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I am enclosing an invitation received to participate in the Asia-Pacific International Model United Nations (APMUN) Conference 2012 from September 20-24 in Bangkok. APMUN is an exclusive 5-day simulation for university/college students hosted annually in Bangkok in collaboration with UN Regional HQ and various government institutions. The Conference will be supported by the Thai Government and Thai Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Delegates will gain insight into the working of the UN and dynamics of international relations by assuming the roles of UN representatives and members of other international bodies and national cabinets. There will be a special focus on sustainable development and Millennium Development Goals, ASEAN Regional Centre of Excellence on Millennium Development Goals (ARCMDG) and Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) have also collaborated for this Conference.

- 2. APMUN Secretariat has requested us to relay this information to educational institutions in India in case they are interested in participating. Registration for the Conference is now open and closes on June 20, 2012. The website for APMUN is www.asiapacificmun.org. A write-up on the APMUN provided by the organizers is also enclosed.
- Information regarding this Conference may kindly be passed on to relevant educational institutions in India.

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Subject: Invitation to participate in the Asia-Pacific International Model United Nations (APMUN)
Conference 2012, Bangkok, Thailand

Dear Sir/Madam.

It is our pleasure and honor to introduce to you the Asia-Pacific International Model United Nations (APMUN) conference and to officially invite students from your institution to take part in this unique cultural and educational experience, which will offer young people the possibility to touch first-hand the object of their international studies.

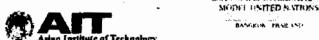
Asia-Pacific International MUN is an exclusive five-day simulation for university/college students hosted annually in Bangkok in collaboration with UN Regional Headquarters and various governmental institutions. APMUN aims to gather students from the five continents offening a higher-level atrium of dialogue and debate between culturally-diverse leaders, with the UN building as backdrop.

APMUN arises from the experience by the ASEAN Regional Center of Excellence on Millennium Development Goals (ARCMDG) in collaboration with the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) and its 50-year academic experience.

AIT is headquartered in Bangkok, Thailand, and it is a quintessentially international institution of engineering and technology, environmental resources and development, and management, dedicated to world-class higher learning with an Asian perspective. AIT is the first and only institute of higher learning of its type granted with an International Intergovernmental Organization status. Moreover, it has been designated by the United Nations Secretary-General H.E. Ban Ki-moon as the permanent site of the world's first Regional Centre of Excellence on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs); dedicated to the promotion and achievement of the MDGs in South-East Asia through education and training.

APMUN delegates will gain insight into the working of the United Nations and the dynamics of international relations by assuming the roles of UN representatives and members of other international bodies and national cabinets, as well as press officers. The Asia-Pacific MUN has a special focus on sustainable development and the MDGs.

APMUN represents an exciting opportunity for students to discuss issues that confront world leaders and to draft resolutions in response to global issues. During the conference, students will learn the importance of balancing national interests with the needs of the international community, while also learning about the power and limitations of international negotiations. Leadership, critical analysis, public speaking, persuasion, negotiation are the main skills that students will acquire through their participation to Asia-Pacific International Model UN, where delegates will also have the chance to build strong new friendships that span across the globe.





APMUN makes students closer to the current international issues, making them aware of the importance of fast, efficient and strategic solutions, and contributes to prepare the new future leaders.

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For this year APMUN 2012 is scheduled to take place in Bangkok, from September 20-24, 2012. Your participation would be an invaluable contribution to the conference and we will do our best to make this opportunity possible for you. Please visit our website at <a href="www.asiapacificmun.org">www.asiapacificmun.org</a> and relay this communication to students from your institution whom you think might be interested.

Registration for the conference is now open. Regular registration closes on June 20th, 2012.

Students will be academically supported by our Conference Team and through a Delegate Guide to facilitate the understanding of the rules, style, goals of Model UN, and the research methods.

For any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you in advance for your kind attention and support.

Looking forward to meeting you in Bangkok next September for APMUN 2012.

Sincerely,

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