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Introduction

The G20, established in 1999 has since provided a platform where advanced and emerging economies come together to co-create sustainable solutions for promoting world economic stability & growth. Concerted & decisive actions of the G20, with its balanced membership of developed & developing countries has helped the world come out of the shadow of the financial & economic crisis.

India, one of the world's fastest developing economies has established its influence in the past G20 summits, by aiding in resolving differences over currencies, trade surpluses & deficits that have been the Achilles' heel to a smooth functioning world economy. In the words of the Indian Prime Minister "As the Indian economy moves to a higher growth path, and opens to the world, our stake in a stable, inclusive and representative global economic and financial system will only grow." Thus, India is set to play an ever-growing pivotal role in the G20.

Model G20 Summit

The G20 summits organized every year epitomise India's increasing role in creating & sustaining a stable, inclusive & representative world economy. The issues, problems & their solutions, outcomes have a long lasting impact on the world.

The complexity of the problems discussed require thorough understanding of the issues, and as students poised to take off as the leaders of tomorrow, it is important for us to develop the acumen to handle such complexities of ever-growing importance.

This G20 summit will equip the leaders of tomorrow to handle world-wide issues like those discussed in the G20, with the thoroughness & preparedness that is expected of us. It is proposed to share the recommendations of this summit with authorities suitably placed to take appropriate action on them.

Besides honing the understanding level and providing in depth knowledge, the summit will act as a crucial platform to bring forth the perspective of the youth towards some of the most critical global issues.



EVENT STRUCTURE

The event will be conducted in two phases. We will be inviting delegation from all the participating colleges. The delegation can be selected by the respective colleges through an internal selection process, guideline for which will be specified. Each delegation representing a participating Country will be consisting of three members: Head of State, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Minister of Finance.

There will be a host country which will be selected prior to the invitation for applications. The other 19 countries participating are (excluding the European Union):

G8 countries: Japan, the United States, Canada, Germany, Russia, the UK, Italy and France.

Emerging Countries: South Africa, Saudi Arabia, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, China, South Korea, India, Mexico, Spain and the Netherlands

The General Secretary of the UN, the Directors of the IMF, the World Bank (IBIRD) and the WTO will head the Chairpersons committee.

Round 1:

Participants will be required to create a position document on the theme: 'Global Debt Crisis: The World on Stranger Tides'.

For more details on position paper format visit download section of our website - <http://sjmsom-avenues.com/manthan/>

POSITION PAPER

The paper will be written by the participants and will have to be submitted to the Organizing Committee in advance. The paper will portray the delegation's position on the sub-categories of each delegate in a brief and concise manner. Position paper should be 2 pages maximum, so only main ideas should be developed. Participants will have the opportunity to further express and develop their position in detail during the actual negotiations.

Participants will also be asked their order of preference of the country they would like to represent in the G20 at this stage. In the event that their application is selected, the final allocation will be done on the basis of their preferences mentioned.



Round 2:

Based on their performance in the first round 20 teams will be selected for the second round where they will come down to IIT Bombay campus and discuss over three days on the summit agenda. From the delegations representing countries we will be forming three committees based on their position of responsibility. Three committees which will be established are:

- Chairpersons Committee
- Economic Sherpa Committee (Ministers of Finance)
- Political Sherpa Committee (Ministers of Foreign Affairs)

The discussions and negotiation will be happening across these committees over three days of the Summit. Discussion topics will be provided to the committees and the delegations are expected to come prepared with their positions in the issues to be addressed within their respective committees.

There will be discussions in each committee over the three days which will see delegates deliberating and negotiating over the table. There will be some common negotiation rounds as well where all the delegates will meet for common deliberations and addressing some common concerns requiring a collaborative effort.

Schedule

DAY 1

- Inaugural ceremony
- Lunch and Networking
- Workshops on negotiation methods by committee
- Meeting of the likes

DAY 2

- Knowledge dissemination session by industry experts
- Meeting of likes
- Lunch and Networking
- Meeting of the likes
- General Body Meeting

DAY 3

- Knowledge dissemination session by industry experts
- Meeting of the likes
- Lunch and Networking
- Final General Body Meeting
- Presentation of final communiqué and Closing ceremony



Sessions in Brief

Inaugural Ceremony

The event would flag off with a model discussion conducted by a group of eminent speakers. The aim of the same would be to voice up the thoughts of the celebrities / specialists on the topics to be discussed throughout the event and to provide a lead to the participants on the same.

Lunch and Networking

The aim of these sessions would be to develop networking among the participants and the specialists. It would act as a melting pot of ideas providing immense opportunities to share and discuss various views thereby widening the knowledge base and increasing in-depth knowledge of the topics involved.

Workshops on negotiation methods by committee

This workshop would deal with accustoming the participants with the nitty gritty of the upcoming discussions. It would also provide information about the code of conduct to be followed during the discussion.

Knowledge dissemination session by industry experts

These sessions would bring in experts who would discuss their views on the topics assigned for the meetings. It would act as a great platform to gain in-depth knowledge and develop a better insight about the issues to be discussed in the meetings.

Meeting of the likes

These meetings / conferences would bring together ministers from same departments on a common table and would involve constant deliberations and negotiations to reach some common view points on the assigned topics.

General Body Meeting

These meetings / conferences would aim to bring about common deliberations and negotiations among all the invited members and provide a platform to voice out views in a more impactful way.

Final General Body Meeting

This conference would form the most crucial part of the summit wherein final communiqué would be drafted.

Presentation of final communiqué and Closing ceremony

The closing ceremony would observe the eminent speakers presenting the final communiqué, expressing their thoughts on the same and declaring the overall champions of the event. It would also see the official closing of the ceremony in a grand way.



Event Guidelines

Guidelines & Structure of the event:

1. Participants from each college need to form a team of 3(+1) representing 1 head of state, 1 Finance Minister, 1 Foreign Minister, and 1 Researcher (optional). The Head of State, Finance Minister & Foreign Minister would have to come down to the IIT Bombay campus for the actual discussion rounds scheduled on Oct 14-16th. The Researcher is for assisting the other three in carrying out the research work needed to build sufficient awareness on contemporary macroeconomic & globally relevant key issues that will be discussed here.
2. The entire event will take place in 2 rounds – Online (Screening) & Offline (Actual)
3. During the Screening round, each team is expected to write a 'Position paper' on the theme which would be disclosed on Aug 15, 2011. Please refer to the guidelines and evaluation criteria in Exhibit 1.
4. A total of 20 teams will be shortlisted to participate in the offline round, at the IIT Bombay campus.
5. The shortlisted teams will be randomly allotted countries of the G-20, which they would represent in the Manthan Summit. Teams will get to know their country at the time when the list of shortlisted teams will be released. It is expected that you begin your research on that country before you attend the summit.
6. Please note that although multiple teams from the same college may register themselves and submit the position paper, only one team per college will be amongst the final G-20 teams.
7. Kindly register at: www.sjmsom-avenues.com/manthan ; from Aug 3, 2011



Timelines:

Event Launch	August 3, 2011
Declaration of topic for Position Paper	August 15, 2011
Deadline for submission of Position Papers	September 8, 2011 (extended)
Results of first round	September 15, 2011
Agenda for Mock G20 Summit released	September 16, 2011
Final Round on campus	October 14, 2011

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