

The Ameson Education and Cultural Exchange Foundation

Proudly Presents a

Cultural Dialogue Between the Youth of the Five UN Security Council Permanent Members

Location: 2015 Ameson Chinese Elite (ACE) Program Forum in Beijing, China

Participants: Youth delegates from China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom and the United States

Speakers: There will be two speakers each member country. China can have up to four speakers. (Two in the morning, two in the afternoon)

Event Host: TBD

Purpose of the Forum: To foster cross-cultural understanding between teenagers by discussing matters of global significance and creating a bridge between cultures

Key Points:

1. The speakers will talk about the situation of their own home country based on the specific case/topic given.
2. The speakers will start the case by telling a little story and using the story to illustrate their ideals.
3. The event host should help maintain an upbeat, lively, joyful, and friendly atmosphere throughout the dialogue.
4. The audience will have the opportunity to ask two questions before moving onto the next session.
5. Avoid political and religious issues of conflict, as well as direct conflict between the students. Participants should seek common ground while reserving differences
6. The topics are given before the speech. The speaker should vividly present the speech, which is a more comprehensive and wide-ranging cultural presentation, with a sense of humor.

Sample Topics:

- 1、 Warm-up: Participants should use one sentence to describe his/her impression of the other countries and get feedback from the other countries' students.
- 2、 Discuss what kinds of social media platforms are used in each country and how they are related to one's personal privacy.
- 3、 What's your opinion on those "dancing aunties" (*dama*) who sometimes take

- over the public areas such as parks and squares?
- 4、 Can you describe how people in your country view the concept of humor? What is considered funny? When is (or isn't) it appropriate to laugh?
 - 5、 Discuss the impact of technological innovation in your everyday life.
 - 6、 Discuss your country's approach to education, as well as how you think these approaches will change in the future.
 - 7、 Discuss your country's linguistic, architectural, stylistic, culinary, and local customs.
 - 8、 Discuss the cultural spirit and cultural heritage of your country.
 - 9、 What is the most important thing you would like to share about your culture?
 - 10、 The thing I most want to learn about _____ (country's) culture is _____.
 - 11、 Conclusion: Use three sentences to summarize your own culture to the group.

The host should participate in all planned activities and manage both the mood and the time of the event. The host should make the transition between groups as smooth as possible and make sure that the dialogue stays on the track.