

LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

Hello Delegates,

Welcome to HAMUN 52! My name is Tejaswi Sriram and I am so excited to be serving as your chair for the United Nations Economic and Finance Committee (ECOFIN) this year!

I am currently a graduate student at the University of Texas at Dallas (UTD), where I am pursuing a double Masters in Human Development - Early Childhood Disorders and Criminology. I recently graduated from UTD with my Bachelor's of Science in Psychology and Child Learning & Development. I started participating in Model UN when I was in middle school, and began formally attending conferences in high school, meaning I've been a part of the MUN world for a decade now! My very first conference was with HAMUN, and it's where I instantly fell in love with MUN. From the strong sense of community to meeting new people and learning about real-world global issues, MUN has been such a meaningful and rewarding experience for me. I served as an officer for my high school's MUN program, and was also the VP of Public Relations & Outreach at UTD MUN. I also had the opportunity to chair at HAMUN 49 in SOCHUM and HAMUN 51 in UNEP, both of which I truly enjoyed. Currently, I volunteer as part of the staff and dais for collegiate and high school conferences. It's always such a fun experience to come back, volunteer, and see so many people passionate about the world.

I wanted to chair ECOFIN because I am passionate about global economic policies, and believe in the importance of international cooperation when addressing economic challenges and their impacts at the global, regional, and local levels. I am very excited to discuss with y'all the two topics for this committee: 1) Addressing the Financial Exclusion of Informal & Non-Traditional Labor, and 2) Distributing Resources and Economic Aid among Former States as a Consequence of Territoriality.

Finally, a few last minute tips: Research is key! The more you know about your country, the committee, and the topics, the more confident and prepared you will feel. It's also completely okay to be nervous, regardless of if you're a first-time delegate or a seasoned veteran (trust me, I still get nervous too!). I encourage y'all to push yourself to step outside of your comfort zones, especially when it comes to public speaking, because growth happens when you truly challenge yourself. And above all, have fun and enjoy the experience! HAMUN is an incredible opportunity to learn, grow, and make lasting memories.

I can't wait to see what y'all accomplish in committee. Feel free to reach out to me at any time with questions or concerns. Best of luck delegates!

Sincerely,

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