

# Questions & Answers

## What is the G(irls)20 Summit?

G(irls)20 is coming to Tokyo, Japan for the 10<sup>th</sup> Global Summit. 20+ young women from around the world will arrive in Tokyo for a week of leadership training, social enterprise development and mentoring by female leaders in the business and public sectors. Delegates contribute the economic and social issues facing girls & women in their countries to a Communiqué delivered to world leaders in advance of the G20 Summit and leave the Summit with increased confidence, new skills, and a global network that will allow them to make change as community and global advocates!

The G(irls)20 Summit is modeled after the G20 Summit and includes in a one-day symposium with local and international panelists, keynotes, and experts on economic and social issues facing girls and women.

## The week-long summit for delegates will include:

- √ Workshops building valuable leadership skills -- *from Emotional Intelligence to Strategic Planning*
- √ Panels and speeches on the key issues facing girls and women globally -- *with an emphasis on digital inclusion and financial inclusion*
- √ Developing a Communiqué to G20 leaders, with recommendations based on the delegates unique experience and expertise
- √ Networking receptions with movers and shakers in the public and private sectors
- √ The opportunity to build lifelong friendships with 20+ young female leaders from around the world
- √ Building a network of mentors from the across the public and private sectors

## What's expected of a delegate?

Every applicant submits one idea for a policy recommendation to be incorporated into the Communiqué + one idea for a community development project to launch at home.

Successful delegates will be expected to:

- √ Spend approximately 5 hours per week from January – May 2019 doing pre-summit work online

- √ Collaborate with an online Working Group of delegates to develop policy recommendations
- √ Participate in 1-2 phone calls per month with policy experts, leadership coaches, and media training experts
- √ Participate fully in the week-long Summit, including attending all sessions, making new connections, asking questions, and bringing an open mind. [View the 2018 agenda here.](#)
- √ Contribute to the development of a Communiqué. [View the 2018 Communiqué here.](#)
- √ Post-summit, launch a community development project at home. View past [Social Impact Initiatives](#)
- √ Monthly check-ins with mentors following Summit

### **When is the Summit?**

The Summit will be held in May 25 – 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. (Delegates arrive in Tokyo on either May 23<sup>rd</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>.)

### **Where is the Summit?**

The Summit will be held in Tokyo, Japan. Four weeks later, the G20 leaders will meet in Osaka, Japan to hold the annual G20 Leaders' Summit.

### **What costs are associated with attending the Summit?**

G(irls)20 will cover the following costs for all delegates:

- √ Flights to and from Tokyo from their nearest major city
- √ Transportation to and from the airport in Tokyo
- √ Accommodation in a shared room with one other female delegate
- √ All meals during the week
- √ Costs associated with travel visas

Costs **not** covered by G(irls)20 include:

- × Costs associated with obtaining or updating passport
- × Transportation to the major airport in home country
- × Stipends for souvenirs, gifts, etc.
- × Traveller's health insurance

**Who can apply:**

- √ Must be 18 years old to apply, and must not be older than 23 years old in May 2019. Date of birth must be between May 30, 1995 – January 1, 2001.
- √ Holds or can obtain a valid passport
- √ Holds citizenship in any of the participating countries or regions:

**List of participating countries or regions:**

## G20 Members:

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| • Argentina | • India             | • Saudi Arabia*  |
| • Australia | • Indonesia         | • South Africa   |
| • Brazil    | • Italy             | • Turkey         |
| • Canada    | • Japan             | • United Kingdom |
| • China     | • Republic of Korea | • United States  |
| • France    | • Mexico            | • European Union |
| • Germany   | • Russia            |                  |

*\*Please note G(irls)20 will not accept applications for the Saudi Arabia position in 2019.*

## Participating Regions:

- Pakistan
- African Union
- MENA (Includes: Algeria, Bahrain, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen)
- Indigenous\*

***\*Please note the Indigenous delegate position is open to any young woman from around the world who belongs to a self-identified Indigenous group. Indigenous peoples, as defined by the United Nations: “are inheritors and practitioners of unique cultures and ways of relating to people and the environment. They have retained social, cultural, economic and political characteristics that are distinct from those of the dominant societies in which they live. Despite their cultural differences, indigenous peoples from around the world share common problems related to the protection of their rights as distinct peoples”.***

### **How are the delegates chosen?**

- Applications open on Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018 and close on Wednesday, November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 at 15:00 / 3:00 pm Eastern Standard Time.
- Applications will be reviewed by a team of volunteer Application Readers who will select their candidates to be interviewed. Interviews will be held in late December with members of G(irls)20's Steering Committee.
- The top 2 candidates in each country or region will be interviewed by G(irls)20's CEO in late December 2018 or early January 2019.
- All applicants will be informed whether or not they are successful by February 2019.
- Delegates are selected from among hundreds of applicants and evaluated and chosen based on their vision of leadership, personal triumph and their ability to find innovative solutions to social challenges.

### **How many applications do you receive?**

- We receive over 1,000 applications from around the globe for these delegate positions.

### **Why are there 20+ delegates but it is called G(irls)20?**

- We select one young woman from each G20 country, but over the years have identified the critical need to invite voices from underrepresented regions, including Sub-Saharan Africa, and the Middle East/North Africa.
- There will be a total of 24 delegates at the 2019 Summit.

### **G(irls)20 in the Media**

- Alexia Henrique, G(irls)20 Delegate, Canada on CTV News - [Toronto teen represents Canada at G\(irls\)20 Summit](#)
- [Meet The 22-Year-Old From Luton Who's Taking On World Leaders](#) via Refinery29
- [12 trillion reasons to end the worlds repression of girls](#) via Toronto Star
- [Sophie Gregoire Trudeau to open TSX on Tuesday to mark International Day of the Girl](#) via Financial Post

### **Have there been Summits before?**

- The first G(irls)20 Summit occurred in Toronto in 2010. Since then we have run Summits around the world with an alumni of over 200 young women! This year will be our 10<sup>th</sup> annual G(irls)20 Summit.

**When will the agenda be released?**

- The entire agenda will be released in May prior to the beginning of the Summit. Please visit our website to view the 2018 Summit Agenda in Argentina.

**How can I spread the word?**

- Connect with us on social media
  - Facebook: [@Girls20](#)
  - Twitter: [@Girls20](#)
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