

# MAER-Net Colloquium

## Chemnitz University of Technology

### September 23-25, 2026

Program structure (**preliminary**):

Wednesday, Sep 23, 2026 – Day 1 [PhD-Workshop] + [Participants Arrive]	
09:00 - 16:00	<b>Workshop</b> Meta Analysis for PhD students
16:00 - 17:30	<b>Get together</b>
18:00 - 20:00	<b>Supporting program</b>

Thursday, Sep 24, 2026 – Day 2	
{Keynotes: 35 minutes; Plenary talks: 20 min; Parallel talks: 15 min; Discussions: 5 min}	
08:00 - 08:45	<b>Registration</b>
08:45 - 09:00	<b>Welcome Address</b> President TU Chemnitz, Dean of Faculty Economics
09:00 - 10:30	<b>Plenary Session I</b> (Chair: Sebastian Gechert)  <b>Keynote: TOPIC</b> <b>Anna Dreber Almenberg</b> (Stockholm School of Economics) <i>Reproducibility and Robustness of Nature Human Behaviour Papers in 2023-2025</i> <b>Lenka Fiala</b> (Institute for Replication, University of Ottawa) <i>Evaluation of replication success: A statistical perspective and extended analysis of the SCORE data</i> <b>Marcel van Assen</b> (Tilburg School of Social and Behavioral Science)
10:30 - 10:45	<b>Break</b>
10:45 - 12:30	<b>Parallel Session IA: Research Ecosystems &amp; Evidence</b> (Chair: Valon Kadriu)  <i>The effects of data and code availability policies: Evidence from a large-scale difference-in-differences analysis of economics journals</i> <b>Héloïse Hulstaert</b> (Hasselt University and University of Liège) <i>Do Databases Shape the Evidence Base in Economic Meta-analyses?</i> <b>Pablo Kowalski Kutz</b> (Universidad de Deusto)

	<p><i>Fishing for Significance: Hypothesis Testing Involving Multiple Testing with Bayesian and Frequentist Tools</i>  <b>Bariş Karahan</b> (Tilburg University)</p> <p><i>The Prevalence and Impact of Corrections for Multiple Hypothesis Testing in Clinical Trials</i>  <b>Jack Fitzgerald</b> (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam)</p> <p><i>Stumble over a Blunder: Editorial Policy and Research Reporting</i>  <b>Valon Kadriu</b> (University of Kassel)</p>
10:45 - 12:30	<p><b>Parallel Session IB: Growth</b> (Chair: Mehmet Ugur)</p> <p><i>Does Artificial Intelligence (AI) Improve Firm Productivity? A Meta-Regression Analysis of Firm-Level Evidence</i>  <b>Amar Anwar</b> (Shannon School of Business)</p> <p><i>Capital Flight and Investment: A Meta-Analysis</i>  <b>Jarko Fidrmuc</b> (Zeppelin University Friedrichshafen)</p> <p><i>Leverage and Financial Distress: A Meta-Analysis of Empirical Evidence</i>  <b>Ayaz Zeynalov</b> (Prag University of Economics and Business)</p> <p><i>Legal Institutions and Economic Growth: A Meta-Analytic Perspective</i>  <b>Ichiro Iwasaki</b> (Okinawa University)</p> <p><i>Does Democracy Cause Growth? Meta-Analysis Evidence from Replication and Up-to-Date Samples</i>  <b>Mehmet Ugur</b> (University of Greenwich)</p>
12:30 –13:45	<p><b>Lunch &amp; Group photo</b>  <b>Poster Session I</b></p>

**Thursday, Sep 24, 2026 – Day 2 [Continued]**

13:45 - 15:30	<p><b>Plenary Session II: Publication Bias</b> (Chair: Heiko Rachinger)</p> <p><i>Performance of Meta-Analytic Bias Detection Methods</i>  <b>W. Robert Reed</b> (University of Canterbury)</p> <p><i>A star is born: when external incentives give rise to p-hacking and publication bias in economics</i>  <b>Paul Sibille</b> (University of Liège, Hasselt University)</p> <p><i>Living Synthetic Benchmarks: A Neutral and Cumulative Framework for Comparison of Publication Bias Adjusted Methods</i>  <b>František Bartoš</b> (University of Amsterdam)</p> <p><i>Understanding the Limits of Egger Regression in Detecting Publication Bias: Implications for Empirical Research</i>  <b>Heiko Rachinger</b> (Universitat de les Illes Balears)</p>
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15:30 - 15:45	<b>Break</b>
15:45 - 17:30	<p><b>Parallel Session IIA: Climate Policy</b> (Chair: Klaas Miersch)</p> <p><i>The Effect of Carbon Pricing on Innovation: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis</i>  <b>Thi-Kieu-Trang Dong</b> (Hasselt University)</p> <p><i>Investigating the innovation effects of green financial policies in China: Evidence from a meta-analysis</i>  <b>Valeria de los Casares</b> (ETH Zürich)</p> <p><i>Reassessing the effectiveness of carbon pricing: A replication-based meta-analysis</i>  <b>Adam Hardaker</b> (University of Kassel)</p> <p><i>A Slippery Slope: Topographic Variation as an Instrument</i>  <b>Gunther Bensch</b> (Leibniz Institute for Economic Research)</p> <p><i>A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis on the Effectiveness of Climate Policies</i>  <b>Klaas Miersch</b> (Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research)</p>
15:45 - 17:30	<p><b>Parallel Session IIB: Economic Inequality and Inclusion</b> (Chair: Svenja Flechtner)</p> <p><i>A Meta-Study of Intergenerational Income Mobility</i>  <b>Pedro R. Duarte Bom</b> (University of Deusto)</p> <p><i>What Really Drives Financial Inclusion? Evidence from a Meta-Analysis of 3,909 Estimates</i>  <b>Evžen Kočenda</b> (Charles University, Mendel University)</p> <p><i>The nativity wealth gap – a systematic review and meta-analysis</i>  <b>Mathis Herpell</b> (German Institute for Economic Research)</p> <p><i>Economic Sanctions and Supply Chains: Insights from a Systematic Literature Review of a “Foggy” Research Field</i>  <b>Katarzyna Czerewacz-Filipowicz</b> (Institute of Management and Quality Science)</p> <p><i>Inequality and Carbon Emissions: Towards a Systematic Review and Meta-Synthesis of Empirical Evidence</i>  <b>Svenja Flechtner</b> (University of Siegen)</p>
19:00 - 21:00	<b>Dinner – Location to be added</b>

<b>Friday, Sep 25, 2026 – Day 3</b>	
<b>{Keynotes: 35 minutes; Plenary talks: 20 min; Parallel talks: 15 min; Discussions: 5 min}</b>	
08:30 - 09:00	<b>MAER-Net Open Forum</b> (Mehmet Ugur & Tom Stanley)
09:00 - 10:30	<b>Plenary Session III</b> (Chair: Chris Doucouliagos) <b>Keynote: TOPIC</b> <b>Jan C. Minx</b> (Potsdam Institute for Climate Impacts Research (PIK)) <i>The Residual Discontinuity Test for P-Hacking</i> <b>Tomáš Havránek</b> (Charles University) <i>A survey of partial correlation coefficients: Why UWLS should always be reported</i> <b>T.D. Stanley</b> (Deakin University)
10:30 - 10:45	<b>Break</b>
10:45 - 12:30	<b>Parallel Session IIIA: AI, Synthesis &amp; Policy</b> (Chair: Jörg Ankel-Peters) <i>Reporting AI Use in Economics Meta-Analysis</i> <b>Nikolai Cook</b> (Wilfrid Laurier University) <i>Many AI Analysts, Many Papers: Decomposing Estimate Uncertainty in Empirical Economics</i> <b>Alexander Rieber</b> (Ulm University) <i>Ecosystem of Reviews: A New Model for Evidence Synthesis to Support Evidence-Based Policymaking</i> <b>Stephan B. Bruns</b> (Hasselt University) <i>What Is It Like to Evaluate One's Own Funding? A Meta-Analysis of World Bank Reporting on Conditional Cash Transfer Programs</i> <b>Anna Schütze</b> (Dresden University of Technology) <i>The Power of Policy Evaluation</i> <b>Jörg Ankel-Peters</b> (Leibnitz Institute for Economic Research)
10:45 - 12:30	<b>Parallel Session IIIB: Behavioral Economics</b> (Chair: Martina Lušková) <i>What drives the success of financial education programs?</i> <b>Marcus Röckl</b> (University of Augsburg) <i>From RAMSing to Rigor: Improving Moderator Analysis in STEM Education Meta-Research</i> <b>Mehmet Bicakci</b> (Friedrich-Alexander-Universität) <i>A Meta-Analysis of Air Pollution Effects on Suicides: Evidence from 50 Studies</i> <b>Klára Kantová</b> (Charles University)

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	<p><i>Leadership and Self-Efficacy: A Meta-Analysis of Over Two Decades of Research</i>  <b>Michele Bordone</b> (LUISS Guido Carli)</p> <p><i>Meta-Analysis of Field Studies on Beauty and Professional Success</i>  <b>Martina Lušková</b> (Charles University)</p>
12:30 - 13:30	<p><b>Lunch</b></p> <p><b>Poster Session II</b></p>

Friday, Sep 25, 2026 – Day 3 [Continued]	
13:30 - 15:15	<p><b>Plenary Session IV: Methods Innovations</b> (Chair: Jerome Geyer-Klingenberg)</p> <p><i>Beyond the Literature: A Design-Space Approach to Meta-Analysis</i>  <b>Jan Feld</b> (Victoria University of Wellington)</p> <p><i>Meaningless Means? A Tail-Index Test for External Validity in Meta-Analysis</i>  <b>Chishio Furukawa</b> (Yokohama National University)</p> <p><i>Speaking Exaggerated Truths to Power: Excess Statistical Significance in the ‘Post-Truth’ Era</i>  <b>Hristos Doucouliagos</b> (Deakin University)</p> <p><i>Meta-Analysis of Event Studies: A Practical Guide</i>  <b>Jerome Geyer-Klingenberg</b> (University of Augsburg)</p>
15:15 - 15:30	<b>Break</b>
15:30 - 17:15	<p><b>Parallel Session IVA: Environment</b> (Chair: Barbara von Hippel)</p> <p><i>The Influence of Foreign Direct Investment on Carbon Emissions: A Meta-Analysis</i>  <b>Marie Wegener</b> (University Paderborn)</p> <p><i>Revisiting the Renewable Energy-Growth Nexus: Insights from a Meta-Regression Analysis</i>  <b>Jiwei Chen</b> (Erasmus University Rotterdam)</p> <p><i>The Dual Effects of Non-Tariff Measures on African Agri-Food Trade: Revisiting Existing Evidence</i>  <b>Mahlet W. Bekele</b> (PLAAS Institute)</p> <p><i>Robustness in the Deforestation Literature – An Expert-Enhanced Meta-Reproduction</i>  <b>Julian Rose</b> (Leibniz Institute for Economic Research)</p> <p><i>A global synthesis on soil development after glacier retreat</i>  <b>Barbara von Hippel</b> (University of Augsburg)</p>
15:30 - 17:15	<p><b>Parallel Session IVB: Labor and Industrial Economics</b> (Chair: Ludwig List)</p> <p><i>The cyclicity of hiring discrimination. A meta-reanalysis of correspondence experiments</i></p>

	<p><b>Louis Lippens</b> (Ghent University)  <i>Rising Market Power? A meta-analysis of mark-ups</i>  <b>Federico Leon</b> (Roma Tre University)  <i>Minimum Wages and Firm Profitability: A Meta-Regression Analysis of Evidence Based on ROA and ROE Measures</i>  <b>Georgios Giotis</b> (Ionian University)  <i>Official Development Assistance and Real Exchange Rates: Re-examining the determinants of Dutch Disease Among Developing Countries using Meta-Analysis</i>  <b>Colin F. Mang</b> (Mc Master University)  <i>A Century of Weekly Working Time Reductions: A Systematic Literature Review and Meta-Analysis</i>  <b>Ludwig List</b> (Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung, University of Applied Arts Vienna)</p>
17:30	<b>Farewell and Check-out</b>

## Poster Session Presentations

### Poster Session I

1. *What Drives Life-Cycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions of Passenger Cars? Evidence from Meta-Regression*  
**Matteo Ligorati** (University of Augsburg)
2. *How Renewable Energy Shapes Electricity Prices: A Meta-Analysis of the Merit-Order Effect in Europe*  
**Tom Neumann** (University of Augsburg)
3. *Levelized Cost of Hydrogen Storage: Evidence from a Meta-Analysis*  
**Michael Straub-Mück** (University of Augsburg)

### Poster Session II

4. *Green Power, Lower Prices? Evidence from a Meta-Analysis of Electricity Markets*  
**Dávid Kurjak** (Mendel University)
5. *A Meta-Analysis of VAT Distributive Impacts and the Imperative of Spatial Econometrics*  
**Carlos Padilla Morán** (National Autonomous University of Mexico)
6. *Logistics Potential as an Emerging Analytical Category: A Systematised Thematic Literature Review and Conceptual Framework for Regional Logistics Assessment*  
**Katarzyna Czerewacz-Filipowicz** (Institute of Management and Quality Science)