On a semi-cloudy summer day, a cool breeze blew across the field and span the wind turbine in the background.

Two parties wearing distinctive attires stood on the green field...

You could feel the tension in the air...

The eyes were sparkling with enthusiasm...

The bodies were full of energy...

This was not a battle...

No, it was way much better... PPRE challenge

An event that became part of the PPRE’s tradition, when every year the current students face their tutors, lecturers, mentors and PPRE’s staff in a friendly sport challenge.

The PPRE challenge has two parts, a volleyball match which serves as a warming leg to the main event, the Football clash.

It is a smart way of giving students some room of having fun with their superiors amid the noteworthy dense and hectic PPRE schedule, and also a cool opportunity, for the students of course, to manifest and impress the staff with entertaining sport show... leave apart the feeling of beating your lecturer on the field, in a fair way definitely.

In fact, the volleyball match was dominated by the staff. It seemed the luck and experience stood to their side and also because we were eyeing the big thing in the next round.

So moving to the football field after losing the volleyball match. We faced the risk of meeting the same fate of our former batch who lost their two games. But we were determined to change that legacy and save our day.

This was duly delivered with a classy show. The students didn't leave much space for the staff to reach our goalkeeper (Casandra), on the other side, Andreas Günther’s goal was threatened continuously throughout the entire game.

The students convincingly scored three goals, our striker Karim managed to score a brace in two teamwork plays while our Man of the Match, Alejandro scored the last goal with a brilliant lop shot.

After securing the three goals, Dr. Heinemann, who frankly caused us a lot of problems with his pace and accurate passes, escaped the marking and sent a nice cross from the right flank before Paulo received the ball and shot it past our keeper to end the game with a honorary goal. The thrilling clash ended with the whistles from Paul Ziethe with a victory of 3-1 to the student’s team.

**PPRE staff team (in dark jerseys):** Jürgen Parisi, Michael Golba, Detlev Heinemann, Edu Knagge, Andreas Günther, Robin Knecht, Hans-Peter Waldl, Nicolay Radychev, Orlando Venegas, Orlando Lucero, Olga Roccio, Jorge Velasquez, Adrian Jimenez
PPRE student team (in light jerseys): Casandra, Alejandro, Jorge Steiner, Jorge Lezaca, Michael Reinwald, Nasreldin, Otto Mak, Martin, Karim, Amin, Hussein, Teklehaimanot, Gunnar

Referee: Paul Ziethe