



Address by the Chief Guest



AIMUN Secretariat and Executive Board with Chairperson, guests and heads of Amity Institutions



Sec Gen declares AIMUN 2017 open



Chairperson along with guests and heads of Amity Institutions



The emcees for the day



Amitasha students present a welcome song

...hereby declare AIMUN'17 OPEN

And with those words, the world of young diplomats opened up to new avenues, vistas and opportunities, along with the doors to a better and brighter world that we all want to see...

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What: Opening ceremony, AIMUN'17

When: November 16, 2017

Where: Amity University, Noida

Why: To open a plethora of opportunities and a platform for discussion for young diplomats

Who: ■ Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan, Chairperson, Amity Group of Schools & RBEF

■ Eduardo Sanchez Moreno, Deputy Head of Mission, Embassy of Spain

■ Carlos Verona, Director, Instituto Cervantes, Spanish Cultural Centre

■ Air Marshall Ramesh Rai VM(Retd)

■ Shigeki Ashida, Director, Ritsumeikan Office

■ Brig NK Bhatia SM(Retd)

■ Ambassador RM Aggarwal, IFS (Retd)

■ Heads of Amity institutions

Opening with open arms...

With its motto 'Sarve Bhavantu Sukhinah' that translates to 'may all be happy', AIMUN'17 welcomed all with open arms; enthusiasm and happiness palpable in the air. The ceremony was as formal as the delegates' attire. Crisp suits and smart dresses did the talking even before the delegates could. As the guests were accorded a warm welcome with tulsi pots, the event opened up the roads to a brighter future. The lighting of the lamp by Chairperson Dr (Mrs) Chauhan and the revered guests carried the ceremony forward.

Opening to melodious tunes...

A song by students of Amitasha, Amity's wing for the less privileged girl child brought smiles to everyone's faces. Perpetuating AIMUN's bequest of uniting nations, foreign diplomats marched with their national flags, making a rain-

bow on the stage shaded with the magical colours of cultures.

Opening ears, and minds...

An open mind is the first step to opening closed doors. As words of wisdom flowed through the auditorium, they unlocked closed ideologies and opened minds to a vision of a peaceful world we all want to see. Chief Guest Eduardo Sanchez Moreno, complimented India for being tolerant, which he not only appreciates but venerates too. Dr (Mrs) Amita Chauhan urged the students to make the most of this opportunity.

Opening up...

In its constant endeavour to create global leaders, Amity has been a frontrunner in initiating global programmes that expose students to varied cultures and ideologies. The year gone by saw

AERC organize several such programmes, all of which were beautifully captured in a movie showcased during the opening ceremony. AIMUN Dubai, held earlier this year was a step in the same direction. A movie on the same was also showcased.

Opening up new vistas...

As Sumedh Kapoor, Chef de Cabinet, AIMUN, took to the stage to announce the Executive Board, cheers and applause reverberated in the auditorium. The EB members took to stage one by one, receiving their gavel and opening up new vistas and platforms for dialogue and discussion.

And with that the Secretary General, AIMUN'17 Aryaman Kashyap banged the gavel, uttering the words everyone was eagerly waiting for "...hereby declare AIMUN'17 OPEN."



Blessings for the conference



Invoking the blessings of the Almighty with lamp lighting



Welcoming the guests with tulsi saplings



Young delegates from across the world at the opening ceremony