<u>Guidelines for Judges</u> for 2018 ISDC Universalization Student Debates

1. Keep Track of Time

- 2. If you are unfamiliar with *formal debate*, the speakers follow a set order. The following is the **most basic of debate structure**.
- 3. First, the affirmative group receives two minutes to present their case to the audience.
- 4. The negative group then receives two minutes to present their case.
- 5. The third member of the team will give a conclusion to the team's comments.
- 6. After both sides have a chance to speak, both teams receive two minutes to prepare a *rebuttal* and *summary*. The order of speech is reversed now and the negative side presents their rebuttal and summary for the first two minutes.
- 7. The last to speak is the affirmative team who then presents their rebuttal and summary for two minutes. The debate is now concluded.
- 8. In today's debate, each team has an alternative who may participate in preparation of a rebuttal or in preparing an answer for questions that the judges may pose after each team has presented their positions.
- 9. Judge each debater on their performance by using the rubric.
- 10. To determine the team that wins the debate, take a composite total of each team member's scored rubric.
- 11. You may indicate an outstanding debater on your grading rubric under "Comments." Any comments are appreciated.
- 12. Give your scored rubrics to the Debate Facilitator.



