

Criterion	Excellent	Satisfying	Meeting	Not Meeting
I. Paper composition				
Writing skills	The paper is very professionally written and original; Turnitin score is lower than 20%; all opinions are conveyed clearly; no typos or grammar mistakes are detected.	The paper is professionally written, but its clarity can be further improved; Turnitin score is lower than 20%; several typos and grammar mistakes are detected.	The paper is professionally written overall; Turnitin score is lower than 20%; typos, grammar mistakes, and confusing information occasionally happens.	The paper is poorly written and full of confusing information; Turnitin score is higher than 20%; plagiarism is detected; there are many typos and grammar mistakes.
Organization	The paper is well organized with sections (and subsections, if necessary); there is a detailed introduction of the topic; paragraphs are separated clearly, with each paragraph focusing on argument; line and paragraph spacing is used both properly and consistently; a conclusion concisely summarizes the whole paper.	The paper has a clear organization with sections (and subsections, if necessary) but can be improved further; there is insufficient information in the introduction or conclusion; paragraphs serving different purposes are not separated; line and paragraph spacing is used properly or consistently.	The paper is not clearly organized, lacking a clear layout of sections; line and paragraph spacing is used neither properly nor consistently; paragraphs are separately clearly.	The paper is poorly organized without a clear logic of writing; there is no introduction or conclusion; contents serving different purposes are mixed in the same paragraphs; line and paragraph spacing is used neither properly nor consistently.
II. Economics Analysis				
Arguments	Arguments are explained clearly with details; findings are solidly supported by facts and data; tables and figures (if any) are carefully explained in the text with all necessary information, as well as captions and data sources.	Arguments are provided albeit with insufficient or inadequate reasoning; findings are supported by facts and data; tables and figures (if any) are not explained or cited properly.	Arguments are not clearly explained and not supported by facts and data; tables and figures (if any) are neither explained nor cited properly.	No adequate information and reasoning are provided.

Data analysis	Data come from varied and trustworthy sources; there are detailed explanations on data sources, statistics, and analytics; scientific methods are employed to derive and support the findings.	Data come from varied and trustworthy sources; explanations on data have been provided but there should be more articulations; scientific methods are employed to support the findings.	Data sources lack two of the following characteristics: not varied, not trustworthy, do not reinforce scientific findings. Insufficient explanations on data have been provided.	Data come from anecdotal sources; no scientific information or methods are found. No explanations on data have been provided.
III. Theme and Rigor				
Topic	The topic is highly relevant to the Challenge theme.	The topic is somewhat relevant to the Challenge theme.	The topic has little relevance to the Challenge theme.	The topic is not relevant to the Challenge theme.
Concept	The paper addresses a compelling and important economic concept, contains rigorous contents, and it demonstrates academic research.	The paper lacks either a compelling and important economic concept, or rigorous contents, or demonstrated academic research.	The paper lacks two of the following characteristics: a compelling and important economic concept, rigorous contents, demonstrated academic research.	The paper lacks a compelling and important economic concept, does not contain rigorous contents, and it does not demonstrate academic research.
Citation	The paper credits sources appropriately with a consistent format.	The paper credits sources appropriately but not in a consistent format.	The paper does not credit sources appropriately.	The paper does not credit any sources.
IV. Oral Presentation				
Slides	The slides are very well made and organized, including concise and precise information. Different information is reasonably separated apart in different slides.	The slides are well made but can be improved in their organization and layout of the information. Different information is reasonably separated apart in different slides.	The slides are not well made and not well organized. Different information is often mixed within one slide.	There are no slides being presented.
Collaboration and Speech	All team members collaborate very well, everyone contributes fairly and significantly, and everyone exhibits well-practiced presentation skills.	All team members collaborate well and contribute fairly and significantly, but more practice in their presentation should have been done.	The team members do not collaborate well enough, everyone contributes but not fairly or significantly, more practice should have been done.	The team members do not collaborate well, everyone does not contribute, and there is a severe lack of practice.