## Committee Preferences: How They Work, and What You Should Choose

When you sign up for an MUN conference, selecting your committee preferences is a critical step that significantly shapes your overall experience. This process determines which committee you'll be a part of, so it's essential to understand how it works and how to make strategic choices. Think of it as a first step that can make or break your conference.

## **How the System Works**

You'll receive a list of all available committees and be asked to rank them in order of preference (3 preferences). This data is then used to satisfy as many top choices as possible across all participants. Our team begins by attempting to place everyone in their first-choice committee. If a committee reaches its capacity, we move on to place delegates in their second-choice committees, and so on. This method ensures that delegates are placed into committees that align with their interests as much as possible, maximizing satisfaction and engagement for the majority of participants. It's a smart, fair way to ensure everyone gets a good fit. However, one must note that the experience level of delegates is also considered while allocating committees, to ensure each individual can participate in a fruitful and engaging debate.

## **Tips for Making Your Choices**

Being strategic about your committee selections can greatly improve your chances of a positive outcome. Some committees are historically more popular or competitive than others. While you should absolutely list a highly competitive committee as your top choice if you're passionate about it, it's wise to include a less-competitive but still appealing option as your second or third preference. Remember to research all the committees and their topics to make informed decisions that reflect your genuine interests and goals for the conference. Taking a few extra minutes to research can make all the difference.