

Agenda

Dates	Topics	Morning	Afternoon (Lab. Sessions)
Monday 23 June	Impact evaluation for development: the state of the art	<p>9:30-11:30 Opening remarks and <i>tribute address in Memory of Prof. Luca Salvatici</i> (C. Alvarez, IFAD; M. Giua, Rossi-Doria Centre)</p> <p><i>Introduction to the School</i> (S. Nenci, Roma Tre University)</p> <p><i>Overview of the main techniques applied during the School</i> (P. Montalbano, Sapienza University)</p> <p>11:30-12:00 Break</p> <p>12:00-13:00 <i>Opening Speech</i>, D. Laborde (FAO)</p>	<p>14:30- 17:00 <i>STATA crash course</i></p> <p>V. Celli (Sapienza University)</p> <p>R. Di Stefano (Sapienza University)</p>
Tuesday 24 June	Difference in Differences (DiD) and Randomized Controlled Trial (RCT)	<p>9:30-11:00 <i>Difference in Differences: applications to health economics</i> (J. Kopinska, Sapienza University)</p> <p>11:00-11:30 Break</p> <p>11:30-13:00 <i>Measuring Remittances: a Randomized Controlled Trial</i> (G. De Arcangelis, Sapienza University)</p>	<p>14:30- 17:00 <i>Hands-on Difference in Differences (DiD)</i></p> <p>V. Celli (Sapienza University)</p> <p>R. Di Stefano (Sapienza University)</p>
Wednesday 25 June	DiD Assignments & Tutoring (V. Celli, Sapienza University; R. Di Stefano, Sapienza University)		
Thursday 26 June	Propensity Score matching (PSM) and qualitative assessments	<p>9:30-11:00 <i>FAO's Approach to Evidence-Based Decision-Making</i> (R. Pietrelli; A. Scognamillo, FAO)</p> <p>11:00-11:30 Break</p> <p>11:30-13:00 <i>Integrating quantitative and qualitative assessments</i> (C. Pietrobelli, Roma Tre University)</p>	<p>14:30- 17:00 <i>Introduction to the main econometric packages</i></p> <p>M. Letta (Sapienza University)</p> <p>V. Celli (Sapienza University)</p>
Friday 27 June	PSM Assignments & Tutoring (M. Letta, Sapienza University; V. Celli, Sapienza University)		
Monday 30 June	Generalized Propensity Scores (GPS) and Project Evaluability	<p>9:30-11:00 <i>Generalized Propensity Score</i> (E. Magrini, FAO)</p> <p>11:00-11:30 Break</p> <p>11:30- 13:00 <i>Project evaluability</i> (F. Rosati, Tor Vergata)</p>	<p>14:30- 17:00 <i>How to use Generalized Propensity Score (GPS)</i></p> <p>D. Vurchio (Bari University)</p> <p>R. Di Stefano (Sapienza University)</p>
Tuesday 1 July	GPS Assignments & Tutoring (D. Vurchio, Bari University; R. Di Stefano, Sapienza University)		



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Wednesday 2 July	Synthetic control, Regression Discontinuity Design (RDD), and Data Sources	<p>9:30-11:00 <i>A guide on how to estimate causal impacts in case of one or few treated units</i> (A. Cerqua, Sapienza University)</p> <p>11:30-13:00 <i>Regression Discontinuity Design</i> (A. Cerqua, Sapienza University)</p>	<p>14:30- 17:00 <i>Designing and evaluating development policies: practitioners' perspectives from the World Bank</i> (S. Gourlay, WB Center for Development Data, C4R2)</p>
Thursday 3 July	Machine Learning (ML) for impact evaluation	<p>9:30-11:00 <i>Machine Learning for Impact Evaluation I</i> (G. Cerulli, CNR)</p> <p>11:00-11:30 Break</p> <p>11:30-13:00 <i>Machine Learning for Impact Evaluation II</i> (G. Cerulli, CNR)</p>	<p>14:30- 17:00 <i>Hands-on Session on Causal Machine Learning</i> M. Letta (Sapienza University) (A. Cerqua, Sapienza University)</p>
Friday 4 July	Practitioners' perspectives and concluding remarks	<p>9:30-11:00 <i>Modalities and objectives of impact evaluation</i> (R. Cavatassi, World Bank institute for economic development)</p> <p><i>Aggregation of impact evaluations through meta-analyses</i> (A. Garbero, IFAD)</p> <p>11:00-11:30 Break</p> <p>11:30-12:30 <i>Impact evaluation of development projects</i> (J. Puri, Columbia University)</p> <p>12:30-13:00 <i>Concluding remarks, wrap up and course evaluation</i> (P. Montalbano; S. Nenci; C. Pietrobelli; F. Rosati)</p>	Optional: Test for Internships