

Digital Finance and Financial Inclusion in Latin America and the Caribbean

A Research Network Project RG-K1198

Calendar

The tentative schedule of activities is as follows:

- **September 29, 2024:** Due date for **receiving proposals**. Institutions should ensure that the complete documentation is submitted to the coordinating committee. Complete documentation includes the registration form with all the information requested, the research proposal, budget, and curriculum vitae (CVs up to three pages long).
- **October 14, 2024:** Announcement of **selected research proposals**.
- **October 30, 2024:** **Submission of signed agreements** between IDB and the awarded institution. The agreement must be signed by the legal representative of each institution. Selected proposals that fail to comply with the deadline will be ineligible to receive research funds from this Call for Research Proposals.
- **November 1, 2024:** **First Discussion Seminar** to be held virtually via **Zoom** with the research leaders of the studies for the purposes of presenting their proposals and the methodologies to be used in the studies, as well as brief preliminary discussions.
- **November 30, 2024:** Due date for receiving a **first draft** of research papers. The drafts should include an outline of the paper, a draft discussion of the related literature, a description of the context and institutional background, a detailed description of the methodology, and a description of the data to be used. Though welcome, results are not expected for the first draft.
- **April 2025** (Date to be determined): **Second Discussion Seminar** in Washington, D.C. with the research leaders of the studies (or designated team members previously approved by the IDB) to discuss updated drafts of the research papers.

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- **June 1, 2025:** Due date for receiving a **second draft** of the research papers, incorporating the changes associated with the feedback received from the coordinating team during the Second Discussion Seminar.
- **August 30, 2025:** Deadline for **final versions** of the research papers, including summaries that discuss policy implications. Data and replication files should be submitted by this date. Research papers must follow the **IDB Manual of Style** for working papers. Studies that are of good quality at this stage will be considered for publication in the **IDB Working Papers series**.