

# MIMUN Researching Tips

Research should be focused on two areas:

**The issue itself:** Look for information about your topic in general. For example, if the issue is making satellite technology available for the entire world, what are some uses of satellite technology?

**Your country's policy:** Research the policies your country has on this issue. Good indicators include official statements and past actions that they have taken.

**Tip #1:** Use the resources at the end of your Background Guides. Your directors had to do research to write those guides, and they included some of the sites they used to help you do research as well.

**Tip #2:** Librarians and Social Studies/History teachers are excellent resources for researching for MIMUN. While they may not be able to help you with your country's specific policies with regards to a certain issue, they can help you find where to look for those policies.

**Tip #3:** One way to find out what your country's policies are is by finding out how your region or bloc feels about the issue. While you may not be able to find the Philippines' policy towards genetically modified foods, ASEAN, the Association of Southeast Asian Nations, probably does have a policy you could find. Similarly, if you are an African nation, you could probably find the African Union's policy on something. (The European Union and the Organization of American States, or even NATO, are other places you could look if your country applies.)

**Tip #4:** A typical Yahoo! or Google search will yield surprisingly good information. Just make sure you know that the site you are using is reliable. For example, typing in Uzbekistan and terrorism will probably bring you some good sites about how Uzbekistan is dealing with terrorism.