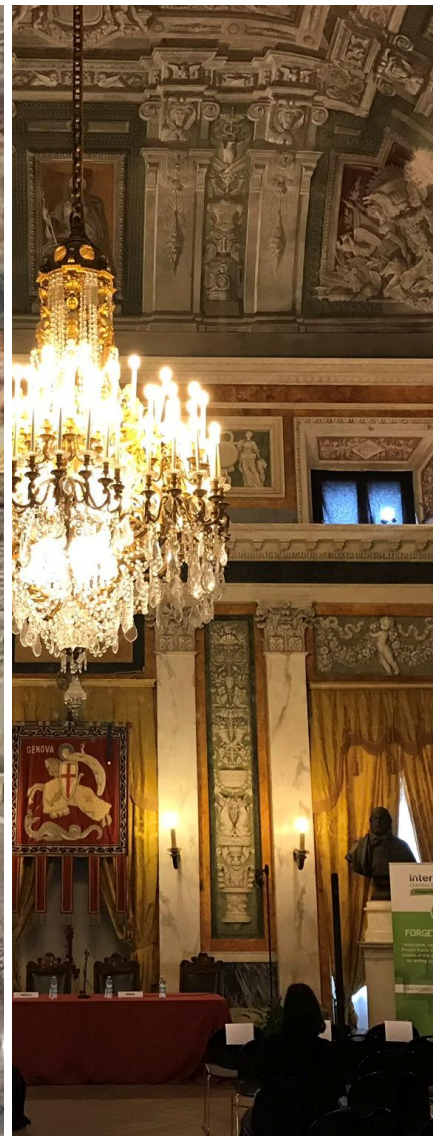
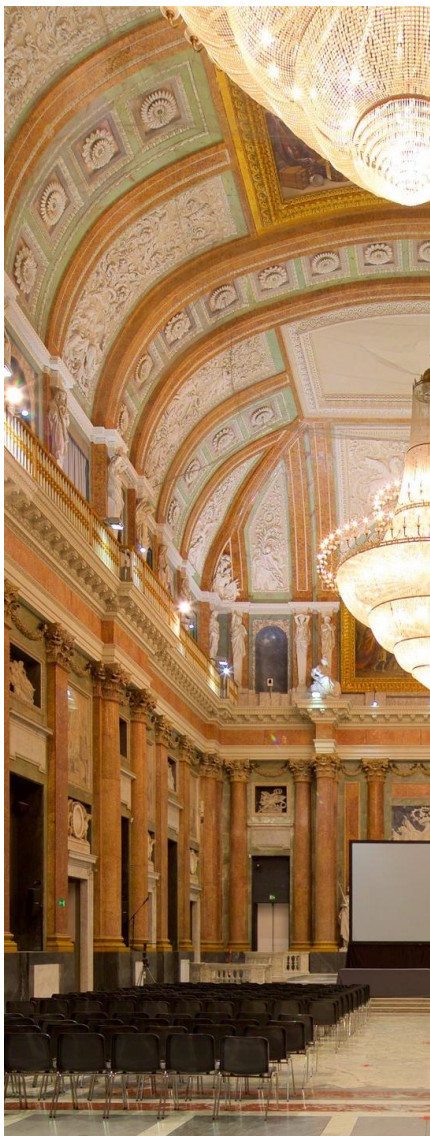
Sala di Maggioranza: Security Council

Sala di Minoranza: UNESCO

Sala del Consiglio: UNHRC

PALAZZO TURSI

Salone di Rappresentanza: LEGAL



DRESS CODE

Appropriate clothing and attire are required to take part in the Conference.

A formal suit or separate with a smart shirt, a tie or similar alternatives are accepted. In the case of a formal dress or skirt, the length must hit at or below the knee. Bright colours are strongly recommended against, as is denim.

Shoes must be elegant; while heels are allowed, avoid sneakers and sandals.

Delegates should not wear sunglasses or anything which draws unnecessary attention, including flags, slogans or logos.

The GeMUN Committee reserves the right not to admit those who are not dressed appropriately without any further justification.



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LETTER FROM THE SECRETARY GENERAL

Dear participants of GeMUN 2025,

My name is Emma Christensen, I am eighteen years old, and I am honoured to serve as Secretary-General for the twenty-second annual session of Genoa Model United Nations.

It is with great pride that I took on this role earlier last year, a position that has allowed me to fulfil my aspiration of sharing my passion for MUNs and the importance of international diplomatic relations.

After discussing and acknowledging many of today's pressing challenges, the Secretariat and I decided that it was urgent to focus on the underlying patterns within the current and ever-changing global dynamics. This led to the theme of GeMUN 2025: ***Breaking the Code***.

International relations are, at present, more complex than they have ever been. The intricacy of our modern world often makes understanding many, if not all, of the dynamics surrounding us seem like an insurmountable challenge. However, it is our duty to uncover the truths and mechanics of these dynamics.

In today's world, where diplomacy plays a crucial role in communication—whether between individuals or national representatives—the only way to make sense of this chaotic reality is by breaking down the schemes and underlying patterns that shape it. These may include endless negotiations, treaties and laws, historical events that continue to impact the present, obscured conflicts, perplexing political debates, vast amounts of data, or fascinating global phenomena.

We must act through diplomacy, always bearing in mind that each of us, in our own capacity, influences the world. The nature of that influence is what determines our collective future. Now more than ever, we must remain vigilant and deeply engaged in social and political discussions. This means rejecting shallow perspectives and instead committing ourselves to delve beneath the surface of what we see and experience. By doing so, we can work towards breaking the code for a successful, peaceful, and continuous global dialogue.

As the youth of today, we have a moral responsibility to engage more deeply with the world around us. I strongly believe that experiences such as MUN conferences are exactly what we need to enhance our skills and develop a broad portfolio of ideas and resolutions to address modern society's issues and crises. These conferences also give us the opportunity to present innovative perspectives and approaches to unresolved matters.

I am incredibly eager to witness these three days of debate flourish in February and to once again experience the cooperative atmosphere and thought-provoking discussions that GeMUN never fails to deliver.

Yours faithfully,
Emma Christensen
Secretary General



LETTER FROM THE UNDER SECRETARY GENERALS

Dear participants of GeMUN 2025,

We are Sofia Saccone, Age Tigrino, and Sara Torrisi, and we are honored to serve this year as Under-Secretary-Generals for the 22nd annual session of the Genoa Model United Nations. We are currently in our final year at Liceo Linguistico Internazionale Grazia Deledda and have had the privilege of serving and working together both as delegates and officers during our past GeMUN experiences. This year, our collaboration has reached its peak as we worked alongside our fellow Secretariat members to bring this conference to life.

The main theme of this year's edition, ***Breaking the Code***, invites us to reflect on the complex dynamics that shape our world today and to decode the patterns embedded within our society. We often say that history repeats itself, and perhaps it is true. Even though the scenarios we face are ever-changing, human nature remains consistent across time and place. These enduring traits lead to recurring cycles: violence, wars, power struggles, humanitarian crises, inequality, and other pressing issues.

The topics we developed in collaboration with the Secretariat aim to uncover the roots of these persistent challenges. By understanding the foundations of these issues, we believe we can discover the key to breaking these cycles.

This is especially vital today, as the tension between **"never-changing patterns and ever-changing dynamics"** becomes more evident with time. Our generation is left to address these unchanging cycles within a constantly shifting world, tasked with piecing together the fragments left behind. It is crucial for us to work together to untangle these knots and break the codes that perpetuate these challenges.

We deeply thank you for being part of this revolutionary edition of GeMUN.

Welcome to GeMUN 2025!

Yours sincerely,

Age Tigrino, Sara Torrisi and Sofia Saccone
The GeMUN 2025 Under-Secretary-Generals



LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENCY OF ICJ

Dear participants of GeMUN 2025,

We are Fatou Kine Ndoye, Matilde Virginia Benedetti, and Lucia Izetta, and we are honoured to serve at the 22nd edition of the Genoa Model United Nations conference as President, Co-President, and Registrar of the International Court of Justice.

We have each had very different experiences in GeMUN since our first year of high school, but somehow we all ended up in the same place, and we could not picture ourselves anywhere else. We could never have imagined the amount of work and effort it would require, but at the same time, we have been rewarded with an immense sense of gratification and fulfilment.

Being part of the ICJ is a unique experience: it forces you to step out of your comfort zone and see beyond the limits of your own beliefs. Law must be objective and equal for all, regardless of personal viewpoints, and it is extremely difficult to achieve this as adults, let alone as teenagers. How challenging is it to develop and defend arguments that differ from our own? To put ourselves in someone else's shoes, even if just for a couple of days?

At times, we forget that there is always more than one version of the same story. We all have our biases—it is part of human nature. However, being in the ICJ has taught us, as well as those before us, how to stop, listen, analyse, understand, and only then, judge.

Public opinion is, unfortunately, very easily manipulated, and the work and training we put into making the days of the conference as efficient as they are become personal skills that we internalize and apply in our daily lives. We are fortunate to be in a position where we can influence our peers and younger students. However, they also influence us, and we could not be happier to be surrounded by such intelligent, bright, hardworking, and self-aware people.

The world is changing so quickly, not always for the better, and it can be difficult to keep up without being overwhelmed by the system. We believe that in order to change the system, we must first understand it. We know how much we demand from the members of our Court, and we understand how draining it can be—trust us, we've been through it and still are. Yet, they have made us incredibly proud. They have learned to look at the bigger picture, to uncover the subtleties and nuances of international law, and they have often surprised us with their clever interventions. Most importantly, they have found joy, humour, and even the occasional meme within the apparent austerity of our courtroom.

It is our greatest pleasure to present the case we will be discussing this year: **"Relocation of the United States Embassy to Jerusalem."** This case concerns a dispute between Palestine and the United States regarding the relocation of the American embassy in Israel to Jerusalem and its implications within the special status of the city in the international legal framework.

We wish you an unforgettable GeMUN session. May this experience serve as an opportunity for personal growth. We look forward to welcoming you into our courtroom in February.

Yours faithfully,

Fatou Kine Ndoye, Matilde Virginia Benedetti, Lucia Izetta



LETTER FROM THE HEADS OF ADMIN

Dear Secretariat, Honourable Participants, Fellow Officers and Delegates, Indispensable Admin, and Press,

It is with immense pleasure that, after months of hard work, we welcome you all to the incredible Genoa Model United Nations 2025. Ever since GeMUN became a cherished tradition in our beloved city, our goal has been to bring people together and create a place where thoughts, opinions, and cultures can be shared, making you feel as though you've never left home.

To participate in GeMUN as members of Admin means being the backbone of an incredibly complex structure. It requires determined and resilient individuals who are willing to go the extra mile to achieve such ambitious goals.

Challenges, responsibilities, and obstacles are no burden to us because, throughout our GeMUN journey, we've learned to work together and cooperate to solve even the toughest difficulties.

Our primary concern is your safety and ensuring that these three days run as smoothly as possible. A member of our team will always be available to assist you with any issues or inconveniences, while also coordinating an efficient session.

Our efforts, however, began long before the conference itself. Over the past months, our team has met weekly to plan and perfect even the smallest details of this GeMUN edition. From preparing all the information in the handbook to organizing the materials you will use during the conference in the stunning palaces of Genoa's city centre, it has taken a tremendous amount of effort to make this event a reality. We sincerely hope you enjoy every moment of this incredible and unforgettable experience.

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to each GeMUN attendee, especially our MUN Directors, Eduardo Losada Cabruja and Daniele Orlando, for teaching us that success is achieved through hard work and dedication.

Additionally, we are grateful to work alongside the Secretary General, Emma Christensen. Last but not least, we wish to express our special appreciation for our fellow Admin members, without whom this project would not have been possible.

Yours faithfully,

Matilde Foti, Samuele Frustaglia, Elena Grasso



LETTER FROM THE HEADS OF PRESS

Distinguished Participants, Officers, Delegates, and Valued Members of the Press and Admin,

As the Heads of the Press Team for GeMUN 2025, we, Petra Porcu and Beatrice Perrino, would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone involved in making this 22nd session possible.

Our dedicated team of around twenty individuals, including reporters and photographers, has worked diligently to produce the GeMUN newspaper, manage our social media platforms, and create engaging visual content. We have also taken on the task of overseeing the event's graphic design, ensuring that all visual elements are cohesive and align with the overall theme.

We are deeply grateful to the MUN Directors, Secretary-General Emma Christensen, and the entire Secretariat for their unwavering support and invaluable contributions to GeMUN's success. We would also like to acknowledge the hard work of the Admin team, whose efforts have been crucial in ensuring the smooth operation of this event.

The experience at GeMUN is a testament to the power of collaboration, which lies at the heart of this international gathering. We sincerely appreciate the contributions of all participants, which have played a significant role in making GeMUN 2025 a success.

With great enthusiasm, we look forward to capturing and sharing the highlights of this remarkable event.

Best regards,

Petra Porcu and Beatrice Perrino



GENOA

Genoa is sincerely honoured to host an important event such as GeMUN and, at the same time, students from the whole world are lucky to have the opportunity to spend some days in our beautiful city.

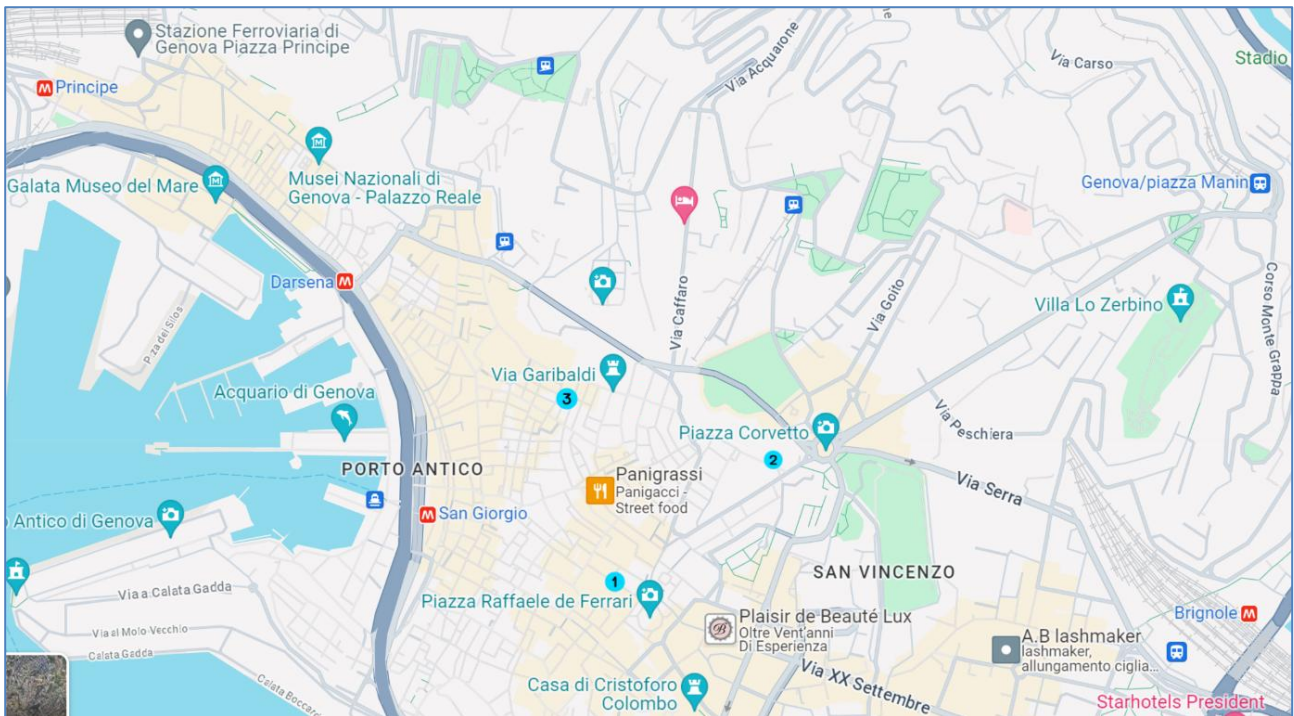
One of the most important ports on the Mediterranean Sea, Genoa is symbolised by its lighthouse: the landmark of the city; the aquarium, the largest in Europe; and the characteristic narrow streets, known as the "Caruggi" in the local dialect.

In Genoa, food plays an important role. If you want to eat the best focaccia in the world, go to Mario in Via San Vincenzo, in the centre. Instead, if you prefer dessert, you can take a walk in Corso Italia until you reach Boccadasse, where you can taste a delicious ice cream looking at the sea.



MAP OF GENOA

Genoa's city centre is a UNESCO world heritage site and, as already said, one of the most underrated cities in Italy. It has many marvellous attractions, from palatial baroque churches to incredible sea-side promenades and most people underestimate the true value of the city. Visit the website <https://www.visitgenoa.it> to learn about all the museums, churches, and palaces to visit in Genoa while you take part in GeMUN.



- 1 Palazzo Ducale
- 2 Palazzo Doria-Spinola (Prefettura)
- 3 Palazzo Tursi

On the map, the subway system is marked with the letter "M". There is also a stop in "Piazza De Ferrari", where Palazzo Ducale is located. The subway system connects Piazza De Ferrari with the two biggest railway stations in the city: Genoa Piazza Principe and Genoa Brignole. There are also some of the most beloved tourist attractions, for instance Via Garibaldi or Christopher Columbus' house. While tourists mainly come to see these attractions, there are many that are not marked on the map. As already said, we recommend visiting the website <https://www.visitgenoa.it> if you'd like to visit this wonderful city.