

Study Project 2019 / 2020

The resource curse: From research to policy

October 2019 – June 2020

12 ECTS

HU Berlin, Resource Economics Group in cooperation with DIW

Trainers:

Achim Hagen, Dawud Ansari, Franziska Holz, Mariza Montes de Oca Leon

Our upcoming study project will focus on the resource curse. The resource curse consists of a series of adverse effects that affect the entire economy, including individual markets and sectors, and that are strongly linked to the institutions in resource-rich countries.



There are two parts to this study project:

First, you will conduct an individual country (or region) case study on the resource curse. The case study aims at finding novel patterns, generating insights about the dynamics of the resource curse, and investigating policy options. We shall begin with a series of lecture-style classes and then proceed with regular meetings to discuss updates on your research. The best case studies will be chosen for publication in a book or a report.

- Have the chance to publish in a forthcoming book
- Learn how to transfer academic research to other sectors
- Learn how to communicate with stakeholders
- Learn how to apply for funding and how to organise events
- Network with professionals from the organising partners and stakeholders

Requirements

- Enrolled as a master (or PhD) student in a relevant discipline at a Berlin university
- First experience in (academic) research
- Knowledge in development economics or policy
- Willingness to work both individually and in groups
- Specialised language skills for your case study country (recommended)

The **second** part of the project will be about transferring your results to policy. After an introduction to the policy process and the role of different actors, your class will be fully responsible for organising a policy workshop. With our help, you will apply for grant funding, take care of logistics, choose your audience, and frame your research in order to convey it to decision-makers.

Moodle course: Study Project 2019 / 2020 - The resource curse: From research to policy (Enrolment key: SPRC1920)

First session (90 min - compulsory attendance for registration): Oct 15th, 11am at Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, Room 1.22. (1st floor), Hannoversche Str. 27 (House 12)