



How to register

... as a team

1. Registration will take place through your institution (i.e. one institution = one registration).
2. Registration begins at 12:00 PM GMT February 16th and ends at 12:00 PM GMT February 18th.
3. Make sure you fill the n-1 criteria.
4. Find out how many spots you have been offered.
5. Registration fee is 300 eur per person, payment deadline is the 10th of March.

... as an adjudicator

1. Become the n-1 judge of your institution.
2. Apply as an independent adjudicator. Application process will open from the 13th of March and close on the 26th of March.
3. Become the n-1 judge of another institution. If this is the case, make sure that the slot has been fully paid by the deadline.
4. Registration fee is 300 eur per person, payment deadline is the 10th of March.

... as an observer

There will be a separate registration for the observers. We will keep you posted of the relevant deadlines via Facebook and our web page.

Registration process

Registration begins at 12:00 PM GMT February 16th and ends at 12:00 PM GMT February 18th. The exact time of registration is not taken into account as long as the registration happens when the registration window is open. Later registrations will not be accepted. The registration link will be posted on Facebook and our webpage (<http://tallinneudc.com>). The registration fee is 300 eur per person. The deadline for the registration fee payment is the 10th of March.

Procedure of team allocation

1. The whole list of applicants is checked for possible double-entries and non-eligible institutions. Such entries will be removed.
2. All institutions will be ranked according to their break average over the past three years and randomly within their brackets.
3. All institutions will be allocated one team.
4. After the list has been exhausted, a second team spot will be allocated to the institutions that wish to have a second team spot, starting with institutions that have a higher break average.
5. If there are any more available team spots, the same procedure will be repeated.
6. If at any point any discrepancies arise with the registration details (i.e. eligibility issues etc.), the registration team reserves the right to expel the teams that are affected by these issues.
7. Individual registration will begin on the 7th of June and end on the 14th of June.

Adjudicator registration

The $n-1$ adjudicator rule applies, where “ n ” is the amount of team spots that have been allocated to the institution, so for example, if an institution has two team spots allocated ($n=2$), then the institution must provide one ($n=2$, $n-1=1$) adjudicator and so on. Adjudication spots can be traded, i.e. filled by someone who does not study at the university that received the slot as long as the relevant payments are done in due time. The same deadlines for payments, registration details and everything else applies to the adjudicators as to the teams.

Overview of payment details

The registration fee for debaters and adjudicators is 300 euros per person. The deadline for the payments is the 10th of March. If full payment of a team spot has not reached us by 10th of March, we will re-allocate the spot to the next team on the waiting list.

Waiting list

Once a team on the waiting list has been offered a spot in the tournament, the team will have 2 weeks to pay their registration fee, starting from when they are offered the spot. If the team forfeits their spot or fails to pay the registration fee on time, the spot will be offered to the next team on the waiting list. This process will be repeated until all spots are taken and paid for. The waiting list will be publicly available to anyone.

Payment details

Beneficiary's Name: Eesti Vaitlusselts

Beneficiary's Account: EE602200221063120557

SWIFT/BIC: HABAE2X

Beneficiary's Bank Address: Swedbank AS, Liivalaia 8, 15040 Tallinn, Estonia

Payment info: EUDC2017, full name of institution (if paying for a certain individual, also that persons full name)

Invoices

Invoices are available for those who need them. In case you need an invoice, fill out the relevant parts in the registration form.

No pay, no tab policy

Teams that do not meet their respective payment deadline (either the 10th of March or 2 weeks since they were moved from the waiting list to the participants' list) will be cut from the tab. This policy will be strictly enforced as our team takes perverse pleasure in cutting teams that do not comply to the rules and deadlines of the tournament.

No refund policy

There are no refunds for teams that forfeit their team spots after payment or are removed from the competition by the organisers for any reason. The only exception to this is getting a refund in the unlikely event of a team being denied their team spot after the payment has been made because of misallocation problems.

Observers

There will be a separate registration for observers at a later time. We will keep you posted of the relevant deadlines via Tallinn EUDC Facebook and our web page tallinneudc.com.

Registration fee

The registration fee covers accommodation in the hotel during the tournament (6 nights), food throughout the tournament, logistics and other tournament related expenses. You will need your own cash (euros) for e.g. drinks at some socials, souvenirs, other things you want to do in Tallinn.

Accommodation

All participants will be accommodated in Pirita Spa Hotel (3*). The entire hotel is booked for EUDC, ensuring that the staff will be fully focused on the well-being of the participants of the tournament. All breakfasts will be served in the hotel. The hotel is situated next to the sea and is a short 20 minute shuttle ride from the competition venue. There are chartered buses to move the participants between the hotel, socials and the university.

You can find more info about the accommodation in here: <https://www.tallinkhotels.com/pirita-spa-hotel>

The organising committee aims to allocate participants into individual hotel rooms based on the institution that they are from but does not guarantee that every single participant will be able to share a room with only members of their institution. Roommate preferences can be expressed but will only be taken into account if possible.

What about participating in the tournament but not being in the hotel? There is no crash offered. Full registration fee will be applied to everybody, including participants who choose to not use the official accommodation.

Legal

By registering yourself at Tallinn EUDC, you agree to the terms and conditions that have been laid out in this document as well as to the equity code of Tallinn EUDC, rules and regulations that have been detailed in the EUDC Constitution. You might be required to sign a document upon your arrival to the first on-site registration to confirm your adherence of previously mentioned rules and regulations.

Data processing

By entering the registration process, you agree that your data can be used and processed by the Tallinn EUDC team, NGO Estonian Debating Society and relevant third parties (i.e. for accommodation, dietary preferences etc.). In the second stage of registration there will be an option for participants to opt out of the publication of pictures and videos taken of them at the competition. In the case of unwanted photos being published, participants have the right to ask that individual photos of them would be removed.

Distribution of team slots

No institution is entitled to a team slot or a certain number of team slots. The organising committee allocates team and adjudication slots at their discretion. We reserve the right to withdraw slots of institutions that do not meet payment deadlines, do not comply to the eligibility, equity or other rules at all times.

Participation in the competition

Being granted a slot does not automatically grant participation in the tournament. Participants who have not paid the registration fee on time or are in any way in breach of the rules and regulations of the tournament or the EUDC constitution will be banned from taking part in the tournament with no refunds offered.

The organising committee reserves the right to deny participants access to the tournament, socials and/or accommodation, if the organising committee deem these participants to be a risk to the competition or the participants of the competition. Such situations might be (but are not limited to): cases of serious equity violations, serious violations of the local law, highly inappropriate behaviour at any point, violating orders of the organising committee or the volunteers that concern the security of the competition.

Eligibility

This is the list of countries that are eligible to participate in the tournament can be found from this link: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Amlcx30F9214tkzr6jcsdnr4OePRXrWyGjjsVCncSAI/>

The organising committee reserves the right to demand proof of the participants' courses of study and/or any other evidence to confirm the eligibility of participants at any part during or before the tournament. In addition, Pre-Council is entitled to decide on teams and adjudicators that will be unable to break at the competition.

Equity

Institutions are responsible for selecting participants that submit to all of the relevant rules and regulations of the tournament. Delegates that do not submit to the rules and regulations, will be denied participation of the tournament with no chance of reimbursement or a possibility of having substitute delegates.

Liability waiver

Registration and participation in the tournament takes place at the participants' own risk. The organisers are clear from any liability to the registered institutions and/or individuals.

Visa

Estonia is a part of the Schengen Zone. Those who come to Estonia from the Schengen Zone or other countries that have visa freedom with Estonia, do not need any visas.

If a person needs an invitation letter to obtain a visa to participate at the tournament, the participant may be asked by the organising committee to present a signed and stamped document from their university that verifies that the participant is indeed representing that university at the tournament.

Contact details

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our organising committee. We kindly ask you to write to info.tallinneudc@debate.ee in case you have any questions relating to registration as opposed to sending us a message on Facebook as Facebook messages have to be sorted and sent forward to the correct teams increasing the chance of messages getting lost and decreasing the chance of you getting a quick reply.

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