



Queries and responses on the request for research proposals

Analysis on firms and taxation using micro data from Uganda

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Q.1 Is it possible to have access to the data before writing the proposal?

A.1 No. The data cannot be accessed before writing the proposal.

Q.2 Is the request only related to the data in the research lab, or is it possible to write any proposal?

A.2 The request is only related to the data in the research lab. Proposals which do not take advantage of the URA firm panel will not be considered.

Q.3 Does the research need to be carried out only within the research lab?

A.3 Yes. Researchers can only work on the data in the research lab. Researchers can write the codes on their computers and use those in the research lab. Research lab assistants can help researchers transfer the codes to the computer.

Q.4 Can I get the data outside the research lab and use it [at home] when it is more convenient for me?

A.4 No. For data security reasons, the data cannot be taken out of the research lab.

Q.5 Do researchers have to be in Uganda, or can they access the data remotely?

A.5 Yes, researchers must be in Uganda. As the data is sensitive firm-level information, researchers are required to use the data at URA premises in Kampala, Uganda, to ensure the security of the data. Therefore, remote access is not possible.

Q.6 Is it possible to get the questionnaire for the URA firm-level panel data?

A.6 Yes. As the data is information filed on the tax return, you can find the content from the tax return form for corporate income tax. The corporate income tax return form can be found labelled 'Income tax return form for non-individual' on the URA webpage.

Q.7 Can I come with my laptop to the research lab and access the internet using a dongle or mifi?

A.7 Yes. You can use your laptop and mobile phone in the research lab and access the internet using a dongle or mifi. However, because of data security reasons, you cannot connect a dongle or mifi to the lab computers, and there will not be Bluetooth or USB access. Also, taking photos of any content or material on lab computers is strictly prohibited.