



Swedish Schools Mini 2022 Info Pack

Welcome to the Swedish Schools Mini! Please forward this document to all participating debaters in your team/institution.

Note that all communication and debates are conducted in English, the official language of debating, so a decent level of English proficiency is required. Of course, there will be many Swedish speakers present as well.

The information and guidelines are mandatory for all participants and should be followed throughout the tournament.

To register your team for the tournament, check the official website or [fill out this form](#). The deadline to do so is November 24th.

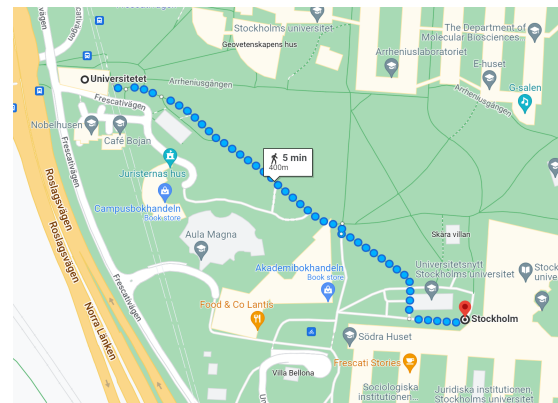
Tournament Logistics

Date: November 26th 2022, Saturday

Time: 8:45 - 17:30

Location: Stockholm University

- The simplest way to travel is to take **line 14** to the *Universitetet* station and walk to the location.
- Some organizers will wait at the Universitet station for participants until 8:30 on the day.



Format: Every round will follow a modified *world School (WS)* debate format. Details are found on the official website.

Tournament schedule: See the tournament schedule section on the website. Note that times may change slightly on the day but the ending time will not exceed 18:00:

Food: As of right now, there will be **no lunch** provided. We recommend participants either pack their own lunch the night before or order online on the day of the tournament. Any special requests can be mailed to debate.club.iegs@gmail.com

Dress code: Though not mandatory, it is highly recommended for all participants to dress in *smart casual* attire.



Rules and guidelines

Preparation

Teams/individuals who are over 15 minutes late forfeits the round automatically unless there are extenuating circumstances.

During Preparation time of impromptu rounds, debaters are only allowed to interact with members of their team in their designated preparation area.

Use of mobile phones or any other electronic device for research is strictly prohibited during preparation.

Questions related to the motion/rules in impromptu rounds are to be directed to the judges but are only accepted 10 minutes after the motion is given.

Judges are going to give time signals for when speeches reach their 1 minute, 7 minute, and 8 minute marks, but it is up to the speaker to time themselves (for example with a stopwatch app on their phone)

Points of Information

In each round, debaters are expected to give points of information (POIs) verbally, and speakers are also expected to accept at least 1 point of information.

POIs cannot be given less than 30 seconds apart, and the POI itself should not exceed 15 seconds.

Ethical guidelines

To ensure a safe environment when debating, there are some guidelines to follow regarding ethics and safety. Participants must:

- Greet their opponent and wish them good luck.
- Refer to their opponent respectfully. EX. "My opponent" In certain cases, using their name is ok, as it shows you are familiar with them.
- Not attack their opponents or make comments about their appearance, personality, or style.



- For the sake of the safety of the participants, do not utilize racist, sexist, xenophobic, antisemitic or in other ways hostile arguments.
 - In this instance, *hostile* is defined as harmful to marginalized groups.
- Hold themselves and others accountable for their arguments. When you contravene ethical guidelines or harm others with your argumentation – whether intentional or not – accountability means you admit your fault, apologize, and strive to avoid the same mistake.

Spectation guidelines

Observers are allowed to spectate the round only if all participants consent to doing so. If you only wish to observe, you must be invited by a participating delegation. Alternatively, one can request speculation by mailing debate.club.iegs@gmail.com, for safety reasons.

Rounds may be recorded for private use only if all participants consent to doing so.

Tabbing and scoring

The tournament will be power paired.

At the moment, there are some technical issues with scoring, but in principle, individuals should receive individual speaker scores in addition to team scores.

Pairings will be announced by judges right before the motion is released for impromptu rounds, and for the prepared motion, pairings will be announced right after the break. A full draft of the tab will be released via mail after the tournament. Digital certificates will be sent to all delegations on request.

Contact information

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Alternatively, fill out the contact form at <https://qile0317.github.io/SSM>