



Opening Speech Checklist

This checklist helps you build a clear, and convincing opening speech.



Checklist



Clear Purpose

- **Understand the Agenda:** Have you clearly explained how the committee's theme and agenda connect to your country's strategic interests?
- **Clarify Objectives:** Have you identified your country's key goals and developed this into the central message for your speech?



Compelling Content

- **Opening Hook:** Have you used facts, figures, or quotes to engage your audience?
- **Evidence & Examples:** Have you used specific statistics or real-world examples to support your country's position and make your arguments credible?
- **Call to Action:** Have you included a specific appeal for collaboration or a call to address the issue with a clear course of action?



Well Structured

- **START Formula:** Have you used the START formula to effectively structure your speech?
- **Ladder Method:** Have you used the ladder method to organize your speech for different delivery times?



Engaging Delivery

- **Emphasis:** Are you emphasizing key phrases and statistics to help them stand out during your delivery?
- **Feedback:** Have you practiced in front of others to receive feedback? suggestions for improvement?



Other

- **Country Mentioned:** Have you made sure to refer to your country at the beginning and throughout the speech to reinforce your identity?
- **Formal Language:** Have you avoided first-person language and worded your speech on behalf of your delegation instead?

