

VII MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE

- VENUE AND DATE:** Fundación Botín. Pedrueca, 1 - 39003 Santander
6th March 2015
- PARTICIPANTS:** 248 Delegates (13-16 years-old) from 6 Secondary Schools representing 74 countries and 7 Non-state actors
- TOPICS FOR DEBATE:** **Millenium Development Goals**
Food & Agriculture Organization (FAO)
- **Goal 2:** Achieve universal primary education
 - **Goal 3:** Promote gender equality & empower women
 - Subtopic:** The Need of Environmental Education. Wildlife Extinction Risks from Climate Change
- World Health Organization (WHO)**
- **Goal 4:** Reduce child mortality
 - **Goal 5:** Improve maternal health
 - **Goal 6:** Combat HIV/AIDS malaria & other diseases
 - Subtopic:** Clean Water for a Healthy World. The Effect of Water & Sanitation on Child Health
- Economic & Social Council (ECOSOC)**
- **Goal 1:** Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
 - **Goal 8:** Develop a global partnership for development
 - Subtopic:** Light for All: Towards Achieving Universal Energy Access
- ROOMS FOR COMMITTEES:**
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| FAO: | Seminar Room – Third Floor. |
| WHO: | Assembly Hall-Ground Floor. |
| ECOSOC: | Multipurpose Room – Ground Floor. |

SCHEDULE:

- 09:30-10:15 **Opening Ceremony and Keynote address:**
- Secretary-General will open the conference (Ms. Inés Saiz Ochoa, student from IES Valle del Saja)
 - Representative from Fundación Botín (Mrs. Fátima Sánchez, Director of Education)
 - Representative from Consejería de Educación (Mr. José Luis Blanco López, Dtor. General de Ordenación e Innovación Educativa)
 - Keynote Address: A single agreed development agenda. The Millenium Declaration (Mr. Ricardo Losa, Ministerio de Asuntos Exteriores y Cooperación)
- 10:15-10:20 Break for setting-up Committees.
- 10:20-12:45 **Committee Session I. (FAO–WHO–ECOSOC)**
- 12:45-14:40 Working Lunches: each committee has 35 minutes for lunch.
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| 12:45-13:20 | FAO |
| 13:25-14:00 | WHO |
| 14:05-14:40 | ECOSOC |
- 14:40-16:40 **Committee Session II. (FAO–WHO–ECOSOC)**
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| 15:30-16:00 | School Advisor Feedback Meeting (Staff room)
(Teachers, Consejería de Educación and Fundación Botín) |
| 16:45-17:00 | Evaluation of delegations by committee
(Dais members and conference services) |
- 17:05 -17:30 **Closing Ceremony and Awards**

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Ricardo Losa Giménez, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation

Has a Master in European Law at the College of Europe in Bruges. However, after completing his studies, he opted for the Spanish Diplomatic Service and not for the European Union.

He entered the diplomatic service in 1998 and has developed positions in economic, cultural, political, humanitarian and cooperative diplomacy, in bilateral as well as multilateral missions. Among his multilateral positions, we can put forward his participation in the Paris Club (international debt between States) in 1998 and 1999, at the Commission on Human Rights in Geneva in 2001 and 2002, and his participation as Deputy Permanent Representative at the United Nations Program Environment Programme (UNEP) and at the United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNPOS-UNSOM) between 2011 and 2014.

Throughout his career, he served as a diplomat in The Hague, Geneva, Luanda, La Paz and Nairobi. In Madrid he was in charge of works related to economic diplomacy, media and technical organisms.

He speaks Spanish, English, French and Portuguese.

COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

Below are descriptions of the committees to be simulated at this year's conference. Please note that all committees are based on actual bodies within the United Nations system.



It's an intergovernmental organization, with 194 Member Nations, two associate members and one member organization, the European Union.

It works to meet the demands posed by major global trends in agricultural development and challenges faced by member nations. FAO creates and shares critical information about food, agriculture and natural resources in the form of global public goods. But this is not a one-way flow. It plays a connector role, through identifying and working with different partners with established expertise, and facilitating a dialogue between those who have the knowledge and those who need it.



Established in 1948, The World Health Organization (WHO), a specialized agency of the United Nations, is the directing and coordinating authority for health within the United Nations system. It is responsible for providing leadership on global health matters, shaping the health research agenda, setting norms and standards, articulating evidence-based policy options, providing technical support to countries and monitoring and assessing health trends.



The Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) is the United Nations' central platform for reflection, debate, and innovative thinking on sustainable development.

ECOSOC engages a wide variety of stakeholders –policymakers, parliamentarians, academics, major groups, foundations, business sector representatives and 3,200+ registered non-governmental organizations– in a productive dialogue on sustainable development through a programmatic cycle of meetings. The work of the Council is guided by an issue-based approach, and there is an annual theme that accompanies each programmatic cycle, ensuring a sustained and focused discussion among multiple stakeholders.