



WORKSHOP

**NEW INSIGHTS INTO
COLLECTIVE DECISI-
ON-MAKING**

12-13 FEBRUARY 2026

A WORKSHOP BY THE
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COLLECTIVE DECISION-MAKING
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COLLECTIVE DECISION-MAKING: NEW INSIGHTS

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COLLECTIVE DECISION-MAKING AND NEW INSIGHTS

The workshop brings together junior and senior researchers to discuss their latest theoretical, experimental and empirical research on collective decision-making. The presentations deal with collective decision-making in many different situations, including elections, legislation, and union negotiations.

THURSDAY, 12 FEBRUARY 2026

9:00-9:15 a.m. *Coffee and Welcome*

Session I: Party Behavior

9:15-9:55 a.m. **Christian Bohlen**
Second-Order Elections and Issue Attention in Parliament: The Timing of State-Level Elections and their Influence on National Party Agendas

9:55-10:35 a.m. **Rosella Merullo**
Women's Leadership and the Expansion of Populist Radical Right Party Agendas

10:35-11:15 a.m. **Ilayda Yücel**
The Patterns of Political Access: Candidacy, Placement, and Success of Visible Minorities in Germany

11:15-11:45 a.m. *Coffee*

Keynote

11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. **Micael Castenheira**
Pack-Crack-Pack: Gerrymandering with Differential Turnout

1:00-2:00 p.m. *Lunch*

Session II: Justice

2:15-2:55 p.m. **Tim Schnelle**
Institutional Self-Dealing in Constitution-Making— Empirical Evidence from 1789 to 2024

2:55-3:35 p.m. **Shams Mammadi**
Acceptance of Getting Transfers and Evading Taxes by Fraud or Loophole Exploitation

3:35-4:15 p.m. *Coffee*

4:15-4:55 p.m. **Luchino Hagemeier**
Unreasonable Limitarianism

4:55-5:35 p.m. **Dorela Degjoni**
Obstacles to Achieving Relational Equality

7:00 p.m. *Dinner*

FRIDAY, 13 FEBRUARY 2026

9:00-9:15 a.m. *Coffee*

Session III: Causality and Responsibility

9:15-9:55 a.m. **Felix Riechmann**
AVs, AI and Accountability: Empirical Evidence on Reinforcing Accountable Behavior in Autonomous Driving Vehicles

9:55-10:35 a.m. **Gesa Amann**
Prerogatives for Bystander Intervention

10:35-11:15 a.m. **Frederico Pollachini**
Causal Mechanisms within Collective Actions

11:15-11:45 a.m. *Coffee*

Keynote

11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. **Moritz Schulz**
Decisions about Blame and Punishment

1:00-2:15 p.m. *Lunch*

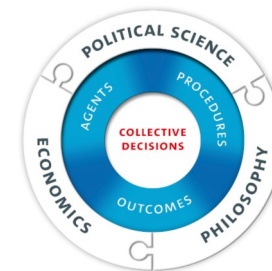
Session IV: Collective Bargaining and Deliberation

2:15-2:55 p.m. **Lore-Marie Junghans**
Trade Unions' Democratic Credentials: Bringing Organizing (Back) In

2:55-3:35 p.m. **André Frank**
The Political Strategy of Unions: Strikes during U.S. Presidential Elections

3:35-4:15 p.m. **Laura Engel**
Dependence Falsification in Group Deliberation

4:15-4:45 p.m. *Coffee and Farewell*

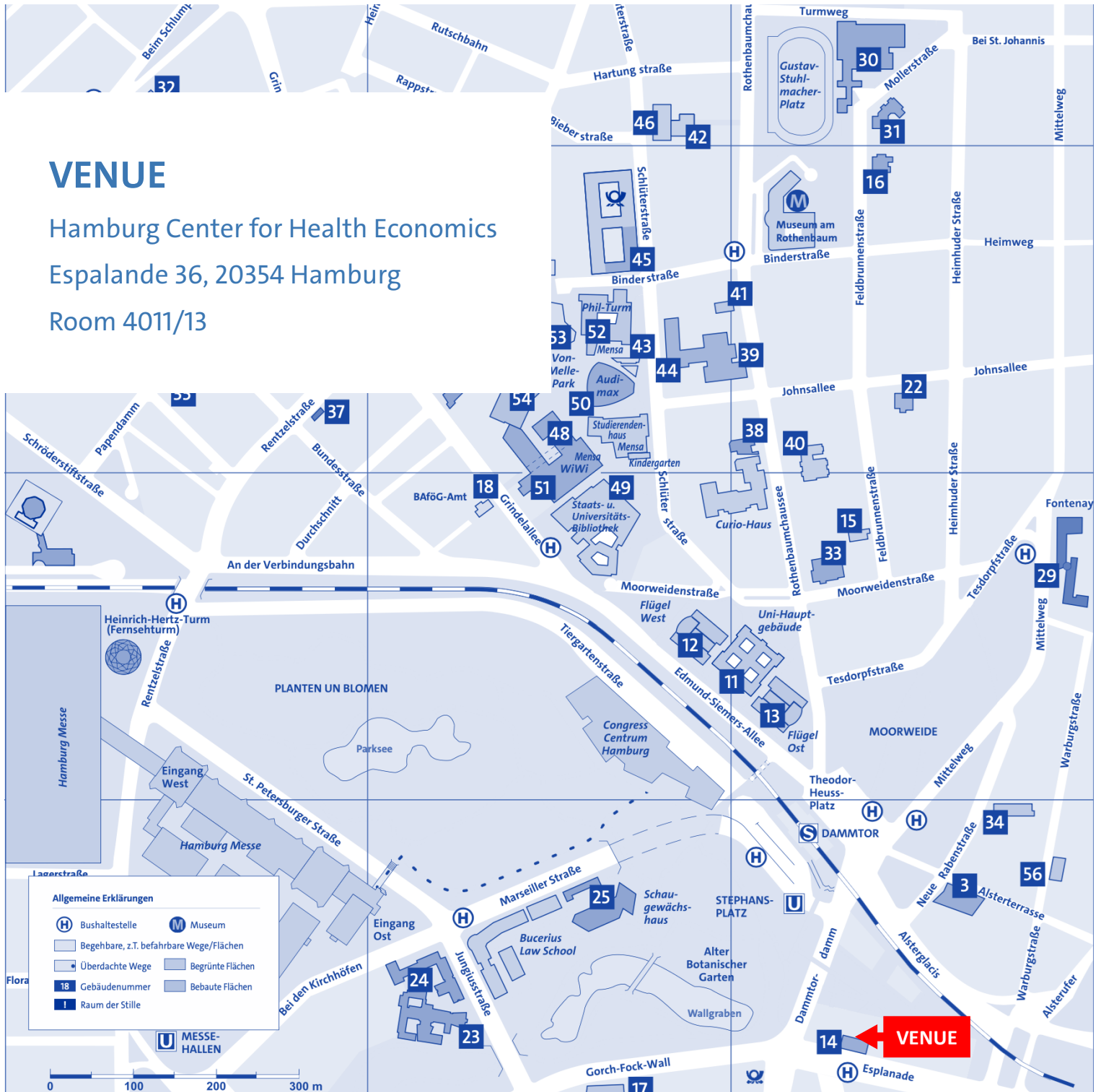


VENUE

Hamburg Center for Health Economics

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Room 4011/13



REGISTRATION

A limited number of seats is available for guests. If you would like to register for the workshop please send an email to cdm.wiso@uni-hamburg.de.



EMERGENCY INFORMATION

In Case of Emergency, the following phone numbers are important

Police: 110

Medical Emergency: 112

ARRIVING IN HAMBURG

By Airplane

The Hamburg Airport is situated in the north of the city. If you want to go directly to the conference location or the Hotel Vorbach you can take one of the following connections:

Train:

Take the S1 (Wedel/Blankenese) to Ohlsdorf and from there the U1 (Farmsen/Ohlstedt/Großhansdorf) to Stephansplatz, which is in walking distance to the location (3 minutes in total).

Taxi:

Taxi stands are right in front of the Airport. The ride to the location will take about 35 minutes.

The Hotel Vorbach (Johnsallee 63) can be reached using similar connections. Take the U1 to Hallerstraße, from which it is only 8 minutes to the hotel. From the hotel to the location it is a 15 minute walk.

By Train

If you arrive at Hamburg Central Station, you can take the U1 (Ohlsdorf/Norderstedt Mitte) to Stephansplatz.

FREE TIME

Public Transportation

Find the timetable info for all lines run by the HVV [here](#). Especially the line 62 ferry operating between Landungsbrücken and Finkenwerder is a nice and cheap way to get a view at Hamburg from the harbourside.

Stadtrad/Citybike

The city of Hamburg offers a bike-sharing service called "Stadtrad" which you can use for free for the first 30 min of each ride. All you need to do is to download the Stadtrad-App and create an account. Stations can be found all over the city. At the university, the next stations are at Dammtor Station or at Grindelhof/Bornstraße.

E-Scooter

Besides public transport, E-Scooters are a convenient way to get around for short distances. The scooters do not have to be placed at specific stations but can be parked wherever you want. In order to use them, you must download an app and create an account with one of the multiple providers. Most providers charge a fee for unlocking and offer pay-per-minute or daily passes.

Planten un Blomen

Planten un Blomen is one of Hamburg's many parks and a popular time-out spot in the middle of the city. The park is located in walking distance to the University (closest entrance right behind the Dammtor station).

Outer Alster

The Alster lake is one of Hamburgs trademarks. Taking a walk all around the Outer Alster will take you approximately 1.5 hours.

Harbour/Elbphilharmonie

Hamburg's harbour is one of Europe's largest ports, where ships, warehouses, and waterfront promenades meet. Right beside it rises the Elbphilharmonie, a striking glass concert hall, offering world-class music and free visits with panoramic views over the Elbe river.

DIGITAL TOURS

Digital UHH Tour

Find our digital campus tour [here](#).

Colonial Places App

The research team at the research center for Hamburg's (post-) colonial legacy headed by Prof. Dr. Jürgen Zimmerer has created an app that makes Hamburg's colonial history accessible by smartphone. Read more about the app [here](#).

WORKSHOP WEBSITE

