<u>DS4A / Colombia 2020:</u>
<u>Project Selection Process</u>

This document details how projects will be selected and assigned. Please read the instructions before proceeding.

<u>Instructions</u>
1. **You and your team should review the project list.** This list contains projects submitted by private and public Colombian entities to be solved by you using the data science techniques you learn in the course.
2. **Decide with your team the top 10 projects you prefer**. You should discuss the projects as a team and determine which projects interest you the most. If there is a custom project that you want to create and solve instead, you can propose that as well. If you do want to do a custom project, you should think about the problem statement and where you will get the data you need. <u>You should discuss this project proposal with your TAs and get their approval.</u>
3. **Decide who will be the contact person for your team.** This will be the person that will complete the Typeform in Step 4. This person will be the point of contact that the project entity communicates with.
4. **[Complete the project preferences typeform.](#)** Using this link, you should indicate your preferences for the project as determined in Step 2.
   a. **<u>Only ONE person per team</u>** should complete the form.
   b. The deadline to submit the form is **<u>Saturday, September 5 at 11:00pm</u>**

<u>Before September 11</u>, you will find out which project you will be assigned to. Correlation One will perform matchmaking to match your team with a project based on your preferences. <u>Please note that you may not be assigned to any of the projects that you indicated.</u> We will do our best to assign you one of these projects, but we cannot guarantee that you will get one of them.

<u>Once project decisions are finalized, they cannot be changed.</u>

<u>Preview of Next Steps</u>
- You will receive your project assignments before September 11
- If you are working on a Colombian entity project, Correlation One will share the data sets and the contact information of the project entity with you.
  - You should reach out to the contact person for the project to schedule a meeting. This is to discuss goals for the project, clarify any doubts, and establish communication norms with the project entity for the rest of the course.
- If you are working on a project you came up with, you will start looking for the data for your project.