



International Development







Agenda

Dates	Topics	Morning	Afternoon (Lab. Sessions)		
Monday 17 June	Impact evaluation for development: the state of the art	9:30-11:30 Opening remarks and Introduction to the School (S. Nenci, Roma Tre; F. Rosati, Tor Vergata U.; L. Salvatici, Rossi Doria; C. Pietrobelli, Roma Tre) Overview of the main techniques applied during the School (P. Montalbano, Sapienza University) 11:30-12:00 Break 12:00-13:00 Opening Keynote Speech, David Laborde (FAO)	14:30- 17:00 V. Celli (Sapienza University) STATA crash course		
Tuesday 18 June	Difference in Differences (DiD) and Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT)	9:30-11:00 Difference in Differences: applications to health economics (J. Kopinska, Sapienza University) 11:00-11:30 Break 11:30-13:00 Measuring Remittances: a Randomized Controlled Trial (G. De Arcangelis, Sapienza University)	14:30- 17:00 V. Celli (Sapienza University) Hands-on Difference in Differences (DiD)		
Wednesday 19 June	DiD Assignments & Tutoring (V. Celli, Sapienza University)				
Thursday 20 June	Propensity Score matching (PSM)	9:30-11:00 FAO's approach to Impact Assessment (A. Scognamillo, FAO) 11:00-11:30 Break 11:30-13:00 IFAD's approach to Impact Assessment (R. Cavatassi, IFAD)	14:30-17:00 M. Letta (Sapienza University) Introduction to the main econometric packages		
Friday 21 June	PSM Assignments & Tutoring (M. Letta, Sapienza University)				
Monday 24 June	Generalized Propensity Scores (GPS) and integrating quantitative and qualitative assessments	9:30-11:00 Generalized Propensity Score (E. Magrini, FAO) 11:00-11:30 Break 11:30-13:00 Integrating quantitative and qualitative assessments (C. Pietrobelli, Roma Tre U.)	14:30- 17:00 D. Vurchio (Bari University) How to use Generalized Propensity Score (GPS)		
Tuesday 25 June	GPS Assignments & Tutoring (D. Vurchio, Bari University)				
Wednesday 26 June	Machine Learning (ML) for impact evaluation and Data Sources	9:30-11:00 Machine Learning for Impact Evaluation I (G. Cerulli, CNR) 11:00-11:30 Break 11:30-13:00 Machine Learning for Impact Evaluation II (G. Cerulli, CNR)	14:30-17:00 (S. Gourlay (WB Center for Development Data, C4R2) Designing and evaluating development policies: practitioners' perspectives from the World Bank		
Thursday 27 June	Synthetic control, Regression and Discontinuity Design (RDD)	9:30-11:00 A. Cerqua (Sapienza University) A guide on how to estimate causal impacts in case of one or few treated units 11:30-13:00 A. Cerqua (Sapienza University) Regression Discontinuity Design	14:30-17:00 M. Letta (Sapienza University) Hands-on Session on Casual Machine Learning		







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Friday 28 June Practitioners' perspectives and concluding remarks	9:30-11:00 Integrating estimation and simulation (L. Salvatici, Rossi Doria) Aggregation of impact evaluations through meta-analyses (A. Garbero, IFAD) 11:00-11:30 Break 11:30-12:30 Closing Keynote Speech, Jyotsna Puri (IFAD) 12:30-13:00 Wrap up and course evaluation (S. Nenci,, Roma Tre University; F. Rosati, Tor Vergata U.; P. Montalbano, Sapienza U.)	Optional: Test for Internships
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