



MUN Flensburg in Action

Delegation Report

CBS MUN Conference

Copenhagen, 13th- 16th of March 2025

On 13 March, our 8-person delegation consisting of Neele, Khuslen, Yelyzaveta, Ivan, Lea, Luisa, Renée and Carlotta travelled by train to the "Copenhagen Business School Model United Nations" Conference 2025. We set off from Flensburg at 6.05am, changing trains in Fredericia, Denmark. At 10.10am we were already standing on the platform at Copenhagen Central Station with our luggage. Most of us didn't know exactly what to expect, as four of us had never attended a Model United Nations conference and the others had rarely or not for a long time. However, we were all looking forward to finally being there.

Firstly, we paid a visit to our hostel, which is within walking distance of the train station, and were not disappointed. Centrally located and definitely adequate and well-equipped for three nights in shared dormitories, we had one less thing to worry about.

Thanks to a strictly planned conference programme, the three and a half days flew by. After we had all familiarised ourselves with our committees and explored the first location of the Business School, we went straight into the first sessions.

We were divided into the different committees as follows:

"Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)"

Delegates: Khuslen (Country: France)

Topic: Improving Economic Access for Indigenous Communities

"Historical Disarmament and International Security Committee (DISEC)"

Topic: 1983: Ensuring Security and Stability in the Baltic Sea Region

Delegates: Ivan (Country: China), Lea (Country: Egypt), Luisa (Country: India)

"International Press Corps (IPC)"

Topic: Conference Reporting

Delegate: Carlotta (Xinhua News Agency)

"United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)"

Topic: Sustainable Business Practices in Arctic Regions

Delegate: Yelyzaveta (Country: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland)

"United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)"

Topic: Discrimination Faced by Immigrants in Their Host Country

Delegate: Renée (Country: Australia)

"United Nations Security Council (UNSC)"

Topic: Addressing Maritime Security and Migration Control in the Horn of Africa

Delegate: Neele (Country: Slovenia)

Afterwards, there was a get-to-know-you evening after the majority of our group had fallen into bed very exhausted.

The second day was the first real debate day from 9am to 1.30pm and gave us the opportunity to explore a second building of the Business School. Afterwards, there was a rally through the city called "Tour de Copenhagen", in which the different committees competed against each other, followed by a pub crawl. Again, we didn't get home until late and were all completely exhausted.

However, the next day was to be a bit more strenuous, as we sat in our committees from 10am to 5pm (but of course, like every day, with lunch provided and plenty of breaks) and in the evening there was the biggest social event, the "Gala Night". There was a lot of dancing and singing and you got to socialise with all the people from the other committees for a change. All in all, it was great, but we were already in bed very late afterwards, although we continued the next day at 10am.

The last day, Sunday, was mainly characterised by tiredness and the last sessions were pushed through once again. Fortunately, all committees were able to successfully pass their resolutions, which rounded off the perfection of this conference. After the last joint lunch, we said goodbye to each other, sometimes in tears, before, during and especially after the closing ceremony. Of course, we also invited all our new friends to our own conference, FlensMUN 2025, which will take place in July. In addition, the majority of our group has already arranged and registered to participate in another MUN in Utrecht, the Netherlands, in May!

These were some of our delegates' personal summaries:

Carlotta: "The MUN experience was really super exciting. Despite the exhausting preparation, it was really worthwhile and enriched me both personally and professionally. As a member of the press, I had the opportunity to look into various committees and learn something new everywhere. The people were really nice and friendly and the social events were a huge highlight, especially the gala evening! Overall, the MUN was super well organised and you always knew exactly what was going to happen next. They were very exhausting and educational days but I would definitely recommend it to anyone, it's an easy way to experience politics up close and make friends from all over the world!"

Ivan: "It was an amazing trip that I have really enjoyed, Copenhagen itself and CBSMUN in particular, are fantastic. I met a lot of new people, tested my limits as a public speaker and found out a lot more how the actual UN works. I would take any possibility to participate more in such activities all over the world."

Khuslen: "The trip was a great experience for debaters of all levels! The CBS location was a prestigious one, and you could really reflect it on their organisation. From Flensburg, logistically it was a very practical and a close location. The socials at the event were great as well, and it gave great future networking opportunities. The mix of academics and fun was a great balance. I would highly recommend this specific Copenhagen MUN option for students from Flensburg. And it is an interesting nuance to contrast the different Danish culture while still having a comparatively short travel time."

Lea: "Overall, the trip was an incredibly enriching experience. I was particularly impressed by the inspiring participants, who were not only linguistically and intellectually impressive, but also showed a great passion for discussion and diplomacy. I learnt a lot about myself, whether through improving my soft skills, especially in public speaking, or through the international cooperation and interdisciplinary exchange. The atmosphere was very enriching not only professionally but also socially - I was able to make new contacts both internationally and within my university. This experience has made me want to continue taking part in such events, be it in Copenhagen, Utrecht or through local involvement in Flensburg. I would definitely recommend this trip and the whole format to others!"

Luisa: "The MUN in Copenhagen was my very first MUN ever. The days were very structured and also very well planned. However, there were still plenty of opportunities to socialise with each other - for example during the coffee breaks or the other socials, such as the gala. In general, I would say that it was really well organised and the journey was relatively uncomplicated for us from Flensburg. I really enjoyed meeting so many different people from all over the world and I feel like I have a better understanding of how politics or the UN work or might work. The debating and negotiating of the delegates involved was extremely exciting. I would therefore describe the whole trip and especially the MUN as thoroughly positive and enriching. I would definitely take part again."

Neele: "I definitely enjoyed the joint participation of our delegation very much, as I haven't taken part as a "delegate" for ages and have only ever had the organiser's perspective in recent years. The Security Council was a bit of a challenge as it was an "expert-level" committee, but I feel that I still learnt a lot and was able to contribute. I would definitely like to go to CBSMUN again next year!"

Renée: "It was my first time taking part in an MUN. And looking back, I can say that it was a great experience! Over the four days, I was able to meet a lot of wonderful people, actively experience politics and learn a lot about myself. The language and giving speeches were a

challenge, but also an opportunity to develop myself further. In addition to the political debates, there was also plenty of fun and the bar evenings with karaoke and the gala were also an absolute highlight that I will always remember."

Yelyzaveta: "This was my first experience participating in a MUN, and I can confidently say that it is truly a unique opportunity for any student who wants to enhance their debating skills while broadening their understanding of current global issues addressed within the United Nations system. The event was organised in an extremely efficient manner, allowing for a balance between engagement in committee sessions and participation in social activities, where there was an opportunity to meet representatives from other committees, brought together by people from different corners of the world."