

EGAP Africa Hub Learning Days Workshop

Organized by Centre de Recherche et d'Action pour la Paix (CERAP),
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Abidjan-Cocody, Côte d'Ivoire



The [Centre de Recherche et d'Action pour la Paix](#) (CERAP), home of the Africa Regional Hub of [Evidence in Governance and Politics](#) (EGAP) will hold a Learning Days workshop in Côte d'Ivoire in June 2024 for 6 days: *5-day intensive aimed at introducing and developing familiarity with causal inference in impact evaluations for scholars and program evaluators in the Global South, and 1-day for a policy event.* It will take place from June 24-29, 2024. The workshop will take place at CERAP's Cocody campus in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.

The workshop is intended for both Francophone and Anglophone Africa-based researchers and evaluation professionals working in academic, non-governmental, and governmental organizations who carry out analyses related to governance and development.

We strongly encourage applications from researchers with training in the social sciences (political science, public administration, development studies, conflict studies, economics, and other related disciplines) who primarily use qualitative methods but have some familiarity with quantitative research. Preference will be given to qualified applicants with degrees from African institutions and those who currently work on (or are planning to work on) studies related to polarization, conflict, and democracy in Africa.

Key topics include research design, causal inference, randomization, estimation, and hypothesis testing. The week will include sessions for individual feedback on participants' research designs and statistical exercises. Accepted applicants will be expected to complete a preparatory exercise before arriving for the clinic.

All lectures will be held in both French and English.

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In order to be eligible for the workshop, applicants must:

- Be currently based at a university, government, or civil society organization in Africa
- Be able to follow a course in English
- Have basic knowledge of statistics
- Have training in the social sciences, with at least some portion of their higher education from an African institution
 - We are not considering applications from scholars who have training exclusively from non-African institutions. If you are not eligible for this reason, but would still like to connect with the EGAP West Africa Hub at CERAP, please fill out this [\[form\]](#).

CERAP and EGAP will cover the financial costs of transportation to and from the workshop location, accommodations (for attendees from outside Abidjan), lunch/snacks at the workshop, and an opening dinner, along with a stipend for other meal expenses. If selected to attend the workshop, participants must arrive before the morning of Monday, June 24, and be in attendance each day through the evening of Saturday, June 29.

Participants must sign a liability waiver.

Applications are currently open. To apply, please [visit this page](#) and complete the form found there, including uploading your CV. Please note that applications will not be considered complete without an attached CV. Applications are due by **23:59 GMT on Friday, March 1, 2024**.

About CERAP

The [Centre of Research and Action for Peace](#) (CERAP) is a research center and higher education institution in Côte d'Ivoire. It was established in 1962. CERAP'S mission is to contribute to the building of a world of justice and peace through education and community outreach. It offers both undergraduate and graduate academic programs. CERAP has implemented projects on reconciliation and violence mitigation since the Ivorian political crisis. CERAP is also home to a publishing house, Editions du CERAP, which contributes to the promotion of African writers.

About EGAP

[Evidence in Governance and Politics](#) (EGAP) is a research, evaluation, and learning network with worldwide reach that promotes rigorous knowledge accumulation, innovation, and evidence-based policy in various governance domains, including accountability, political participation, mitigation of societal conflict, and reducing inequality. It does so by fostering academic-practitioner collaborations, developing tools and methods for analytical rigor, and training academics and practitioners alike, with an intensive focus in the Global South.

About the EGAP West Africa Regional Hub at CERAP

The [EGAP West Africa Regional Hub](#) at CERAP was established to support regionally-based researchers and practitioners in connecting with a global learning community. West Africa-based scholars identify Hub priorities, set the research agenda, share knowledge and foster collaboration with scholars around the world. One of these priorities is to strengthen local researchers' ability to conduct rigorous quantitative impact evaluations.

EGAP is a research network institutionally based at the University of California, Berkeley, USA. As a UC Berkeley-sponsored event, participation is voluntary and signature of the UC general waiver will be required:

https://riskservices.berkeley.edu/sites/default/files/uc_general_waiver.pdf