

MAER-Net Colloquium 2026

Chemnitz University of Technology
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September 23-25, 2026

PROGRAM



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Keynote speakers



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Wednesday, Sep 23, 2026 – Day 1 [PhD-Workshop] + [Participants Arrive]		
09:00 - 09:30	Registration PhD Workshop	– room C25.015
09:30 - 16:00	PhD Workshop Meta-Analysis in Economics	– room C25.017
16:00 - 17:20	Get together & Registration MAER-net	– room C25.015
18:00 - 20:00	Supporting Program (visit Chemnitz Museum of Industry)	

Thursday, Sep 24, 2026 – Day 2		
{Keynotes: 35 minutes; Plenary talks: 20 min; Parallel talks: 15 min; Discussions: 5 min}		
08:00 - 08:45	Registration	– room C25.015
08:45 - 09:00	Welcome Address (Chair: Sebastian Gechert) – room C25.014 Thomas von Unwerth (Vice President of Chemnitz University of Technology) Katarzyna Czerewacz-Filipowicz (Bialystok University of Technology, ACROSS) T.D. Stanley (Deakin University, Chemnitz University of Technology)	
09:00 - 10:30	Plenary Session I (Chair: Bianka Mey) – room C25.014 Keynote: <i>(Predicting) Replications and Generalizability</i> Anna Dreber Almenberg (Stockholm School of Economics) <i>Reproducibility and Robustness of Nature Human Behaviour Papers in 2023-2025</i> Lenka Fiala (Institute for Replication, University of Ottawa) <i>Evaluation of replication success: A statistical perspective and extended analysis of the SCORE data</i> Marcel van Assen (Tilburg School of Social and Behavioral Science)	
10:30 - 10:45	Break	
10:45 - 12:30	Parallel Session IA: Research Ecosystems & Evidence (Chair: Héloïse Hulstaert). – room C25.020 <i>Stumble over a Blunder: Editorial Policy and Research Reporting</i> Valon Kadriu (University of Kassel) <i>Do Databases Shape the Evidence Base in Economic Meta-analyses?</i> Pablo Kowalski Kutz (Universidad de Deusto)	

	<i>The Prevalence and Impact of Corrections for Multiple Hypothesis Testing in Clinical Trials</i> Jack Fitzgerald (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam) <i>The effects of data and code availability policies: Evidence from a large-scale difference-in-differences analysis of economics journals</i> Héloïse Hulstaert (Hasselt University, University of Liège)
10:45 - 12:30	Parallel Session IB: Growth (Chair: Maria Siranova) – room C25.014 <i>Does Artificial Intelligence (AI) Improve Firm Productivity? A Meta-Regression Analysis of Firm-Level Evidence</i> Amar Anwar (Shannon School of Business) <i>Leverage and Financial Distress: A Meta-Analysis of Empirical Evidence</i> Ayaz Zeynalov (Prag University of Economics and Business) <i>Does Democracy Cause Growth? Meta-Analysis Evidence from Replication and Up-to-Date Samples</i> Mehmet Ugur (University of Greenwich) <i>Capital Flight and Investment: A Meta-Analysis</i> Maria Siranova (Comenius University in Bratislava)
12:30 - 12:45	Group photo
12:45 - 13:45	Lunch & Poster Session

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

13:45 - 15:30	Plenary Session II: Publication Bias (Chair: Heiko Rachinger) – room C25.014 <i>Performance of Meta-Analytic Bias Detection Methods</i> W. Robert Reed (University of Canterbury) <i>A star is born: when external incentives give rise to p-hacking and publication bias in economics</i> Paul Sibille (University of Liège, Hasselt University) <i>Living Synthetic Benchmarks: A Neutral and Cumulative Framework for Comparison of Publication Bias Adjusted Methods</i> František Bartoš (University of Amsterdam) <i>Understanding the Limits of Egger Regression in Detecting Publication Bias: Implications for Empirical Research</i> Heiko Rachinger (Universitat de les Illes Balears)
15:30 - 15:45	Break
15:45 - 17:30	Parallel Session IIA: Climate Policy (Chair: Klaas Miersch) – room C25.020 <i>The Effect of Carbon Pricing on Innovation: A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis</i> Thi-Kieu-Trang Dong (Hasselt University)

	<i>Reassessing the effectiveness of carbon pricing: A replication-based meta-analysis</i> Adam Hardaker (University of Kassel) <i>A Slippery Slope: Topographic Variation as an Instrument</i> Gunther Bensch (Leibniz Institute for Economic Research) <i>A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis on the Effectiveness of Climate Policies</i> Klaas Miersch (Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research)
15:45 - 17:30	Parallel Session IIB: Economic Inequality and Inclusion (Chair: Svenja Flechtner) – room C25.014 <i>Economic Sanctions and Supply Chains: Insights from a Systematic Literature Review of a “Foggy” Research Field</i> Katarzyna Czerewacz-Filipowicz & Katarzyna Kuźmich (Białystok University of Technology, Faculty of Engineering Management) <i>A Meta-Study of Intergenerational Income Mobility</i> Pedro R. Duarte Bom (University of Deusto) <i>What Really Drives Financial Inclusion? Evidence from a Meta-Analysis of 3,909 Estimates</i> Evžen Kočenda (Charles University, Mendel University) <i>The nativity wealth gap – a systematic review and meta-analysis</i> Mathis Herpell (German Institute for Economic Research) <i>Inequality and Carbon Emissions: Towards a Systematic Review and Meta-Synthesis of Empirical Evidence</i> Svenja Flechtner (University of Siegen)
18:15 - 19:00	Castle pond round trip (≈ 2.5 km walk) (Meeting point Janssen Restaurant – Überweg Chemnitz)
19:00 - 21:00	Conference Dinner – Janssen Restaurant

Friday, Sep 25, 2026 – Day 3	
{Keynotes: 35 minutes; Plenary talks: 20 min; Parallel talks: 15 min; Discussions: 5 min}	
08:30 - 09:00	MAER-Net Open Forum (Mehmet Ugur & Tom Stanley)
09:00 - 10:30	Plenary Session III (Chair: Stephan Bruns) – room C25.014 Keynote: <i>Towards an AI-enabled, scalable evidence bank for what works in climate policies</i> , Jan C. Minx (Potsdam Institute for Climate Impacts Research) <i>The Residual Discontinuity Test for P-Hacking</i> Tomáš Havránek (Charles University) <i>A survey of partial correlation coefficients: Why UWLS should always be reported</i> T.D. Stanley (Deakin University, Chemnitz University of Technology)
10:30 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:30	Parallel Session IIIA: AI, Synthesis & Policy (Chair: Jörg Ankel-Peters) – room C25.014 <i>Reproducible by Design: The Robustness of Social Science Research by Method and Field</i> Nikolai Cook (Wilfrid Laurier University) <i>Many AI Analysts, Many Papers: Decomposing Estimate Uncertainty in Empirical Economics</i> Alexander Rieber (Ulm University) <i>Incentives in academic publishing: Causal evidence on the effects of the 'publish or perish' culture</i> Stephan B. Bruns (Hasselt University) <i>Institutional Conflicts of Interest and Selective Reporting: A Meta-Analysis of World Bank-Affiliated Evaluations of Conditional Cash Transfer Programs</i> Anna Schütze (Dresden University of Technology) <i>The Power of Policy Evaluation</i> Jörg Ankel-Peters (Leibnitz Institute for Economic Research)
10:45 - 12:30	Parallel Session IIIB: Behavioral Economics (Chair: Martina Lušková) – room C25.020 <i>What drives the success of financial education programs?</i> Marcus Röckl (University of Augsburg) <i>From RAMSing to Rigor: Improving Moderator Analysis in STEM Education Meta-Research</i> Mehmet Bicakci (Friedrich-Alexander-Universität)

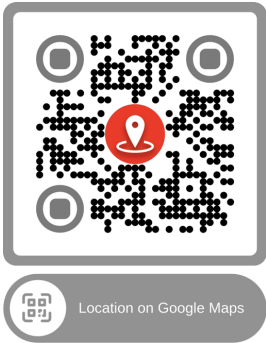
	<i>A Meta-Analysis of Air Pollution Effects on Suicides: Evidence from 50 Studies</i> Klára Kantová (Charles University) <i>Leadership and Self-Efficacy: A Meta-Analysis of Over Two Decades of Research</i> Michele Bordone (LUISS Guido Carli) <i>Meta-Analysis of Field Studies on Beauty and Professional Success</i> Martina Lušková (Charles University)
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch & Poster Session

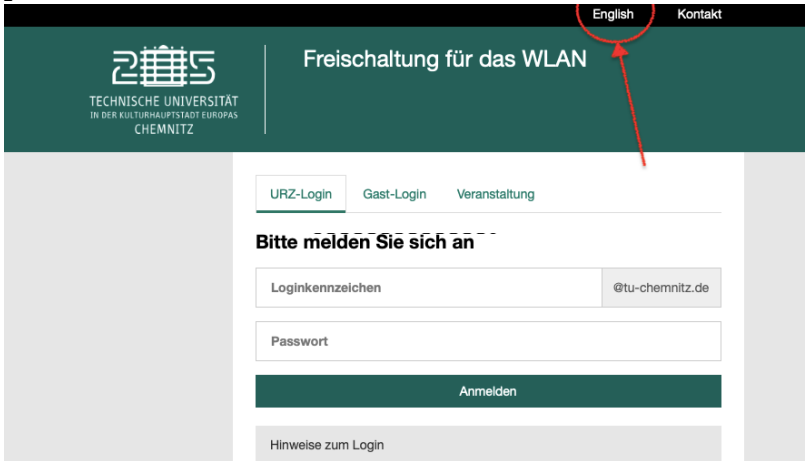
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13:30 - 15:15	Plenary Session IV: Methods Innovations (Chair: Jerome Geyer-Klingenberg) – room C25.014 <i>Beyond the Literature: A Design-Space Approach to Meta-Analysis</i> Jan Feld (Victoria University of Wellington) <i>Speaking Exaggerated Truths to Power: Excess Statistical Significance in the 'Post-Truth' Era</i> Hristos Doucouliagos (Deakin University) <i>Meta-Analysis of Event Studies: A Practical Guide</i> Jerome Geyer-Klingenberg (University of Augsburg)
15:15 - 15:30	Break
15:30 - 17:15	Parallel Session IVA: Environment (Chair: Jiwei Chen) – room C25.020 <i>A global synthesis on soil development after glacier retreat</i> Barbara von Hippel (University of Augsburg) <i>The Influence of Foreign Direct Investment on Carbon Emissions: A Meta-Analysis</i> Cornelius Krüger (University Paderborn) <i>Does Energy Dependency Constrain Price Responsiveness? Evidence from a Meta-Regression Analysis</i> Ali Tok (Chemnitz University of Technology) <i>Robustness in the Deforestation Literature – An Expert-Enhanced Meta-Reproduction</i> Martin Buchner (Leibniz Institute for Economic Research) <i>Revisiting the Renewable Energy-Growth Nexus: Insights from a Meta-Regression Analysis</i> Jiwei Chen (Erasmus University Rotterdam)

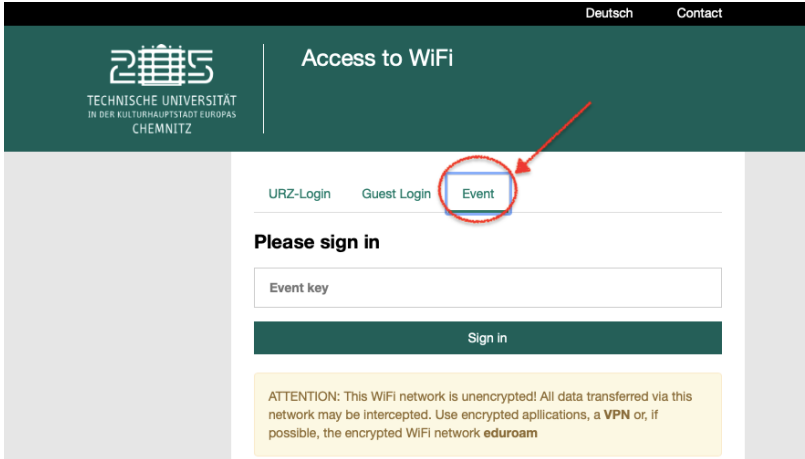
15:30 - 17:15	Parallel Session IVB: Labor and Industrial Economics (Chair: Louis Lippens) – room C25.014 <i>Rising Market Power? A meta-analysis of mark-ups</i> Federico Leon (Roma Tre University) <i>Minimum Wages and Firm Profitability: A Meta-Regression Analysis of Evidence Based on ROA and ROE Measures</i> Georgios Giotis (Ionian University) <i>Official Development Assistance and Real Exchange Rates: Re-examining the determinants of Dutch Disease Among Developing Countries using Meta-Analysis</i> Colin F. Mang (Mc Master University) <i>What Drives Life-Cycle Greenhouse Gas Emissions of Passenger Cars? Evidence from Meta-Regression</i> Matteo Ligorati (University of Augsburg) <i>The cyclicalities of hiring discrimination. A meta-reanalysis of correspondence experiments</i> Louis Lippens (Ghent University)
17:30	Farewell and Check-out

Poster Session Presentations on Thursday (12:45 - 13:45) and Friday (12:30 - 13:30)

- *How Renewable Energy Shapes Electricity Prices: A Meta-Analysis of the Merit-Order Effect in Europe* – **Tom Neumann** (University of Augsburg)
- *Levelized Cost of Hydrogen Storage: Evidence from a Meta-Analysis* – **Michael Straub-Mück** (University of Augsburg)
- *Green Power, Lower Prices? Evidence from a Meta-Analysis of Electricity Markets* – **Dávid Kurjak** (Mendel University)

Addresses, Contact Details & Further Information	
Public Transport	To ensure you can reach all (conference) venues with ease, we recommend purchasing a day ticket in advance. These are available in both digital (you may install an App) and paper formats. For further information, please visit the → CVAG website.
MAER-Net Colloquium  Location on Google Maps	Chemnitz University of Technology, Address: Reichenhainer Str. 70, 09126 Chemnitz Public Transport Stop: "TU Campus" Public Transport: From central station or "Zentralhaltestelle" stop, take tram line 3 toward "Technopark", exit at "TU Campus" stop. Registration for the colloquium takes place on the ground floor of the grey building (C25, Weinhold-Bau), which you will see just ahead and slightly to your right when you get off → Campus-Map
Supporting program  Location on Google Maps	Chemnitz Museum of Industry, Address: Zwickauer Str. 119, 09122 Chemnitz, Phone: +49 371 3676140, https://www.industriemuseum-chemnitz.de/en/ Public Transport Stop: "Industriemuseum" On-site meeting point: In front of the main entrance to the museum; 6:00 p.m. Public Transport: From Chemnitz University take tram line 3 toward "Hauptbahnhof" and change at the "Zentralhaltestelle" stop; then tram line 1 from Zentralhaltestelle toward "Schönau", exit at "Industriemuseum". Meeting point for traveling together by public transportation: "TU Campus" stop; 5:20 p.m.

Castle pond round trip / Conference Dinner  Location on Google Maps	Janssen Restaurant, Address: Schloßstraße 12, 09111 Chemnitz, Phone: +49 371 4590950, www.janssen-restaurant.de On-site meeting point: Castle pond round trip: Überweg Chemnitz; 6:15 p.m. Conference Dinner: Janssen Restaurant; 7:00 p.m. Public Transport: From Chemnitz University, take tram line 3 toward "Hauptbahnhof" (central station) or tram line 13 toward "Burgstädt"; get off at "Roter Turm" stop. From there, it is about a 10-minute walk (650 m) to the central meeting point Überweg Chemnitz (bridge near the Janssen restaurant, see also the QR-Code). On your way, you'll pass the Karl Marx Monument. Meeting point for traveling together by public transportation: "TU Campus" stop; 5:50 p.m.
Wi-Fi	Instructions for connecting to the Wi-Fi: 1. Select the Wi-Fi network with the name: "tu-chemnitz.de" 2. Select English as the language if you prefer 

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