



Project Management Championship 2026



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>>> What is PMC?

Project Management Championship

An international project management competition **for students** under 35-years that aim to complete a Bachelor's or Master's degree at a University or a University of Applied Sciences

- 3-4 persons in each team
- Each team member must be enrolled to University, live in Finland, and be under 35 years old
- Competition language is English

Advantage (but not necessary) if team members have previous Knowledge of **basic Project Management concepts and ICB4**



How to participate?

1. University/UAS decides to participate to PMC (teacher does this) and informs students that they can enroll. Students can also request permission from teacher proactively.

- Entry is free for PRY member schools. Entry fee for non-member organisations is 800€ (+ VAT)
- Number of teams for the qualification round is unlimited, and the responsible teacher gets a free ticket to PM Days ([Projektipäivät 2026](#))
- Young Crew will send the enrolling link for schools (teachers) AND post about it in social media ([LinkedIn](#), [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#)) when the link is available

2. The initial qualification at the school's own pace between 26.1.-15.3.2026

- Each team will enroll themselves through the enrolling link (one person does this)
- The test is taken as a team (the entire team participates)
- Multiple choice test online, based in ICB4 (project Management –part of it) & basic Project Management knowledge (ICB4 will be provided for teams in PDF – this document is provided by YC to be distributed for students)

3. Nationally the six best teams qualify for the national final. National finals dates:

- Part 1 will be held online on 9th April.
- Part 2 will be held on-site in Helsinki on 24th April.
- Both part 1 and 2 are mandatory for teams competing in the finals.

4. International finals in Athens, Greece June 13th – 14th 2026 final

- 2-3 days trip, flight tickets and hotel covered by IPMA Young Crew.

Changes to dates are possible, we'll keep you posted!



Why participate?

The qualifying test can be used as a **part of teaching** project management (earn study points)

Experience for students for future working life

Opportunity to **connect** with like-minded people in **Finland and internationally**

Active participation in **professional networking** and case study events are **beneficial in student's CV**

Social media **visibility in professional networks** (PRY and IPMA YC post actively on LinkedIn, Instagram and Facebook)

Visibility on the article of national and international finals highlighting the teams' success **in the Project Professionals magazine** (Projektimaailma-lehti)





The schedule for PMC 2026

January-February

The competition can be joined throughout the qualifying period



January 26th

The qualification opens



START HERE ↑

January

The competition begins



The winning team's article in the PRY magazine



March 15th

Qualification closes



April 9th, 14:00-16:00
2h online meeting of the six best teams for the Finnish final



April 24th (full day)

Finnish National Project Management Championship
National Finals @ Capital area
GAME DAY

June 13th-14th
International Project Management Finals
@ Athens, Greece

>>> The national final day (part 1)

The best Finnish teams meet online on
**Thursday 9th of April 2026 via
Teams**

The final teams and the jury will introduce themselves and information on how to prepare for the finals part 2 is given



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>>> The national final day (part 2)

The finals will be held on **Friday 24th of April 2026 at Helsinki (Location TBD)**

The teams will work on a case provided by the jury committee

At the end of the day, the lessons and feedback will be reviewed, and the winner will be announced

All teams will be rewarded

Winning team secures a place in the international finals in Greece.



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>>> International final

- 13th-14th June 2026 (Athens, Greece)
- One-day competition, followed by the declaration of a world champion 2025
- Networking with students from other countries
- The schedule and program will be determined later in the spring



>>> Contact details

Registration will close on 15.3.2026

In case you're interested in participating, please let us know by email yc@pry.fi and we'll keep you updated!

Don't hesitate to contact us in case of any questions!



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