UTC stands for Coordinated Universal Time, commonly known as GMT in some countries.

1. The Host Country for PAMO 2021 is Tunisia. PAMO 2021 is a partially virtual event because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Online activities will replace the excursions and/or cultural trips for participants who cannot be physically present.

2. Each virtually participating Country may have a maximum of two Observers A to assist their Leader.

3. Exams must take place in national PAMO Exam Centres, approved by the host organization. Any expenses associated with hiring facilities are the responsibility of participating countries, who are also responsible for ensuring that an Exam Centre is a suitable and safe environment, with all appropriate facilities that are expected at a normal PAMO.

4. The Official Programme for Leaders and Observers A begins on 13 March 2021 and ends on 20 March 2021. In the early phase of the competition, there will be testing of communications and clarifications and possibly other online activities.


6. There will be an online Opening Ceremony on 14 March 2021.

7. The Contest problems will be sent to the leader, some time before the start of the exam, with the two official languages (English and French) by a procedure to be specified by the host organization.

8. Exam conditions: PAMO exams should take place in a sufficiently large room or hall to facilitate social distancing (to the extent required by local authorities and the state of the pandemic). Desks should be widely spaced. It is compulsory that Leaders arrange to use webcams to provide a live feed of pictures of examinations taking place to the Chief Invigilator and PAMO Ethics Committee.

9. The Contest days for PAMO 2021 will be 16 and 17 March 2021. Contestants will sit the Contest in the country they currently reside in, at a location designated
the national PAMO Exam Centre by their Leader. In order to participate officially in PAMO2021, students must sit the exam at the Exam Centre. On each day, the paper must be sat for a single period of four and a half hours, starting at a time 08:30 UTC and finishing 4 hours 30 minutes later. When the virtual PAMO is happening, UTC will be PAMO time. For each Country, all Contestants in a Country must sit the Contest at the same time. All persons receiving the problems, including Contestants, must keep them confidential until 13:00 UTC 17 March 2021.

10. Contestants are allowed to ask written questions in the first half hour of the Contest. Questions do not need to be considered by the Jury. The Leader may give a written answer to a question, provided that it is a question sufficiently similar to one of those on a list of likely questions (and answers) which will be provided by the Host Organization, with the approval of the PAMO Mediator and the President of AMUPAMOC. If there is an unexpected question, leaders must contact the jury in the host country by video conference, before providing a written answer to a student. Records of all questions and answers must be sent with the candidate answer sheets by a procedure to be specified by the Host Organization.

11. The coordination will be very similar to the normal coordination except that it will be done through the pamo2021.cf website and by scheduled videoconference.

12. Medals and Certificates will be posted to Leaders, and it is hoped that, when health conditions permit, national presentation ceremonies will be arranged.

13. There will be an online closing ceremony on 19 March 2021.

14. Leaders must ensure that all child protection measures which are legally enforced in their country of origin are correctly observed.

15. Online registration implies the consent of Participants and Observers to take photos and videos during any online activities of PAMO 2021, with the right of the Host Organization to publish images and videos including images and videos of Participants and Observers, in the Internet, mass media, reports and other official documents of the Local Organizing Committee PAMO 2021. The Host Organization, with the approval of the President of AMU and the President of AMUPAMOC, may vary protocols concerning the conduct of the virtual PAMO 2021 as and when necessary. This contest is unrehearsed, so some flexibility may be required to make matters run as smoothly as possible.

16. Separate detailed documents will be published explaining procedures, technical details and protocols concerning the various aspects of PAMO 2021. This will happen on or before 30 January, 2021. These complementary Regulations only provide an outline.