

## The 10 key rules of Procedure-EUROmad

## The key information to help delegates to give an outstanding performance throughout the conference:

- Rule 18: All participants must wear formal attire. Men are required to wear a suit and a tie is recommended. Women are required to wear a blouse or a shirt, as well as a jacket.
- **Rule 35**: The Presidents of the Council distribute the floor to the representatives through the formula "The [Country/Organization] has the floor". They therefore have no right to intervene without authorization.
- Rule 69: A delegate cannot speak using the first person "I". They must use expressions such as: "the delegate of [country] thinks that..." or "the [country] would like...".
- **Rule 70:** When a participant reaches the end of their intervention, they must use the expression: "the delegate of [country] yields the floor to the Chair".

## Basic rules to understand formal debates:

- Rule 49: To submit an amendment, it must be sent in writing to the Chair. The author and possible co-authors must be mentioned.
- Rule 53: A simple majority is required to pass an amendment, regardless of the form of vote of the final resolution paper. Abstention is not accepted.
- Rule 28: Informal debates are held outside the formal debates and are a moment of free exchange between all the members of a Council. The Chair can allocate a specific space for informal debates within the room during the informal debate. Delegates also have the freedom to exchange freely during breaks.

## The essentials of Motions and Points:

- Rule 55: A Point of Information is a question addressed to the speaker after they have finished their speech. It must be related to the content of the speaker's speech and expressed in the form of a question. If the Point does not meet the above conditions, the Chairperson of the Council should request the point to be rephrased by the representative, and may reject it if the failure persists.
- Rule 62: A Right of Reply is the possibility for a representative to reply immediately to another participant when he or she considers that his or her State is being targeted. He/she may at that time interrupt the speaker by asking the Presidency of the Council for a Right of Reply which the Council Presidency is free to grant or not.

- **Rule 64:** The Motion to proceed to a vote is proposed when a representative considers that a debate is "going around in circles", and that it is therefore pointless to continue it. Instead, he or she wishes to move to the voting procedure for that particular issue, in order to move on to another aspect to be discussed.

Excerpts from the Official Rules of Procedure of EUROmad 2022. It is imperative to read the complete rules at least once. This summary is very incomplete.