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INTERNATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY
DEBATE COMPETITION

ONLINE COMPETITION

FACT SHEET

Phase 1 Registration (Guaranteed Slots) November 1st - 25th, 2023
Phase 2 Registration December 10th 2023 - January 15th 2024
Competition Dates: February 17th-18th, 2024 (Sat & Sun)

Venue: Online via Zoom

Format: Modified American Parliamentary (2 members per team)
Motions will be announced on the day of the competition.

Divisions: Upper Primary P.4 - 6 (~Ages 10-12)
Lower Secondary S.1 - 3 (~Ages 13-15)
Upper Secondary S.4 - 6 (~Ages 16-18)

The division will be governed by the grade in school instead of age. For example, if you are age 16 and studying in S.3, you will be in the Lower Secondary division

Team Cap: 36 teams per division, first-come, first-served.
Max. 4 teams per school (8 participants). Any additional candidates will be waitlisted, and the result will be announced after the registration deadline.

Break: 1. Open and 2. Novice
Break categories will be determined by the responses provided on the application form, at the sole discretion of the Adjudication Committee.

Registration:

Teams



Judges



WHY JOIN IPDC?

- International platform with global exposure
- Meet peers worldwide including the Greater Bay Area and the Belt and Road Regions
- Global judging panel comprising legal professionals and debate awardees
- A free online workshop for school teams (first-come, first-served)
- Attractive scholarships and awards

WE HAVE...

440+

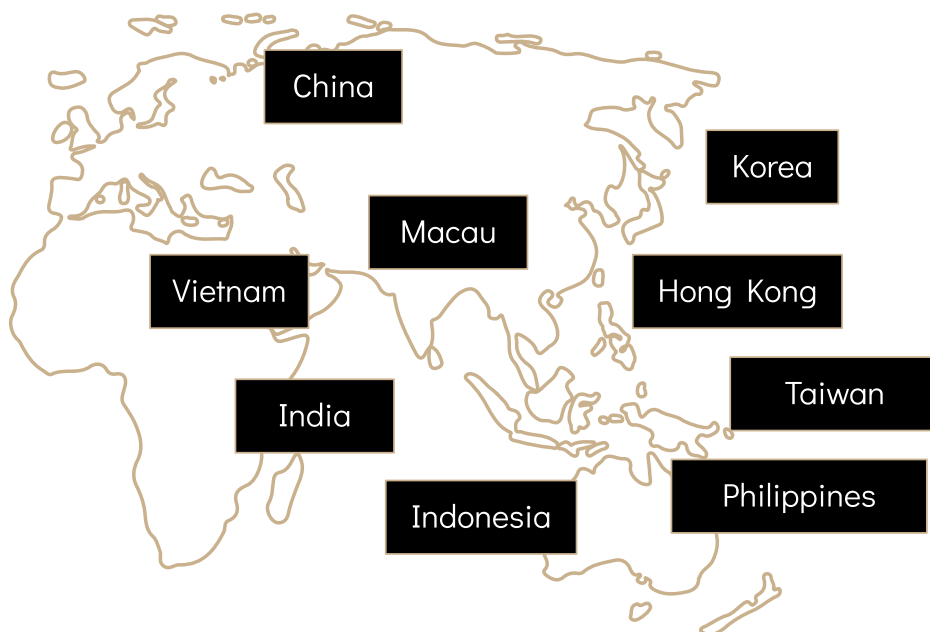
Students

50+

Schools

6+

Countries



COMPETITION ORGANIZERS



Hong Kong Innovative Education Association (HKIEA) is an organization that focuses on education for future leaders.

We keep exploring different kinds of innovative education methods or tools to equip the next generation to become excellent leaders.

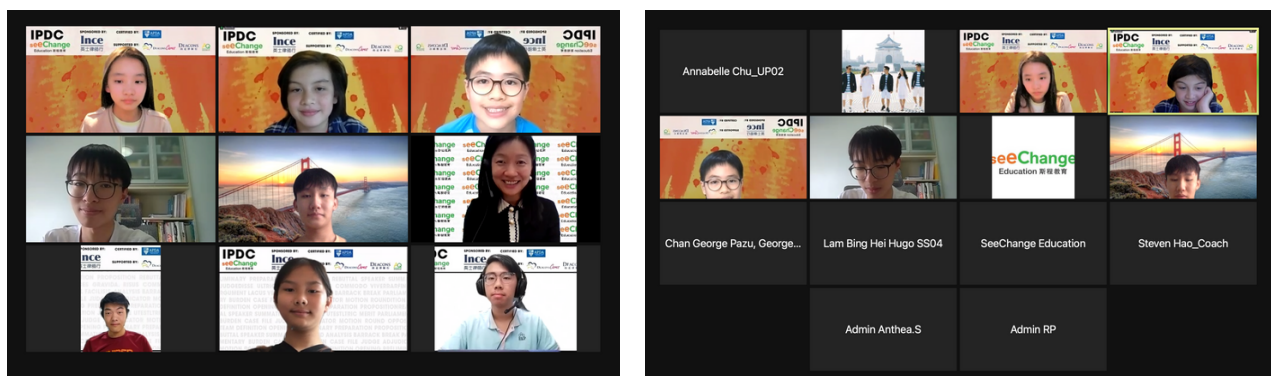


See Change Education is an academy for 21st-century life skills in communications. Our proprietary curriculum, which includes TQUK-certified programs, equips our students with the skills necessary to become purpose-driven leaders of tomorrow. We proudly offer courses including Speech and Debate, Critical Reading and Writing, and Digital Life Skills and Media Communications.

To encourage diversity and open-mindedness in our students, we offer online classes so that students and teachers from around the world can meet and learn from each other. We also offer in-person school programs which are fun and engaging, allowing students to learn in environments different from typical classroom learning.



COMPETITION FORMAT



Currently, in its fifth iteration, the IPDC is an international debate competition that will involve delegates from all over the world, including the Greater Bay Area and the Belt and Road Regions. This online event is an exciting opportunity for young learners to compete and meet with peers across the globe.

The 5th IPDC is also one of the only Asia-based competitions that run on the Modified American Parliamentary Debate format! The tournament features three categories: Upper Primary, Middle School, and High School Secondary. We welcome everyone, whether a beginner or experienced debater to participate in this event.

This year, we have two separate break categories: **Open** and **Novice**. This will ensure greater inclusivity and allow debaters with different skill levels to compete with each other.

Details as below:

Competition Dates

February 17th (Saturday) and

February 18th (Sunday), 2024

Team Cap

36 per division, first-come, first-served

2 students per team

Competition Format

Modified American Parliamentary Debate

- 2 speakers per team, with the 1st speaker also making the rebuttal speech
- Motions are released on the competition day, and debaters can prepare within a given time
- 30 minutes preparation time
- Only the Open Division of Lower & Upper Secondary streams will have POIs. - Upper Primary stream and Lower & Upper Secondary Novice Divisions have no POIs.

Speaker Time

Upper Primary Stream	Lower & Upper Secondary Streams
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First Proposition Speech: 4min• First Opposition Speech: 5min• Second Proposition Speech: 5min• Second Opposition Speech: 5min• Opposition Rebuttal: 3min• Proposition Rebuttal: 4min	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• First Proposition Speech: 5min• First Opposition Speech: 6min• Second Proposition Speech: 6min• Second Opposition Speech: 6min• Opposition Rebuttal: 4min• Proposition Rebuttal: 5min
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• There is a 30 second grace period between the transition of each speaker.	

Judge Rule:

If you are registering more than three teams for a stream, you must supply one judge for that stream. The judge has to pass the judge test to be accepted to judge on your behalf.

Schools/organizations that fail to meet this provision will have to pay a judge compensation fee of **80 USD**.

If you have more than 3 teams in different streams, then you must provide a judge for each of the streams, or pay a judge compensation fee for each stream you are unable to do so for.

Registration Timeline:

Phase 1 Team Slot Registration	Payment Timeline	Individual Registration for Team Members	Phase 2 Team Slot Registration
<p>Registration - 1st - 25th November 2023</p> <p>Institution/Organization Team Cap: For all organizations/institutions/schools (from all branches combined), you only have 4 teams max per division (collectively for both beginner and advanced segments within the stream).</p> <p>Slot Confirmation Email will be sent on - 28th November 2023</p>	<p>1st November -7th December</p> <p>NB: Payment made is nonrefundable.</p> <p>Due to this, all institutions and organizations are actively encouraged to only pay for the number of teams they have absolute assurance will be attending the competition.</p>	<p>9th December - 22nd December 2023</p> <p>NB: All registered slots for which individual participant details of team members have not been provided for at the end of this timeline will be automatically forfeited.</p>	<p>December 10th 2023 to January 15th 2024</p> <p>NB: This will be dependent on the availability of team slots after Phase 1 registration.</p>

Registration Fee: NB: Reg fee is non-refundable.

- For Schools; 80 USD per team (2 speakers in each team)
- For Debate Learning Centers/Academies; 160 USD per team/80 USD per individual (2 speakers in each team)
- For Independent Teams: 160 USD per team/80 USD per individual (2 speakers in each team)
- Team Cap: Team Cap: 36 teams (for each stream - Upper Primary, Lower Secondary, Upper Secondary)

Registration

Teams



Judges



Tournament Details Summary

Debate	Format	Competition Dates	Streams	Divisions/Break Categories
<p>IPDC 2024 For Novice & Open Debaters</p>	<p>Modified American Parliamentary</p> <p>Impromptu</p> <p>Prep time: 30 minutes prep time with your partner in the breakout room.</p> <p>The Upper Secondary division will have POIs.</p> <p>- Upper Primary and Lower Secondary have no POIs.</p> <p>2 persons allowed per team</p>	<p>February 17th (Sat) - February 18th (Sun)</p> <p>February 17th - Preliminary Rounds</p> <p>February 18th - Out Rounds</p> <p>Tentative Time: 12:00 - 19:00 (GMT +8) Each Day (with breaks in between</p> <p>- <u>full schedule</u></p>	<p>Upper Primary</p> <p>Lower Secondary</p> <p>Upper Secondary</p>	<p>Open Division Break</p> <p>Novice Division Break</p> <p>The Break categories/division apply to all of the streams. Eg. The Primary stream will have a Novice break and an Open break.</p>

NEW CHANGES IN IPDC

1. For all organizations/institutions/schools (from all branches combined), you only have 4 teams max per division (collectively for both beginner and advanced segments within the stream).
2. The decision of a judge for a round is final and incontestable.
3. The Lower and Upper Secondary streams will have POIs. - Upper Primary stream will have no POIs.
4. The Lower and Upper Secondary streams' speaking time will be 1 minute longer for all speeches compared to the Upper Primary streams.
5. All debates will now have 30 minutes of preparation time.
6. The use of online research and Chat GPT/Poe during the competition is prohibited.
7. If you are registering more than three teams for a stream, you must supply one judge for that stream. The judge has to pass the judge test to be accepted to judge on your behalf. Schools/organizations that fail to meet this provision will have to pay a judge compensation fee of 80 USD. If you have more than 3 teams in different streams, then you must provide a judge for each of the streams, or pay a judge compensation fee for each stream you are unable to do so for.
8. All debaters will be required to keep their video cameras open throughout every debate round.

Online Bootcamps and Workshop

Free complimentary online workshops will be offered by our top coaches who are all former debaters and national champions from top US Ivy League Universities, Oxford and Cambridge, these preparatory workshops will familiarize participants with the format of the Competition and have a practice round. Workshops will generally be held during weekends (e.g. Saturday or Sunday mornings) to avoid overlapping with school hours.

For schools looking for private training, please contact See Change Education for details.

For open teams who are looking for training, we offer paid training camps over Christmas and Chinese New Year. Please contact See Change Education for more details.



PRIZES

The 5th IPDC includes a novice and open break which ensures greater inclusivity and allows debaters of different skill levels to compete with each other and battle it out! Top debaters in each division will receive a scholarship to further enhance their skills and abilities in debate and public speaking at See Change Education.

Prizes of the 5th IPDC are as below:

- Open Break Champion
- Novice Break Champion
- Speaker Awards
- Best Rebuttal Speaker Award
- Outstanding School Award
- Spirited Award
- Best Motion Award



The competition counts for a minimum of 5 hours towards a TQUK-endorsed Certificate in Debate and Public Speaking at Level 1, 2 or 3.



COMPETITION SCHEDULE

This schedule is tentative and subject to change.

Time Zone: Hong Kong Time (GMT +8)

Saturday 17th February (GMT+8)

Sunday 18th February (GMT+8)

Preliminary Rounds

- 12:00 - 12:30** Roll Call/Check In
- 12:30 - 13:00** Opening Ceremony & Briefing

Round 1

- 13:00 - 13:10** Draw Release
- 13:10 - 13:40** Preparation
- 13:40 - 14:40** Debate Round & Results
- 14:40 - 15:00** Tabulation

Round 2

- 15:00 - 15:10** Draw Release
- 15:10 - 15:40** Preparation
- 15:40 - 16:40** Debate Round & Results
- 16:40 - 17:00** Tabulation

Round 3

- 17:00 - 17:10** Draw Release
- 17:10 - 17:40** Preparation
- 17:40 - 18:40** Debate Round & Results
- 18:40 - 19:00** Tabulation

Final Rounds

- 11:00 - 11:15** Roll Call/Check In
- 11:15 - 11:30** Opening Ceremony & Briefing

Quarterfinal

- 11:30 - 11:40** Draw Release
- 11:40 - 12:10** Preparation
- 12:10 - 13:10** Debate Round & Results
- 13:10 - 13:30** Tabulation

Semifinal

- 13:30 - 13:40** Draw Release
- 13:40 - 14:10** Preparation
- 14:10 - 15:10** Debate Round & Results
- 15:10 - 15:30** Tabulation

Grand Final

- 15:30 - 15:40** Draw Release
- 15:40 - 16:10** Preparation
- 16:10 - 17:10** Debate Round & Results
- 17:10 - 17:30** Tabulation

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT

Stage 1 - Registration and payment

Teams shall submit their team slot requests [here](#). The payment link is included in the Google Form.

Judges can register [here](#).

For those who are unable to access Google Forms, please email us at info@ipdcdebating.org.

Schools wishing to enter more than 4 teams per stream(8 participants) will be waitlisted for the additional team slots beyond the guaranteed 4. The result will be released after the registration deadline.

All registrations are on a first-come, first-served basis. Spots will be confirmed only after payment is made.

Phase 1 Registration: November 1st - 25th, 2023

Stage 2 - Release result to the waitlisted participants

Stage 2 will open only if there are places available after the close of Stage 1.

For schools wishing to enter more than 8 participants, the result will be announced at this stage.

Stage 2 Registration: December 10th 2023 - January 15th 2024

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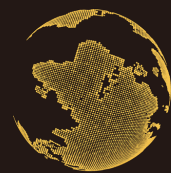
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