INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN SINGAPORE MODEL CABINET 2024

Dear Sir / Madam,

We would like to invite your institution to participate in Singapore Model Cabinet 2024, which will take place from **Wednesday 13 March 2024** to **Friday 15 March 2024** in Victoria Junior College.

Organised by Victoria Junior College in conjunction with the People's Association, this is the ninth edition of the conference. SMC was one of the first conferences in Singapore to combine different aspects of simulation conferences with a focus on policy-making. Fundamentally, SMC is a simulation of the Singapore Cabinet, the executive branch of the government and the highest national decision-making body present in our nation.

SMC aims to stimulate young people's interest in issues pertaining to Singapore. Participants will take on the roles of ministers in different ministries or representatives of statutory boards. They will discuss and craft policies which address current problems in Singapore in each of the cabinets. During the conference, there will be opportunities for the participants to interact with the actual policy-makers of the nation. This will give the participants greater insight into how decisions are made at the highest level.

Date	Time	
Day 1	0900 - 1000	Registration
(13 Mar)	1000 - 1115	Opening Ceremony
	1115 - 1700	Cabinet Sessions
Day 2	0900 -1700	Cabinet Sessions
(14 Mar)		
Day 3	0900 - 1115	Cabinet Sessions
(15 Mar)	1115 - 1205	Lunch
	1205 - 1400	Closing Ceremony

Please find the schedule for the conference here:

- Venue: Victoria Junior College
- Participation is **FREE**.
- Lunch will be provided on all days.

Instructions:

- Please note that slots are available on a first-come, first-served basis. We will accept up to a maximum of 20 representatives per school.
- All cabinets will be double-representative cabinets.
- Awards such as Best Representative, Outstanding Representative, Honourable Mention and Best Position Paper will be given to deserving pairs in each cabinet. The judges' decision is final and no protests shall be entertained. More details will be available on the SMC website in due course.
- Online training will be provided for those who are unfamiliar with the SMC rules of procedure and position-paper guidelines. This is optional. More details on the date and the venue will be provided at a later date.
- Only participants in proper attire (formal business attire or full school uniform with blazer and tie) will be considered for awards. Pairs from the same school should choose different cabinets as far as possible. We will try our best to allocate participants their cabinet of choice, but may not always be able to do so. Please note that the organiser's decision regarding the allocation of cabinets is final. We seek your understanding in this.
- Attendance will be taken at all sessions. If representatives do not have a valid reason (medical certificate, etc.), they will be considered absent. Representatives need to attend at least four out of six sessions to receive a certificate of participation. In addition, we will inform the school of your absence for accountability.
- As the conference will be fully funded by the People's Association, we request that schools ensure that your representatives can fully commit to the conference before signing up.
- More details will be available on our website in January 2024: <u>www.singaporemodelcabinet.com</u>
- To register, please fill up the registration form with the necessary details and email it to smc2024@vjc.edu.sg by Friday, 9 February 2024. Note that all correspondence for SMC 2024 will be through this email account.

We look forward to your participation!

Thank you.

With warmest regards,

The SMC Secretariat iGlobe (Global Affairs Society) Victoria Junior College