

## Parallel Session 6

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**Date & Time:** 26/03/2026, 10:00-12:00

**Location:** FRANCESINHAS 1, Room 114

### Dates For Presentation of Progress & Final Report

Group / Topic	Progress Report (April 16 <sup>th</sup> )	Final Report
03. The educational performance of children of immigrants in Portugal	11:30 - 12:00	25/05, 11:00 - 12:00
14. What Is the Effect of Leaving a Customs Union on Trade Flows? Evidence from Brexit	11:00 - 11:30	28/05, 11:00 - 12:00
20. Do People Voluntarily Reduce Choice Sets?	10:00 - 10:30	28/05, 10:00 - 11:00
27. The Impact of Macroeconomic News Timing on Day–Night Volatility Dynamics	TBC	TBC

## HOW WILL YOUR PROGRESS BE MONITORED?

- With the view to monitor their progress, students will be asked to submit a set of assignments.
- Key Deadlines:

March 19<sup>th</sup> - Plenary Session II Memo

April 30<sup>th</sup> - Plenary Session II Memo

March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Preliminary Report

April 7<sup>th</sup> - Progress Report

May 18<sup>th</sup> - Final Report

## **HOW WILL YOUR PROGRESS BE MONITORED?**

- **Progress Report**
  - **This Report is expected to provide a preview of what the ‘Final Report’ will look like:**
    - **The title, which should provide a clear definition of the topic;**
    - **An Index, which should mirror that of the ‘Final Report’;**
    - **An outline of the ‘Final Report’, including a clear description of the methodology that will be adopted;**
    - **A list of bibliographic references that is very close to final.**

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- **Progress Report**
  - **The Report should be structured as follows:**
    - **Cover**
      - **Topic;**
      - **Members of the group;**
      - **Tutor.**
    - **Index (1 Page)**
    - **Introduction, which should cover the following topics:**
      - **Aim - Specify the aim of the research project;**
      - **Justification - Specify why the topic you chose is relevant. Provide empirical evidence to support your argument;**
      - **Outline of the 'Final Report' (at the least one paragraph per each section of the Index).**
  - **Bibliography**

## Goals for this Session

- **At the end of this Parallel Session you will be expected to:\***
  - **Know how what to mention when presenting the Data for your report;**
  - **Know how what to mention when presenting the Methods for your report.**

## How should you structure your Final Report? \*,\*\*

- Abstract
  - Introduction
  - Literature Review
  - **Methodology**
  - Findings Section
  - Conclusion
  - Bibliography
- **Aim: Specify the methodology that will be used to respond to research question / test research hypothesis.**
  - **Ideally, it should cover:**
    - Definition and measurement of key variables;
    - Description of the that that will be analysed
    - Description of the data analysis strategy (descriptive analysis, regression methods, etc.)

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- **Data Limitations**
- **Descriptive Statistics \***

**\* Not relevant for Progress  
Report**

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- **Need to mention:**
    - **Name of the Dataset;**
    - **Source;**
    - **Specify whether data are panel, cross-sectional, or time series.**
    - **State unit of analysis (individual, country, etc),**
    - **State number of observations**
    - **Time period;**
    - **Key variables (Table)**

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### Activity: #1



**WHO:** Group Work

**WHAT:** Prepare a slide providing a description of your Dataset and (potential limitations)

**WHERE:** PPT

**HOW LONG:** 10 minutes

## How should you describe the Methodology

- **Goal:** Explain how your empirical approach identifies a causal effect (“A causes B”).
- **State:**
  - Your Research Question
  - A testable hypothesis
  - **Method Choice:** Clearly specify your identification strategy (e.g., OLS, IV, DiD, RDD, RCT) and why it fits your context.
- **Highlight critical limitations should be addressed with robustness checks.**

### Activity: #2



**WHO:** Group Work

**WHAT:** Prepare a slide providing a description of your Methodology and (potential limitations)

**WHERE:** PPT

**HOW LONG:** 10 minutes