#### Official Rules Handbook for the Peruvian Economics Olympiad 2026

(PEO 2026)



# **DEFINITIONS**

The **Asociación Educativa Peruana de Economía** (AEPE) is the governing body that presides over the PEO's organization. It is composed of an Executive Secretariat division and a membership division. AEPE executives oversee PEO-related duties as assigned by senior executives. AEPE members are official affiliates of the association who receive special membership benefits.

The **Peruvian Economics Olympiad (PEO)** is a nation-wide economics competition created to connect young economics enthusiasts around the country and aid to develop business skills in the nation's youth. It is the official national franchise of the International Economics Olympiad (IEO) in Peru and has been since 2022.

The **International Economics Olympiad (IEO)** is the largest and most prestigious economics competition for high school students. It is the most recent addition to the roster of International Science Olympiads, having been founded in 2018. As of 2025, it boasted participation from around 50 partner national teams.

#### **Official Pretenses**

Hereby on, the Peruvian Economics Olympiad (PEO) 2026 will be referred to as "the Olympiad" or "the competition."

Hereby on, the *Asociación Educativa Peruana de Economía* (AEPE) will be referred to as "the host organization."

Hereby on, each individual participant of the Peruvian Economics Olympiad (PEO) shall be referred to as "the contestant."

## **ELIGIBILITY**

In order to fulfill the IEO requirements and be therefore eligible for the Olympiad, the contestants must meet all the following requirements, without exception:

- Be enrolled in a secondary-level school, high school, or baccalaureate school in Peru as of December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025
- Have been born on or after June 31st, 2006
- Have either been born on Peruvian grounds or have been a legal Peruvian resident for at least two years prior to the starting date of the competition,
- Have an intermediate to advanced level of both written and spoken English and/or having attended an institution that teaches English as a second language for at least two years,

Any attempt from contestants to hide or wrongfully report information regarding their age, residential status, academic enrollment, or English level will result in said contestant's immediate expulsion from participating in the competition.

Anyone wrongfully pretending to be another contestant during the competition will be forbidden from ever participating at any following Olympiad.

# REGISTRATION

Registration begins on September 24<sup>th</sup> and ends on June April 30<sup>th</sup>. The registration period is divided into:

- o Early registration: until December 31st, 2025, 11:59 GMT-5
- o Regular registration: until April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025, 11:59 GMT-5

The correct steps to register for the competition are the following:

 Verifying that the contestant complies with the eligibility criteria.

Registering through the **registration form** also found in our website: **aepe.org.pe**.

- In case of being over the age of eighteen, signing the Contestant Consent Form; in case of being underage, having a parent or guardian sign the Contestant Consent Form.
- o Covering the appropriate registration fee via wire transfer.

The registration fees are **non-refundable** and as follow:

Early registration: S/50.00

o Regular registration: S/100.00

Contestants may also choose to enlarge their registration fee as a donation to the host organization. All donations made to the host organization will only serve to:

- Cover the financial costs of organizing the competition,
- Cover the preparation costs for the Peruvian team attending the International Economics Olympiad.

## **PHASES**

The competition will consist of three rounds, these being:

- Financial Literacy: a series of multiple-choice and open questions on asset management and investment
- Economics: a series of multiple-choice and open questions on general economic knowledge.
- Business: an oral presentation on a realistic business situation after three days of preparation.

The dates of the three competition rounds are as follows:

- Financial literacy: Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, from 9 a.m. to 11a.m. GMT-5
- Economics: Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.
  GMT-5
- Business: Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup> GMT-5; time will be specified for each contestant.

Contestants participating in the business round will be assigned their case three days prior to their presentation (Wednesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>).

Contestants are encouraged to learn more about the specifics of each round under the **Competition rounds** file, also found in our website: **aepe.org.pe**.

# **WINNERS**

All registered contestants will be sent online AEPE participation certificates as long as they:

- o Attended and completed the first round.
- Fully covered their respective registration fee.

Registered contestants that do not participate in the Financial Literacy round will not be sent participation certificates, regardless of whether or not they covered the registration fee.

All contestants that manage to reach the business round are considered finalists and are given finalist diplomas signed by representatives from the host organization and the panel of judges.

The top five contestants with the highest-scored business presentations will be declared winners of the Olympiad and be granted physical diplomas for their outstanding work.

The top three contestants will be granted official PEO gold, silver, and bronze medals respectively, depending on their business round score.

All five winners will become Peru's official team to participate in the International Economics Olympiad 2026 (IEO 2026).

In order to prepare, the winners will be trained privately **for free** by economics professionals hired by the host organization during the weeks prior to the IEO.