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Abstract to the Data Science Summer/Winter School 2025-2028

Our Summer School always takes place in France and lasts ten days during the lecture-free period. The Winter School, which also lasts ten days, is held in a distant location—such as North America, Asia, or Oceania—during February. Each session focuses on a specific field within Data Science. Through company visits and on-site practicums, students gain valuable insights into innovative applications of Data Science in areas such as health analytics, smart cities, financial services, and supply chain management. Depending on the ZHAW exam schedule, the Winter Schools are held in weeks 5/6 or 6/7, while the Summer Schools take place in weeks 26/27 or 27/28. The programs are designed to provide practical skills in Data Science and foster an understanding of working in an international environment. They serve as an ideal complement to the modules offered on campus. Since the curriculum of each session is unique, students can attend two different schools during their Master's program. Additionally, for more distant destinations, we offer an optional one-week cultural program, allowing participants to experience the local culture in depth. A minimum of twenty participants is required for each session. The programs are open to students from partner institutions worldwide, and international participants often join the sessions.

Next schools:

- HS 2025: Winter School, February 2026
Place: Mysore (India)
Partner: Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDMIMD)
<https://www.sdmimd.ac.in/>
Minimum number of participants: 20
- FS 2026: Summer School, July 2026
Place: Bayonne, Biarritz (France)
Partner: L'Université de Pau et des Pays de l'Adour (UPPA)
<https://organisation.univ-pau.fr/fr/index.html>
Minimum number of participants: 20
- HS 2026: Winter School, February 2027, Place: ~~Lima (Peru)~~¹ - in discussion
- FS 2027: Summer School, July 2027, Place: Bayonne, partner as above, confirmed
- HS 2027: Winter School, February 2028, Place: Prague (Czechia) - in planning
- FS 2028: Summer School, July 2028, Place: Bayonne, partner as above, confirmed

Curricula development partner: The Business Analytics Institute, Bayonne (France), <https://www.baieurope.com>

¹Due to a *gang extortion crisis* in Lima, we regret to inform you that we are no longer able to host the Winter School in February 2027 at the originally planned location.

We are currently in discussions with universities in Chile, Shanghai (China), Singapore, and New Zealand to identify a suitable alternative. The final destination will be announced in summer 2026 on <https://www.baieurope.com>.

We encourage interested participants to sign up for updates to stay informed about the new location.

Version History

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0.6	07.09.2022	Revised Version
0.7	12.04.2023	Revised Version
0.8	09.09.2025	Revised Version, added Prague, Lima
0.9	09.01.2026	Revised Version, removed Lima, new destination for Lima in discussion

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