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Current Appointment

ECONOMIST AT WORLD BANK, DEVELOPMENT IMPACT EVALUATION (DIME) DEPARTMENT

2021 -

Education

University of California, Berkeley

PHD, HAAS SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

2016 - 2021

Pontifícia Universidade Católica (PUC-Rio) - Brazil

M.A., ECONOMICS

2011 - 2013

Pontifícia Universidade Católica (PUC-Rio) - Brazil

B.A., INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

2005 - 2009

Peer Reviewed Publications

Corporate Taxation and Evasion Responses: Evidence from a Minimum Tax in Honduras (with Felipe Lobel and Pedro Zuniga) - **American Economic Journal: Economic Policy (forthcoming)**

Selecting Top Bureaucrats: Admission Exams and Performance in Brazil (with Laura Schiavon and Ricardo Dahis) - **The Review of Economics and Statistics 2023; doi: https://doi.org/10.1162/rest_a_01311**

Political Selection and Bureaucratic Productivity (with James Habyarimana and Stuti Khemani). **Economica. 2023; 90(359): 746 - 779. doi: [10.1111/ecca.12470](https://doi.org/10.1111/ecca.12470)**

Working papers and work in progress

Corporate Responses to Size-Based Tax Rates in Lithuania (with Pablo Garriga) *World Bank Policy Research working paper n. WPS 10500*

Targeting in Tax Compliance Interventions: Experimental Evidence from Honduras (with Giselle Del Carmen and Edgardo Enrique Hernandez) *World Bank Policy Research working paper n. WPS 9967*

Building State Capacity: What is the Impact of Development Projects? (with Vincenzo di Maro, David Evans and Stuti Khemani) *World Bank Policy Research working paper n. WPS 9875*

VAT Refunds and Firms' Performance: Evidence from a Withholding Reform in Honduras (with David Pinto and Jose Carlo Bermudez)

Two Decades of Top Income Shares in Honduras (with Giselle Del Carmen, Santiago Garriga and Wilman Nuñez)

The Financial Risk of Winning a Procurement Contract: Evidence from Chile (with Andres Gonzalez-Lira)

Local Procurement and Firm Performance: a Novel Database of Subnational Purchases in Brazil (with Ricardo Dahis, Lucas Nascimento, Bernardo Ricca and Nathalia Sales)

Promotions, Performance, and Diversity in the Brazilian Judiciary (with Laura Schiavon and Ricardo Dahis)

Conferences and Invited Talks

COMMITMENT TO EQUITY (CEQ) & WORLD BANK WORKSHOP

2023

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC FINANCE (IIPF), ZURICH CONFERENCE ON PUBLIC FINANCE IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES (DISCUSSANT)

2022

WORLD BANK DIME, TULANE UNIVERSITY, CENTER FOR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT, PUC-RIO, INSPER, NBER PUBLIC ECONOMICS SPRING MEETING [JOB MARKET YEAR]	2021
INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC FINANCE (IIPF); SOCIETY FOR INSTITUTIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL ECONOMICS(SIOE); BERKELEY PUBLIC FINANCE SEMINAR; BERKELEY DEVELOPMENT SEMINAR; NTA 113TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE; EGSC AT WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY	2020
NOVAFRICA CONFERENCE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA	2019
WORLD BANK ABCDE CONFERENCE	2018

Awards and Grants

RESEARCH SUPPORT BUDGET (RSB) - PUBLIC PROCUREMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR: EVIDENCE FROM A NOVEL DATASET ON SUBNATIONAL PROCUREMENT IN BRAZIL	2022
KNOWLEDGE FOR CHANGE PROGRAM (KCP) - UNDERSTANDING THE DETERMINANTS OF PUBLIC PROCUREMENT EFFICIENCY: EVIDENCE FROM ADMINISTRATIVE AND SURVEY DATA FROM BRAZIL	2022
GLOBAL TAX PROGRAM – EFT - STRATEGIES TO IMPROVE TAX COMPLIANCE	2022
GLOBAL TAX PROGRAM – TAX POLICY ANALYSIS TO BUILD CAPACITY AND IMPROVE EQUITY	2022
INTERNATIONAL TAX AND PUBLIC FINANCE PHD STUDENT AWARD AT IIPF	2020
UC BERKELEY'S 2019 OUTSTANDING GSI AWARD (AWARDED TO TOP 10% OF TAs)	2019
WEISS FAMILY FUND EXPLORATORY GRANT	2017
WINNER OF ANBIMA CAPITAL MARKETS AWARD FOR BEST MASTER'S THESIS PROJECT IN BRAZIL	2012

Professional Service

Refereeing: Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, World Bank Economic Review, International Tax and Public Finance (ITAX).

Conference organization: World Bank/IFS/ODI Tax Conference (2022; 2023)

Professional Experience

The World Bank, Washington, DC

CONSULTANT AT POVERTY AND INEQUALITY GLOBAL PRACTICE (LATIN AMERICA) 2014 - 2016

Opus Asset Management

INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIST 2013

Languages

Portuguese (native); English (fluent); French (fluent); Spanish (fluent)

Pre-doctoral policy research

Strengthening Public Health Systems: Policy Ideas from a Governance Perspective (with Stuti Khemani and Sarang Chaudhary). World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No. 9220, 2020.

Investing in people to fight poverty in Haiti: reflections for evidence-based policy making (Haiti Poverty Assessment) (with Federica Marzo, Pablo Facundo Cuevas and Natalia Garbiras). December 2014

But what is the poverty rate today? Testing poverty nowcasting methods in Latin America and the Caribbean (with German Caruso, Leonardo Lucchetti, Eduardo Malasquez and Andres Castaneda). World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No. 8104.

Sifting through the Data: Labor Markets in Haiti through a Turbulent Decade (2001-2012) (with Aude- Sophie Rodella and P. Facundo Cuevas). World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No. 7562

Cyclical Variations in Participation and Employment in Urban Brazil (with Emmanuel Skoufias and Renata Gukovas). No 24952, World Bank Other Operational Studies, May 2016.