

# ULMA Economic Workshop: Preliminary Timeline

Planning overview for applicant universities and nominated students

Universities apply and nominate students first. Selected universities host the Three-Day On-Site Training locally, delivered by Ulm lecturers, before students collaborate with students from Ulm University during the hybrid replication phase.

## 1. Invitation and Applications

**20 May - 30 June 2026**

Invitation is sent broadly to interested universities. Applicant universities submit the form and nominate 4 to 6 students.

## 2. Review and Selection

**1 - 15 July 2026**

Applications are reviewed at university level. Either all nominated students from a selected university are accepted, or the university is not selected.

## 3. Onboarding and Setup

**16 July - 2 August 2026**

Selected universities confirm local coordination, rooms, internet, and tool setup before Moodle preparation begins.

## 4. Moodle Preparation

**3 August - 13 September 2026**

Students prepare independently with Moodle materials on empirical research, reproducible workflows, AI agents, R, and replication studies.

## 5. Three-Day On-Site Training

**14 September - 30 October 2026**

Ulm lecturers deliver the training locally at each selected host university. Exact dates are agreed with each host university.

## 6. Hybrid Research Phase

**October 2026 - January 2027**

International participants collaborate with students from Ulm University in Applied Data Science: Replication & Extension using GitHub, Zoom, Discord, R, and AI agents.

## 7. Final Presentations

**January 2027**

Teams document their replication workflow and present results in English, including reproducibility checks, deviations, and robustness results.

## 8. Evaluation and Follow-Up

**February 2027**

Participants and host universities provide feedback. The ULMA-EW team evaluates outcomes and discusses future cooperation options.

## On-Site Training Availability Window

Calendar weeks CW 38-44: 14 September - 1 November 2026

Each selected host university hosts one Three-Day On-Site Training within this window.