





2nd CEPR Applied Micro-Economic History Workshop

5th and 6th February 2026 St. Gallen, Switzerland

Deadline: 16th November 2025 at 23.59 CEST

We are pleased to announce the 2nd CEPR Applied Micro-Economic History Workshop organised with the support of CEPR, the University of St. Gallen and the Swiss National Science Foundation.

The workshop is hosted on the 5th and 6th of February 2026 by the University of St Gallen.

Organisers:

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Goal:

Recent technological advances have opened new, exciting opportunities for the study of our past. Not only do we now have access to several fully-digitized historical censuses: recent developments in AI and machine learning are also allowing economic historians to extract ever larger quantities of information from historical sources, including newspapers, books, and firm reports. All of this is revolutionizing economic history, bringing new data and rigorous empirical methods to the field. The workshop builds on the success of the first edition, which in February 2025 welcomed more than 40 scholars in Heidelberg. As in the first edition, the aim is bringing together leading economic historians working with "big data" and modern econometric techniques. Topics of interest include but are not limited to evaluating the effects of education, health, innovation, and labour policies as well as intergenerational mobility, migration, and economic inequality. Other potential areas may relate to individual investment or savings decisions or political effects on business foundations or insolvencies.

How to apply:

We invite authors to submit completed papers or extended abstracts via the CEPR platform. Preferences are for completed papers. Researchers interested in participating but without a paper to present can apply to discuss one of the works. Feel free to share this call with anyone you think may be interested and **please note that the event is in person only.**

Deadline for application: 16th November 2025, 23:59 (Paris/ Geneva/ Frankfurt time).

Funding:

The workshop takes place in St Gallen: accommodation at Hotel Einstein and presentations at the University of St Gallen. Funding to cover part of accommodation and travel will be available (economy travel and up to two night). Please indicate in your submission if you require funding.

We expect participants to stay for the entire duration of the workshop (morning of the 5th until the afternoon of the 6th of February).

We are organising a conference dinner, please indicate if you like to participate. You may be asked to cover part of the costs in case you participate.

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If you have any difficulties submitting your paper, please contact Jemila Benchikh, CEPR Events Officer at jbenchikh@cepr.org.

The deadline for application is 16th November 2025, 23:59 (Central European Summer Time). We cannot accept submissions received after this date.