

MEMO

To: **SEMINAR SERIES II STUDENTS, MIB**
Date: October 6 2026
Course: Seminar Series II (MIB 8104)
Academic Year: 2026/2027, Semester One
Subject: **STRUCTURE OF THE NEXT LECTURE AND REQUIRED PRESENTATION (TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2026, 17:30 TO 21:30)**
From: Assoc. Prof. Aaron ECEL, Ph.D | Internal Examiner

1. Purpose

This memo communicates the structure of the next Seminar Series II session and the presentation each student is required to prepare. The session will focus on the methodological foundations of your proposed studies, so that each research design receives early, constructive peer and faculty feedback before data collection / extraction.

2. Presentation Requirement

Each student shall prepare a presentation of **exactly three slides** following the template below. Slides should be concise, legible, and limited to key points rather than full paragraphs.

Slide	Required Content	Guidance
Slide I: Title	Topic; Name of Student	▪ State the working title of your study in full, followed by your full name and registration number.
Slide II: Research Design	Research Question(s); Population; Sampling	▪ State the main research question(s). ▪ State the target population, its size, and the source of that figure. ▪ Brief explanation as how your sample is representative of the population
Slide III: Data Instrument	Data Collection or Extraction Instrument	▪ For primary data, describe the instrument (questionnaire, interview guide, or observation checklist), the measurement scale. ▪ For secondary data, describe the extraction template, data sources, variables, and the period covered.

4. Submission

Submit your slides in PDF format via <https://forms.gle/YuD29HMLHmn74Htj7> by [October 6th 2026 at 17:20]. Name the file as follows: **Surname- FirstName, MIB8104 Slides.**

7. WEEK 9 (OCT 06 2026) – DATA COLLECTION / EXTRACTION INSTRUMENT	×
8. WEEK 10-12 – DATA COLLECTION	×
9. WEEK 13 (NOV 3RD) – PRESENTATION OF FINDINGS	×
10. NOVEMBER 10TH 2026: Course Work II, Submission (Chapters 3 & 4)	×
11. WEEK 14 – FULL DRAFT INTEGRATION & PEER REVIEW	×
12. FINAL EXAMINATIONS: EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDER PRESENTATIONS	×

5. Addition to Course Work One results

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NAME	Content & essence alignment (X/8)	Literature review quality (X/6)	Referencing accuracy (APA 7) (X/4)	Structural compliance (X/2)	TOTAL (X/20)	100%
1 AKANYIJUKA Ezra	5	3	2	1.5	11.5	57.5

- a. 'Côte d'Ivoire and Ghana together account for about two thirds of global bean output.' This held in earlier years, but with 2023/24 West African shortfalls their combined share fell well below that.
- b. The 2023/24 ICCO world output figure is cited to ICCO (2026), Verter (2016) and Boansi (2013). Studies from 2013 and 2016 cannot support a 2023/24 statistic.
- c. 2023 and 2024 Comtrade data are cited as "United Nations Statistics Division, 2024." 2024 trade data could not be in a 2024 release.
- d. Statement of the Problem: The problem is framed only as a research gap (Uganda's boom has not been placed next to that standard). A problem statement should first establish the practical problem, then its consequence for Uganda, and only then the knowledge gap. *It should have a three-part structure: ideal situation, current situation with evidence and consequence if unaddressed.*
- e. Research Question 3 is conditional, which presupposes the findings.
- f. Literature review
 - Heavy reliance on press and grey sources (Daily Monitor, New Vision, African Leadership Magazine) for core figures.
 - Few studies from 2022 to 2026
 - No discussion of the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR)
 - Comparators limited to West Africa
- g. There is factual error in computed figures, and many citations that do not support the claims attached to them.

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