



BERMUN PLATFORM

Release Form/Terms of Agreement

BERMUN is pleased to announce the launch of a new MUN Platform that will enable participants to lobby, debate, share information and communicate with other participants during the upcoming BERMUN conference.

The platform was designed for BERMUN and is hosted and accessible only by the platform’s programmer and the BERMUN Organizers. The platform itself does not share any personal details or created content with other third parties. The platform is only accessible by users through exclusive access codes provided by the BERMUN Directors. Each student will receive a randomized password to be kept confidential. Meanwhile, the platform will incorporate the video conferencing software Zoom which students do not need to sign up for a separate account.

BERMUN is organized by the John F. Kennedy School Berlin, and students are expected to follow the school’s code of conduct while on the platform. Students using the platform must do so responsibly regarding language, images, and content. **Unacceptable behaviour includes, but is not limited to:**

- **Using profanity and racial, sexist, religious and ethnic slurs**
- **Being involved with bullying, mobbing, etc.**
- **Taking screenshots/videos of other participants for distribution or publication on social media or other purposes**
- **Posting inappropriate images and using inappropriate language**
- **Posting information about others without their permission**

If students witness or experience any inappropriate behaviour, students should take a screenshot and submit them on the platform’s “report inappropriate content” links and/or directly to the presiding student officer or BERMUN Directors. The BERMUN directors will investigate and follow up accordingly. Any student found to disregard the guidelines, may be removed from the platform and further action will be taken as needed.

With your signature you are also granting permission to BERMUN and those authorized by BERMUN to interview, videotape and photograph your child at the BERMUN conference. Further, we are informing you that your child’s personal data, such as the name, school and country of residence, will be used for conference materials (such as certificates, programs, etc.). Data such as date of birth and citizenship are used for internal statistical purposes only. No data will be shared nor will any data be sold.

NAME OF SCHOOL: _____

I have read the terms of use and agree to follow the communication guidelines when using the platform.

STUDENT NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
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I hereby consent to my child being interviewed, photographed or videotaped at events hosted by the Berlin Model United Nations (BERMUN). Furthermore, I consent to the publication, exhibition or reproduction of any such interview material, photographs or videotapes to be used for public relations, news articles or telecasts, education, advertising, inclusion on the BERMUN and social media websites or any other purpose. I, the undersigned, also consent that I will not seek compensation for my child’s participation herein. I consent to personal data being used and shared as listed above. I understand my right to withdraw my consent in writing at any time.

I have read the terms of use and consent to my child using the BERMUN communication platform.

PARENT NAME	SIGNATURE	DATE
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Terms of Use

By using the BERMUN Platform, you agree to the following terms and conditions and you consent to the collection and use of your information as outlined in the privacy policy below.

Limitations of use

BERMUN provides a communication platform which allows its users to lobby, debate, share information and communicate with other participants during the BERMUN conference. The following limitations apply:

- All correspondence is to be in English.
- During committee sessions, all private and group messages must be related to the conference agenda.
- Profanity and racial, sexist, religious and ethnic slurs are completely unacceptable. In cases where abusive language etc., is clearly evident, it will be brought to the attention of the Student Officer and the BERMUN Directors as well as the delegates' respective MUN directors.
- The BERMUN organizers need to ensure the continued, legal operation of the platform and will report users who promote illegal contents.
- BERMUN is not responsible for any emotional or real consequences of anything published on the platform.

Technical restrictions

Any attempts to compromise BERMUN's implicit or explicit security measures are forbidden. User scripts designed specifically to modify the behavior of the platform are not permitted. Any hacking or phishing activity aimed at securing unrightful access to user accounts is forbidden (and a crime in most countries). BERMUN may help law enforcement or victims of such activity identify the perpetrator(s) by passing on information such as names, IP's and contact information.

Privacy Policy - General principles

The MUN Platform user accounts are created by using the participants' first and last name. Students are given a personal access code by which they log in to the platform. Without your name and without your agreement, you will not be able to access or use the communication platform.

Personal data, chat and page contents will never be sold or given away to third parties for commercial purposes. First and last names of participants are used by BERMUN only to create user accounts. Chats are not considered private and are monitored by moderators. Students are unable to delete or modify their user account. The platform will imbed the video conferencing software Zoom but students are not required to have a separate account.

What information is collected and why?

The communication platform requires cookies to be stored to recognize users upon login.

With whom do we share information?

Chat and page content will never be sold or given away to third parties for commercial purposes. User information remains on servers stored in data centers in Germany. In cases when law enforcement authorities are involved due to illegal circumstances, harassment or threats, any chat history and page content will be shared accordingly.

How long do we keep your information (Data Retention)?

Page content and chat history are kept for the duration of the conference only and deleted one week after the conference ends.

Disclaimer

BERMUN disclaims to the fullest extent permitted by law all express, implied and statutory warranties. This includes, but is not limited to, warranties regarding security, reliability, timeliness and performance of the system. The BERMUN organizers may decide to change these Terms of Use and this Privacy Policy from time to time without notice. If we do, we will inform all users accordingly.