Economists differ in the way of how they define *development economics*. Some of them use it rather broadly to describe any kind of economic research that deals with developing and emerging market economies. Other economists, by contrast, consider development economics as the research field which examines the determinants of long-run economic growth. In this seminar, the second interpretation is applied.

Objectives

The course aims to familiarize students with the key topics in the current literature on development economics. In addition, after completing the course, students will have first experiences in conducting research in development economics.

General information and prerequisites

Participants should have a solid background in econometrics and an interest in development economics and economic history. To pass the seminar, students must submit a term paper (details follow in the kick-off meeting) and need to participate actively in the seminar. The seminar is in English.

Registration

During the official registration period in July 2023. After the enrollment period, students cannot drop the seminar anymore. No-shows receive a 5.0.

Procedure of the seminar

The seminar will be hold in the winter term 2023/24. We will meet on Friday from 11:45 to 13:15. The kick-off meeting will take place on October 27. Participation in all sessions is obligatory. More details about the procedure of the seminar are provided in the kick-off meeting. In case of urgent questions, please write a mail to tommy.krieger@zew.de.