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Nationality: Bolivian, permanent resident in Denmark.

Employment

University of Copenhagen

Associate Professor, Dec 2012 to present

Postdoc, Sept 2009 to Nov 2012

National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Tokyo, Japan

Visiting Associate Professor, Jan 2015, Jul 16, Dec 17, Feb-Mar 18, Apr-May 19

Harvard University

Visiting Associate Professor, Aug 2012 to Aug 2015

Copenhagen Business School

Postdoc, Apr to Sept 2012

Kiel Institute for the World Economy, Germany

Visiting Ph.D. student, Oct to Dec 2008, May 2009

Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, La Paz, Bolivia

Lecturer, Sept 2000

Professional activity

The World Bank

Consultant – Poverty Reduction/Econ Mngmt, 2010, Nov 2013

Bolivian Ministry of Energy

Director, Mar to Aug 2004

Bolivian Ministry of Finance – UDAPE

Senior Economist, Mar 2002 to Feb 2004

Junior Economist, Apr to Dec 2000

British Department for International Development (DFID)

Consultant, Feb to Mar 2000

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Copenhagen, 2009

Cand.polit., University of Copenhagen, 2007

M.Sc. in Financial Economics, P. Universidad Católica de Chile, 1999

B.Sc. in Business & Economics, Universidad Gabriela Mistral, Chile, 1997

Publications

- Historical migration and contemporary health
with Thomas B. Andersen, Carl-Johan Dalgaard and Christian Skovsgård
Oxford Economic Papers. Forthcoming in 2021.
- The Bounty of the Sea and Long Run Development
with Carl-Johan Dalgaard and Anne Sophie B. Knudsen
Journal of Economic Growth 25, 259-295. 2020. Lead article.
- Climate and the Emergence of Global Income Differences
with Carl-Johan Dalgaard and Thomas B. Andersen
Review of Economic Studies 83(4): 1334-1363. 2016.
- Competition for Export Markets and the Allocation of Foreign Aid
with Fabian Barthel, Eric Neumayer and Peter Nunnenkamp
World Development 64(12): 350-365. 2014.
- Shades of Green
with L. Kleeman and Kacana Sipangule
D+C Development and Cooperation 2013 7/8: 288-9, 2013.
- Lightning, IT Diffusion and Economic Growth Across US States
with Thomas B. Andersen, Jeanet Bentzen and Carl-Johan Dalgaard
Review of Economics and Statistics 94(4): 903-924, 2012a.
- Does Foreign Aid increase Foreign Direct Investment?
with Eva R. Sunesen
World Development 40(11): 2155-2176. 2012b.
- The impact of Aid on Bureaucratic Quality
with Rainer Thiele
Journal of International Development 24(3): 379-386. 2012c.
- Does the Internet Reduce Corruption?
with Thomas B. Andersen, Jeanet Bentzen and Carl-Johan Dalgaard
World Bank Economic Review 25(3): 387-417, 2011.
- Aid and Sectoral Productivity: Evidence from Panel Data
with Rainer Thiele
Journal of Development Studies 46(10): 1749-1766. 2010.

Current research projects

- The return of Pachamama: Coca, politics, and empowerment in Bolivia
with Carlos Molina (MIT) and James A. Robinson (U Chicago)
- Roman Roads to Prosperity: Persistence and Non-Persistence in Public Goods
with Carl-Johan Dalgaard (UCPH), Nicolai Kaarsen (DØRS) and Ola Olsson (U Gothenburg)
CEPR Discussion Paper 12745. 2018. Current version: December 2020
- Gender Quotas in Politics: Fairness, Meritocracy, and Representation
with Joel Lincoln (UDSM), Severious Likwelile (UDSM), Sina Smid (CBS) and Edith Zink (UCPH). In preparation. Current version: 3 December 2020

Fishermen's wives: On the cultural origins of violence against women
with Vincent Leyaro (UDSM) and Neda Trifkovic (UCPH)
UNU-WIDER Working Paper 205/2017

Gender altruism and attitudes towards violence against women:
Experimental evidence from Tanzania
with Vincent Leyaro (UDSM) and Neda Trifkovic (UCPH)
Manuscript available: 2 January 2021

The effectiveness of documentary films to reduce violence against women:
Experimental evidence from Tanzania
with Vincent Leyaro (UDSM) and Neda Trifkovic (UCPH)
Manuscript available: 3 January 2021

Trade, historical inequality and drug-related violence in Mexico
with Eduardo Hidalgo (U Bonn) and Erik Hornung (U Bonn)
In preparation. Current version: 25 November 2020

The moral economy of cannabis production: Evidence from Morocco
Ongoing fieldwork.

Selected presentations and invited talks

[2020] BCDE 2020, Hamburg University.

[2019] University of Oxford, JETRO-Tokyo, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, University of Dar es Salaam, University of Cologne, LACEA Universidad Autónoma de Puebla, Mexico.

[2018] University of Oxford, New Economic School, Moscow; University of Bonn, German Economic Association - University of Zurich and ETH Zurich, Hitotsubashi University, Danish Technical University, Bolivian Academy of Economic Sciences.

[2017] University of Oxford (Center for Studies of African Economies), NCDE University of Gothenburg, EEA Lisbon, Hayami Conference - National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS, Tokyo), LACEA Buenos Aires, University of Dar es Salaam.

[2016] GRIPS Tokyo, University of Dar es Salaam; Universidad EAFIT, Medellín; P. Universidad Católica de Chile, University of Oxford; Hitotsubashi University.

[2015] GRIPS, New Economic School, Moscow; *Forum for Samfundsvidenskaberne's Filosofi*, U Copenhagen.

[2014] University of Oxford, NBER Summer Institute, Cambridge MA; GRIPS, American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meetings, DC.

[2013] Harvard University, Brown University, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Universidad Católica de Chile, El Colegio de México, BCDE UPSA Santa Cruz de la Sierra, University of Oxford.

[2012] Copenhagen Business School, University of Naples Parthenope, University of Gothenburg, 2012 BCDE EMI-La Paz, Bolivia.

- [2011] Minerva Center for Economic Growth, Hebrew University of Jerusalem; LACEA U. Adolfo Ibáñez, Chile; Institute for Economic Analysis (CSIC, BGSE), Barcelona; BCDE UCB-La Paz.
- [2010] LACEA Universidad EAFIT, Medellín, Colombia, 4th Nordic Summer Symposium in Macroeconomics, Finland, WIDER Helsinki, U Southern Denmark.
- [2009] LACEA-LAMES, Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Buenos Aires; BCDE, INESAD-UPB, La Paz; Institute of Social Studies, The Hague.
- [2008] Kiel Institute for the World Economy, Universidad Católica Boliviana, Stockholm School of Economics, Université Paris I, Sorbonne, SMYE, Université Lille II.
- [2007] PEGNet Conference 2007, GTZ-Kiel Institute, Berlin.
- [2006] LACEA-LAMES Annual Congress, ITAM, México DF; NCDE, University of Oslo.

Teaching

University of Copenhagen

Advanced Development Economics -Macro Aspects, 2015 to present.
Economic Growth and Inequality, 2015 to present.
Field Research Methods, 2019 to present.
Economic and Political Development in Latin America, 2011-12, 2014-18.
Culture and Institutions, 2017.

National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (GRIPS), Tokyo, Japan

Global Economic History, Ph.D. course, 2018, 2019.
Advanced Global Economic History, Ph.D. course, 2018, 2019.

Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, La Paz, Bolivia

Finance, graduate course, 2000.

Selected grants, conference organization, academic refereeing

Criminal Entanglements

ERC Consolidator Grant, 2018-2023, Associate Researcher.

Sapere Aude

Eliteforsker Trin 1, Danish Research Council (FSE), 2012-2015, PI.

Bolivian Conference in Development Economics (founder, organizer 2009 to present)

[BCDE 2020](#), [BCDE 2013](#), [BCDE 2012](#), [BCDE 2011](#), [BCDE 2010](#), [BCDE 2009](#)
 Grants: DANIDA, DDRN, Kiel IfW.

PEGNet conference 2013

Kiel Institute for the World Economy, and University of Copenhagen. Chair.

Referee for: *Econometrica*, *American Political Science Review*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Economic Growth*, *World Bank Economic Review*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *Review of Economics and Institutions*, *European Journal of Development Research*, *Journal of Development Studies*, *Journal of International Development*, *Natural*

Resources Forum, Information Economics and Policy, Social Science Quarterly, Economics of Governance, Review of International Economics, Journal of Population Economics.

Other affiliations

Center for Global Criminology, Institute of Anthropology, University of Copenhagen
Associate Researcher

Bolivian Academy of Economic Sciences
Academic Numerary

Institute for Advanced Development Research (INESAD)
Associate Researcher

Languages

English, Spanish, Danish (*Danskuddannelse 3, Statsborgerskabsprøve*).