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COBIS U16 Debate Competition 2020 Terms and Conditions

The COBIS U16 Debate Competition 2020 will take place between 18-21 March 2020 in Bucharest, Romania.

Registration

Online registration will open from 11 September 2019 until midday (BST) on 25 September 2019. Schools that wish to participate in the COBIS U16 Debate Competition 2020, must register at www.cobis.org.uk/u16debate during the stated timeframe. Please ensure that you speak with students, parents and governors during the registration window, so that if you need to withdraw, you can do so before the end of the registration period.

Allocation of Places

- The maximum number of teams able to take part in this competition is 24.
- If more than 24 teams register, places will be awarded on a first come, first served basis.

Student Teams

- Schools should bring students who are under 16 years old (as of 1 January 2020). This competition is recommended for Years 7-10.
- Schools may bring a team of between four and six students.

Finance

- Schools must pay the deposit, balance and accommodation fees in a timely manner, in accordance with the timeline specified on all invoices.
 - The deposit invoice of £295 per school (registration fee) will be issued by the International British School of Bucharest during the week commencing 30 September 2019 and must be paid within 28 working days.
- If a school does not pay their deposit payment by the date shown on the invoice, their place will be revoked.
- If a school/student withdraws after 28 October 2019, the deposit will be retained.
- The deadline for payment of the remaining amount (participant fees) is 13 December 2019.

Travel and Accommodation

- Schools must not make any arrangements to travel to or stay in Romania until the delivery of the event has been formally confirmed by COBIS and the host school, this is subject to reaching the minimum number of participating schools.

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- Schools must take out the appropriate insurance policies in order to attend the competition; the policy should include travel, medical and cancellation insurance as well as anything else as required by your school or region.
- Schools must ensure that all participants' passports will be valid for a period of at least six months from the date of the competition.
- Students and staff travelling on a non-EU passport requiring visas are encouraged to apply for visas early as the process can take up to two months.

Cancellation

- COBIS and the host school reserve the right to cancel this event if insufficient bookings are received, or if travel to the host country becomes inadvisable.
- Schools must take out the appropriate insurance policies in order to attend this competition; the policy should include cancellation, travel and medical insurance as well as anything else as required by your school or region.

Data Sharing and Processing

- In order to administer this event, COBIS/the host school will collect student names, ages, dietary requirements and team photos, as well as passport details if required for visa support letters/accommodation reservations. Please ensure that you have obtained the correct consent from pupils or guardians when providing this information. COBIS may ask for evidence of this consent.
- COBIS will also collect lead teacher, head teacher and finance names and contact details. Information will be collected by COBIS via an online form created in COBIS' website (Finalsite). This data will be shared with the host school for the administration of the event. COBIS and the host school will have a data sharing agreement in place to protect the transfer of this information. This information will not be passed by COBIS to any other parties.
- Lead teacher and school contact details will be retained by COBIS for record keeping purposes. All other personal student data will be deleted after the event has taken place in line with COBIS' data retention policy. The host school will retain data and information in line with their data retention policy. To view the COBIS Privacy Policy, please visit www.cobis.org.uk/privacy-policy.

COBIS reserves the right to publish updated guidance and terms and conditions regarding this competition.

Should your school not adhere to these terms and conditions, your membership with COBIS may be subject to repercussions as determined by the COBIS Board.

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