



Delegation Name: Netherlands

Ambassador Name: Onat Akçin



Honorable Chairs and Esteemed Delegates,

As the ambassador of the delegation of the Netherlands, I would firstly like to welcome you all to the TIMUN Conference 2021. We are going through challenging times and especially in times of turmoil, we must focus on **“Crisis and Global Governance”** – exactly the main theme of this year’s TIMUN conference. We must all work **collectively** to ensure the well-being of the people and our planet.

I would like to expressly state that, we will **not allow violations and unlawfulness** anywhere in the world: whether about the expansionist policies of China, the implementation of UN Security Council sanctions, the continuation of important nuclear weapons’ agreements; or regarding weaponization and the ethical concerns surrounding supply chains during the pandemic.

It is a sad truth of our time, that in times of crisis, some groups like to take advantage of the underprivileged and weaker members of our society. Wars are pushed forward by greed, anger, provocation, and lack of reaction by the global scene. As the Netherlands - **the cradle of justice and civilization for years** – we will always work to ensure peace and stability during crisis times.

Coming to what we want to achieve by the end of this conference: As the ambassador of the delegation of the Netherlands, I find it appropriate **to call all of you** for common sense, hard work, empathy, and patience these days. We believe all economic and political decisions must be resolved **within ethical frameworks**. What differentiates us from the war-makers of the past centuries, is our ability to resolve issues diplomatically, instead of by bloodshed on the battlefield.

This is why, we hope to **create clear, concise, and mutually beneficial agreements** between parties, with collective work from all delegations here. We urge all delegations to **globally speak up** about violations and unlawfulness and **create support channels** for the people negatively affected. As part of the EU, the UN, and NATO; we will be leading **peace efforts in war zones**, **provide adequate education** to people in need, and **fund innovations** to battle the effects of climate change and war. Be assured that as the Netherlands, we will **never settle for anti-democratic solutions that violate the people of any region**. We will work to make our world a better place, and address the issues mentioned.

Finally, yet importantly, I wish you all good work. We hope that we will find solutions that will illuminate our future in the light of our past. I wish you all a prosperous and enlightening conference!