

Feedback from the MILMUN 2008 conference



- **About this Report**

With this report we present to you the feedback obtained from the questionnaires distributed to the participants of the Milan International Model United Nations 2008 conference. We hope the reader will gain a valuable insight into our activities.

- **Background**

The Milan International Model United Nations (MILMUN) conference was first held in 2006 and is Italy's first annual university level Model United Nations (MUN). It is organized entirely by students with years of experience in the MUN arena. In 2007 the MILMUN Association was founded, giving the organization a legal status.

- **The annual MILMUN conference**

The conference features the authentic simulation of selected bodies of the United Nations Organization. Students assume the roles of diplomats of the UN's Member States. Debating on current issues of international affairs, it is a great opportunity for participants to:

- 1) Improve their academic skills, including research and organization techniques;
- 2) Expand knowledge of international issues and conflicts;
- 3) Refine negotiations and debate abilities;
- 4) Develop diplomatic and leadership skills within a multi-cultural atmosphere.

The MILMUN 2008 conference featured the Security Council (UNSC), the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), the Disarmament & Security Committee (DISEC) as well as the reformed UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC). It was held for the third time in the picturesque location of Palazzo Clerici, right next to the "Duomo" cathedral.

- **Internationality:**

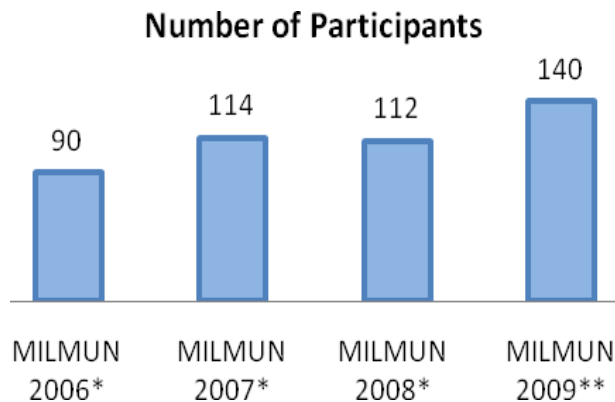
From 2006 to 2008 the MILMUN conferences have brought more than 300 students with more than 50 different nationalities and from over 60 universities to Milan, Italy. Students arrived from universities such as the London School of Economics (LSE), the HEI Geneva, Koç University Istanbul, the Universities of Nova Lisboa, Amsterdam, Athens, Salamanca and many more!

The MILMUN 2008 conference was kindly supported by:

*Università Commerciale Luigi Bocconi
Institute of International Political Studies (ISPI)
Municipality of Milan*

*Banca Popolare di Sondrio
Microsoft Corporation
The Coca Cola Company*

Detailed information on the MILMUN 2008 conference:



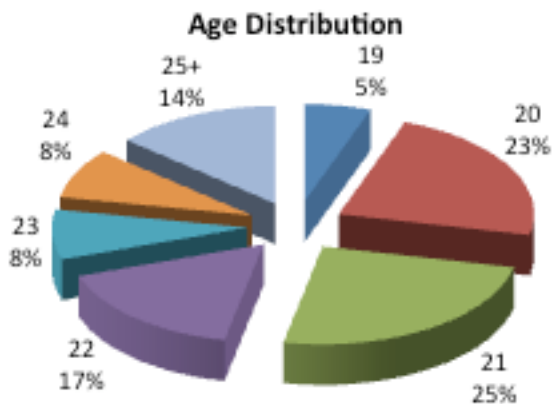
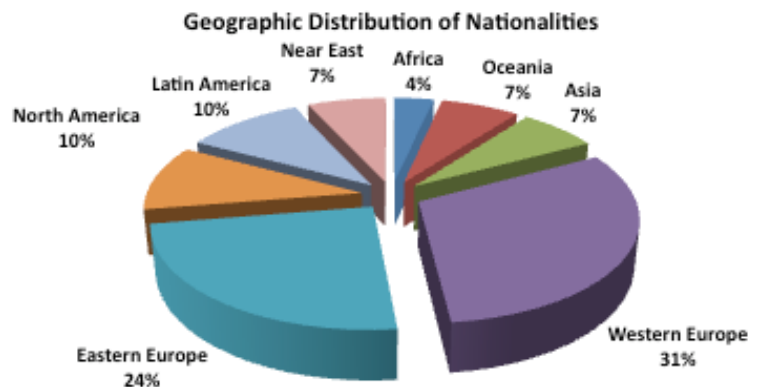
The number of participants at the Milan International Model United Nations conference 2008 stayed almost constant compared to the 2007 edition to reach a total of 112 young academics.

* This number includes all participants of the conference

** In 2009 we expect the conference to grow by 20% to 140 participants.

MILMUN 2008 kept internationality as a key goal! Delegates from **30** nationalities, from all parts of the world gathered in Milan.

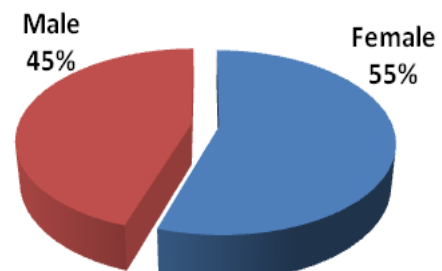
MILMUN 2008 also attracted students from **30** universities coming from all over the world.

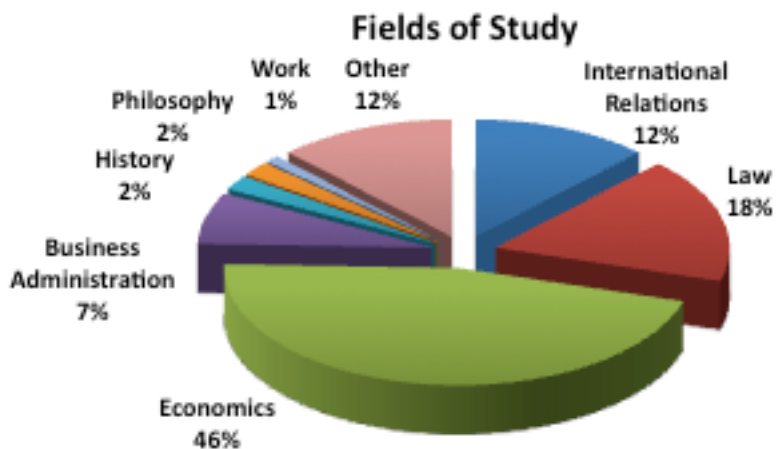


The average age of the MILMUN 2008 participant was 21.9 and thus roughly the same as in 2007.

There were slightly more female participants in 2008. This is in contrast with the numbers of the 2007 conference, where a 50-50 percentage was recorded.

Overall Gender Distribution

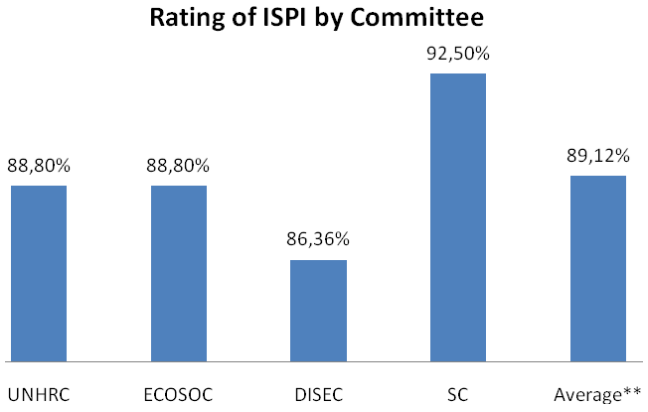
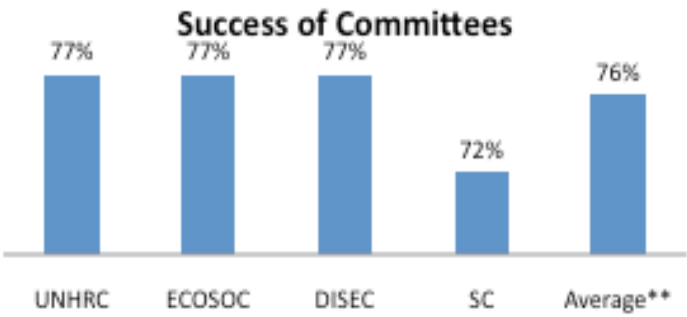




Great success in the variety of fields of students present at MILMUN:

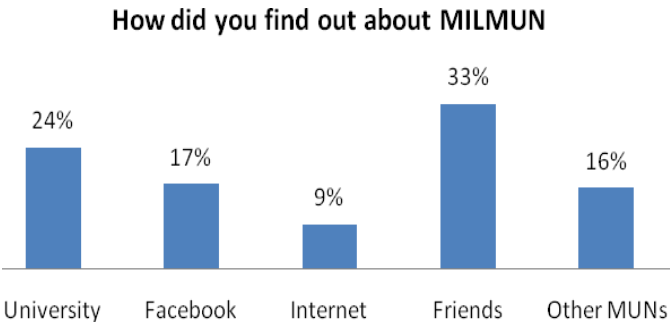
71% of delegates had backgrounds in the main fields of studies of Bocconi University.

More than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the participants were satisfied with their committee. This position includes the rating of the academic quality of the committee, fellow delegates, the chairs and the guest speaker.

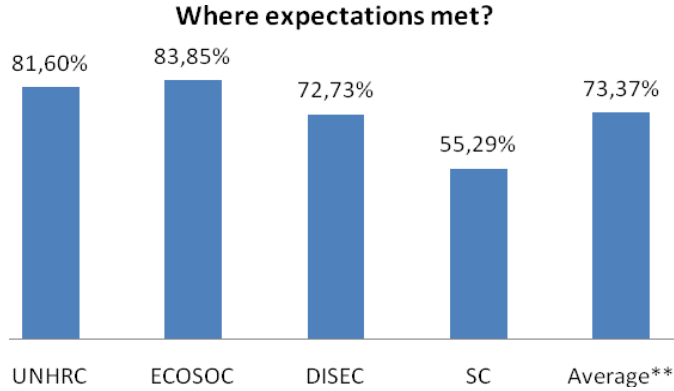


The conference venue at ISPI received high ratings (89%) for the third year in a row. Particularly the Security Council (SC), situated in the “Sala Biblioteca”, was visibly impressed with the Palazzo Clerici.

This year, the promotion of MILMUN depended mainly on mouth-to-mouth advertising by friends (33%), followed by information provided for by Universities. Very interesting is the high percentage (17%) that the social network “Facebook” achieved. We therefore plan to further increase our already strong presence in this field.



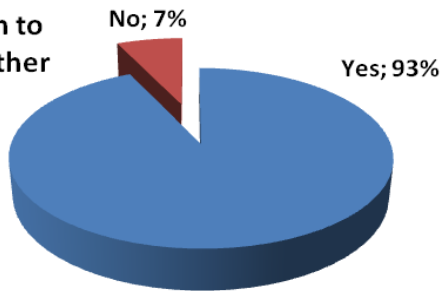
An average of 73% felt that their expectations of the MILMUN 2008 conference were met. Taking out the mediocre performance of the Security Council (SC), the average jumps to 80%.



A total of 93% of this year's participants plan to attend another MUN in the future!

More than 63% of the attending students are considering a Master at Bocconi University.

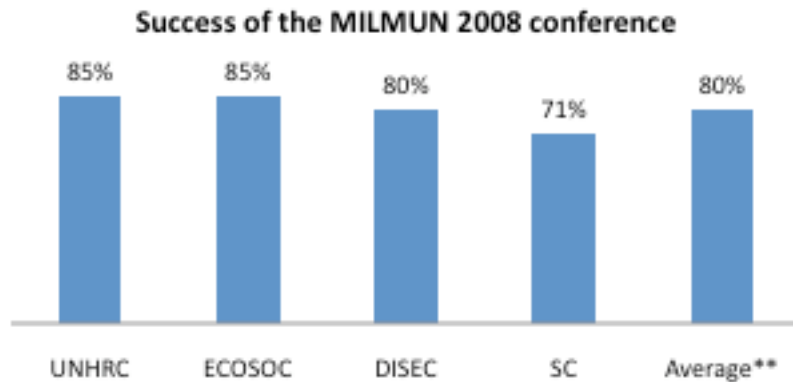
Do you plan to attend another MUN?



Would you consider a Masters at Bocconi?



A total of 80% was convinced that the MILMUN 2008 conference was a success! We are very happy to record such a high number for the question that matter most to us.



Nationalities and Universities present at MILMUN 2008

- | | |
|---|---------------------|
| 1. Bilgi University | 1. Albanian |
| 2. Bocconi University | 2. Algerian |
| 3. Erasmus University Rotterdam | 3. Australian |
| 4. Istituto Marangoni | 4. Austrian |
| 5. London School of Economics | 5. British |
| 6. London School of Journalism | 6. Canadian |
| 7. LUISS University | 7. Chinese |
| 8. Maltepe University | 8. Colombian |
| 9. Marmara University | 9. Croatian |
| 10. MGIMO | 10. Czech |
| 11. Queen Mary, University of London | 11. Dutch |
| 12. Simon Fraser University | 12. Ecuadorian |
| 13. Soka University of America | 13. French |
| 14. The Chinese University of Hong Kong | 14. German |
| 15. Universidad de Salamanca | 15. Hungarian |
| 16. Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore | 16. Italian |
| 17. Universität Heidelberg | 17. Lebanese |
| 18. Universität Leipzig | 18. Lithuanian |
| 19. Universität Mannheim | 19. Mexican |
| 20. Universität Regensburg | 20. New Zealand |
| 21. Universität Wien | 21. Romanian |
| 22. Universiteit van Amsterdam | 22. Russian |
| 23. University College Utrecht | 23. San Salvadorian |
| 24. University of Dundee | 24. Serbian |
| 25. University of Sydney | 25. Spanish |
| 26. University of Western Ontario - Richard Ivey School of Business | 26. Swedish |
| 27. University of Zagreb | 27. Swiss |
| 28. Wageningen University and Research | 28. Taiwan |
| | 29. Turkish |
| | 30. United States |