

# WORKSHOP APPLIED PANEL DATA ANALYSIS IN STATA Beirut, 15-18 October 2018

Panel data analysis contains information on many cross-sectional units, which are observed at regular intervals across time. Panel data, by its very nature, can be highly informative regarding dynamic effects across different units and thus they are increasingly used in econometrics, financial analysis, medicine and the social sciences. This introductory course offers participants the opportunity to acquire the necessary theoretical background and the applied skills to enable them to: i) independently employ micro panel data techniques to their own research topics, and ii) to understand and evaluate micro panel data analyses published in the academic literature. The course focuses on the techniques adopted for the analysis of stationary panel data sets, including fixed and random effects models; hypothesis testing; the violations of the basic assumptions of regression analysis; unbalanced panels; instrumental variable estimation techniques and non-linear panel data models. Special attention will also be given to the interpretation and presentation of results. At the end of the course, it is expected that participants are able to implement independently the methodologies and techniques acquired during the three day workshop.

The workshop opens with an optional introductory one day course (Module A) to the statistical package Stata, during which participants will be provided with an overview of the necessary Stata commands and tools to enable them to: a) carry out data analysis, data management, importing and export of different data formats and the creation of graphs in Stata; and b) actively participate in the applied empirical Lab sessions during the course of the Panel Data workshop.

In common with TStat's training philosophy, each individual session is composed of both a theoretical component (in which the techniques and underlying principles behind them are explained), and an applied (hands-on) segment, during which participants have the opportunity to implement the techniques using real data under the watchful eye of the course tutor. Throughout the workshop, theoretical sessions are reinforced by case study examples, in which the course tutor discusses and highlights potential pitfalls and the advantages of individual techniques.

## **TARGET AUDIENCE**

The Panel data workshop is of particular interest to Master and Ph.D. Students, researchers in public and private research centres and professionals working in the following fields: Agricultural Economics, Economics, Finance, Management, Public Health, Political Sciences and the Social Sciences seeking to acquire the "introductory" applied and theoretical toolset to enable them to undertake independent empirical research using panel data.

## WORKSHOP CODE

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## **DATE AND LOCATION**

Beirut, 15-18 October 2018

University of Sciences and Arts in Lebanon (USAL)

Faculty of Management, Finance, and Economics (FMFE)

Airport Road, Ghobeiry, Beirut, Lebanon



## APPLIED PANEL DATA ANALYSIS IN STATA

## PREREQUISITES

MODULE A Introduction to Stata: Familiarity with PCs and a working knowledge of English.

MODULE B Panel Data Analysis: Participants are required to have a good working knowledge of the OLS regression model and the statistical software Stata.

## PROGRAM

1. Stata's GUI

2. File types in Stata

#### **MODULE A**

## INTRODUCTION TO STATA

3. Working interactively in Stata 4. Saving output: the log file 5. Interrupting Stata 6. Loading Stata databases 7. The Log Output File 8. Saving databases in Stata 9. Exiting the software

SESSION I: INTRODUCTION

#### **GETTING STARTED**

SESSION II: PRELIMINARY

#### SESSION III: **DATA MANAGEMENT**

- 2. Selecting or eliminating variables
  - 3. The *count* command

1. Renaming variables

2. Abbreviations in Stata

3. Stata's syntax 4. Summary statistics

- 4. sort command
- 5. Creating sub-groups: the prefix by
- 6. Creating new variables: generate
- 7. Operators in Stata
- 8. The command assert
- 9. Missing values in Stata
- 10. Modifying variables: replace, recode
- 11. Creating Labels: variable labels and value labels

1. A preliminary look at the data: describe, summarize commands

5. Statistical Tables: table, tabstat and tabulate commands

- 12. Creating dummy variables
- 1. Import Excel and Export Excel commands
- 2. The insheet and outsheet commands
- 3. Reading in Text Data Files
- 4. Issues to watch out for when importing data
  - Missing values
  - String variables
  - Date variables
- 5. Redefining missing values
- 6. destring command
- 7. tostring command
- 8. dealing wih "messy" strings

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SESSION IV: **IMPORTING DATA FROM** 

### **SPREADSHEETS**

**DATA ANALYSIS** 

## APPLIED PANEL DATA ANALYSIS IN STATA

- 1. Stata's syntax for two way graphs
- 2. Saving and exporting graphs
- 3. Useful graph commands
- 4. Personalizing a graph
- 5. Stata's Graph Editor

#### **APPENDIX A:**

**SESSION V:** 

GRAPHICS

#### **APPENDIX B:** MORE ADVANCED ISSUES (TIME PERMITTING)

**A BRIEF INTRODUCTION** 

- 1. do files
- 2. Merging data bases

1. Useful to know

- 3. e-class and r-class variables
- 4. *collapse* command
- 5. preserve command
- 6. restore command

### **MODULE B**

#### SESSION I: INTRODUCTION

SESSION III: LINEAR PANEL

#### LINEAR PANEL DATA MODELS WITH **EXOGENOUS VARIABLES**

PANEL DATA ANALYSIS IN STATA

- 2. Random Effects Estimators: xtreg, re; xtmixed
- 1. Robust covariance estimators
- 2. The first-difference estimator
- 3. Testing for non *i.i.d.* errors
- 4. Testing Random Effects against Fixed Effects: hausman
- 1. General aspects of IV and GMM
- 2. Estimators with strictly exogenous IV
  - Fixed and Random Effect IV Estimators: xtivreg
  - Hausman and Taylor's estimator: xthtaylor
- 3. Dynamic panel data estimators: *xtabond*
- 1. The incidental parameter problem in non-linear models
- 2. Probit panel data models: probit, xtprobit
  - Random-effect models
  - · Correlated effects modelled as group means
  - Partial effects
- 3. Logit panel data models: logit, xtlogit
- 4. Random effects
- 5. Correlated effects (conditional logit)
- 6. Poisson panel data models: poisson, xtpoisson
  - Random effects
  - Correlated effects (conditional poisson)

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SESSION IV: LINEAR PANEL

DATA MODELS WITH EXOGENOUS

**VARIABLES: ROBUST INFERENCE** 

DATA MODELS WITH EXOGENOUS VARIABLES

#### **SESSION V: NON-LINEAR** PANEL DATA MODELS

- 2. Panel data: benefits for estimation and inference SESSION II:
  - 1. One-way and two-way fixed effect estimators: xtreg, fe

1. Panel data: definition

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## **REGISTRATION FEES**

#### MODULE A - Introduction to Stata (1 day)

Students\*: € 150.00 Academic: € 350.00 Non-Profit/Public Research Centres: € 425.00 Commercial: € 525.00

#### MODULE B - Panel Data Analysis (3 days)

Students\*: € 735.00 Academic: € 1225.00 Non-Profit/Public Research Centres: € 1513.00 Commercial: € 1800.00

#### MODULES A + B (4 days)

Students\*: € 835.00 Academic: € 1525.00 Non-Profit/Public Research Centres: € 1888.00 Commercial: € 2275.00

\*To be eligible for student prices, participants must provide proof of their full-time student status for the current academic year.

Fees are subject to VAT (applied at the current Italian rate of 22%). Under current EU fiscal regulations, VAT will not however applied to companies, Institutions or Universities providing a valid tax registration number.

Please note that a *non-refundable deposit* of €100.00 for students and €200.00 for Academic, Non-Profit/Public Research Centres and Commercial participants, is required to secure a place and is payable upon registration. The number of participants is limited to 15. Places will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis.

Course fees cover: teaching materials (handouts, Stata *do files* and datasets to used during the course), a temporary licence of Stata valid for 30 days from the beginning of the workshop, light lunch and coffee breaks.

To maximize the usefulness of this workshop, we strongly recommend that participants bring their own laptops with them, to enable them to actively participate in the empirical sessions.

Further details regarding our registration procedures, including our commercial terms and conditions, can be found at https://www.tstattraining.eu/training/panel-data-analysis-stata-10b/



## **USEFUL TEXTS**

Panel Data Econometrics Advanced Texts in Econometrics (2003) di M. Arellano, Oxford University Press

Microeconometrics using Stata, Revised Edition, (2010) di A. C. Cameron e P. K. Trivedi, Stata Press

Econometric Analysis of Cross Section and Panel Data (2010) di J. Wooldridge, MIT Press

## **REGISTRATION DEADLINE**

Individuals interested in attending this workshop must return their completed registration forms either by email (training@tstat.eu) or by fax (+39 0864 206014) to TStat by the 15th of September 2018.

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