In this workshop, we welcome Gareth Nellis and Claire Adida, who will present their experiences in participating in the first of EGAP’s Metaketas — a coordinated approach to providing rigorous, externally valid and reproducible research results in social science. This pathbreaking effort fielded a series of seven randomized controlled trials run by 29 different scholars. Each experiment provided information about the performance of politicians immediately before an election.

They will present the results of the study, then dig deeper into the process of research coordination. Nellis will present the online tools that have been developed to allow for fully transparent replication of the research results, including the meta-analysis of all studies pooled. The workshop will conclude with a discussion of the implications for democracy promotion and the conduct of research in the social sciences.