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EMPLOYMENT

2018 – Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, CUNEF, Spain
2013 – 2018 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, University of Warwick, UK
2009, 2016 Short-Term Consultant, DEC-Research Group, World Bank, US
2006 – 2007 Project Associate, Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA), Peru

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

2018 – Research Affiliate, CEPR Public Economics program
2018 – International Research Fellow, Oxford Centre for Business Taxation (CBT)
2016 – Research Affiliate, International Growth Centre (IGC)
2013 – Research Associate, Centre for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE), University of Warwick

EDUCATION

May 2013 PhD in Economics, University of California – Berkeley
- Advisors: Emmanuel Saez and Alan Auerbach
June 2008 MPA in International Development (MPA/ID), Harvard Kennedy School
June 2005 B.A. in Economics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Research: Public Economics, Development Economics

Teaching: Public Economics, Applied Econometrics, Macroeconomics

PUBLISHED PAPERS

"VAT Notches, Voluntary Registration and Bunching: Theory and UK Evidence"
with Li Liu, Benjamin Lockwood and Eddy Tam
Review of Economics and Statistics, *forthcoming*.

"Expanding Access to Administrative Data: The Case of Tax Authorities in Finland and the United Kingdom"
with Jarkko Harju, Kaisa Kotakorpi, Janne Tukiainen and Jouko Verho
International Tax and Public Finance, vol. 26 (3), June 2019, pp. 661-676.

"Under the Radar: The Effects of Monitoring Firms on Tax Compliance"
with David Lopez-Rodriguez
American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, vol. 10 (1), Feb 2018, pp. 1-38.

"Are Men and Women-Economists Equally Distributed Across Research Fields? Some New Empirical Evidence"
with Juan J. Dolado and Florentino Felgueroso
SERIEs - Journal of the Spanish Economic Association, vol. 3 (3), Sep 2012, pp. 367-393.

“From Great Depression to Great Credit Crisis: Similarities, Differences, and Lessons”
with Agustín Bénétrix, Barry Eichengreen, Kevin O'Rourke, and Gisela Rua
Economic Policy, vol. 62, April 2010, pp. 219–265.

WORKING PAPERS

"Venting Out: Exports During a Domestic Slump"
with Pol Antràs, David Lopez-Rodriguez and Eduardo Morales
Revise & resubmit at the **American Economic Review**

"More Giving or More Givers? Tax Incentives and Charitable Donations in the UK"
with Benjamin Lockwood and Kimberley Scharf
Revise & resubmit at the **Journal of Public Economics**

"The Elasticity of Taxable Income in Spain: 1999-2014"
with David Lopez-Rodriguez
Revise & resubmit at **SERIEs - Journal of the Spanish Economic Association**

“Strategic or Confused Firms? Evidence from "Missing" Transactions in Uganda"
with Jonas Hjort, Justine Knebelmann and Lin Tian

"Points to Save Lives: Traffic Enforcement Policies and Road Fatalities"
with Gonzalo Gaete

WORK IN PROGRESS

"Information, Fiscal Capacity and Tax Compliance: An Experimental Evaluation"
with Jonas Hjort, Justine Knebelmann and Lin Tian (Ongoing RCT)

"Entry and Exit in Endogenous Production Networks: Theory and Evidence from Uganda"
with Alan Griffith, Jonas Hjort and Lin Tian

“Bunching vs. Diff-in-Diff”
with Michael Best

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

CUNEF (Instructor, 2018-2019):

Macroeconomics (UG)

University of Warwick (Instructor, 2013-2018):

Public Economics (PhD), Econometrics (MSc), Public Economics (MSc)

UC Berkeley (Graduate Student Instructor, 2009-2011)

Introductory Economics (UG), Development Economics (UG)

Poverty Action Lab (Teaching Assistant, 2010)

Executive Training Course in Bogotá, Colombia

Harvard Kennedy School (Course Assistant, 2007)

International Macroeconomics (MPA)

FELLOWSHIPS AND RESEARCH GRANTS

2019 – 2020 Centre for Tax Analysis in Developing Countries (TaxDev) Research Grant
(with co-PI Michael Devereux)

2018 – 2019 International Growth Centre (IGC) Research Grant (£35k)

- (with co-PIs Alan Griffith, Jonas Hjort and Lin Tian)
- 2016 – 2018 International Growth Centre (IGC) Research Grant (£35k)
(with co-PIs Jonas Hjort, Justine Knebelmann and Lin Tian)
- 2016 – 2017 British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant
- 2014 – 2015 CAGE Small Grants Fund
- 2014 – 2015 International Growth Centre (IGC) Research Grant (£36k)
(with co-PIs François Gerard and Jonas Hjort)
- 2012 – 2013 Burch Center Continuing Student Fellowship, UC Berkeley
- 2010 – 2011 Fundación Rafael del Pino Graduate Fellowship
- 2008 – 2009 Shapiro Fellowship, Department of Economics and IBER, UC Berkeley
- 2007 – 2008 Banco de España Graduate Fellowship
- 2005 – 2006 Fundación Caja Madrid Graduate Fellowship
- 2004 – 2005 Academic Excellence Scholarship, Spanish Ministry of Education
- 2003 – 2004 Erasmus Scholarship for Exchange Studies at the University of Warwick

AWARDS

- 2019 Vanguardia de la Ciencia Award (shortlisted)
- 2015 Young Economist Award, International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF)
- 2011 George Break Prize for best performance in Public Finance courses, Berkeley
- 2011 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor (GSI) Award, UC Berkeley
- 2008 Honorable Mention, Second-Year Policy Paper, MPA/ID Program, Harvard

INVITED SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

- 2019 (sched.) University of Manchester, RES Annual Conference (Warwick), International Monetary Fund (Washington, DC), World Bank/Michigan Conference on Value Added Taxes (Washington, DC),
- 2018 CUNEF, Workshop on Bunching Estimators (UC San Diego), IE Business School, COSME Gender Economics Workshop (Madrid), IFS/Bank of Spain Conference on Taxes & Transfers, Spanish Economic Association (Madrid), Public Finance in Developing Countries (U. Zurich)
- 2017 Oxford CBT, VATT - Helsinki, Institute of Fiscal Studies - TaxDev, U. de Barcelona, CEMFI, Spanish Economic Association (Barcelona), Public Finance in Developing Countries (U. Zurich)
- 2016 ASSA Annual Meeting (San Francisco), Columbia U., ZEW-Mannheim, European University Institute, Department for International Development (DFID), OECD, Public Finance in Developing Countries (U. Zurich)
- 2015 Heriot-Watt U., U. of Edinburgh, Individual and Small Business Taxation Conference (Warsaw), IIPF (Dublin), PEUK (Exeter), Uppsala, National Tax Association Annual Conference (Boston)
- 2014 TARC Annual Conference (U. Exeter), Oxford CBT Symposium, Public Economics UK (PEUK) Spring Workshop (LSE), Tax Systems Conference (Oxford), CEPR Public Economics (Warwick)
- 2013 CIDE, Banco de México, Fundação Getulio Vargas, U. Illinois Urbana Champaign, Mannheim, U. Autònoma de Barcelona, IESE, Warwick, Instituto de Empresa, CEMFI, Pontificia U. Católica del Perú, Oxford CBT, National Tax Association Annual Conference, Spanish Economic Association (Santander)
- 2012 EEA-ESEM Annual Congress (Málaga), UC Berkeley, Spanish Economic Association (Vigo)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Conference Organizing Committee: Public Economics UK (PEUK) 2014, 2015 and 2016.

Scientific Committee Member: International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF) 2015, 2017;
Royal Economic Society 2017-2019; European Economic Association 2019.

External reviewer for:

- National Science Foundation (NSF)
- Private Enterprise Development in Low-income countries (PEDL)
- Banco de España
- Agencia Estatal de Investigación (AEI)
- Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo
- International Centre for Tax and Development

REFEREEING ACTIVITY

American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, AEJ - Applied Economics, AEJ - Economic Policy, AEJ - Macroeconomics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Economic Journal, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Oxford Economic Papers, International Tax and Public Finance, National Tax Journal, Public Finance Review, Fiscal Studies, SERIEs - Journal of the Spanish Economic Association, BE Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, German Economic Review.

OTHER INFORMATION

Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent), French (intermediate).

Citizenship: Spanish.