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### **PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS**

- Senior Economist, Development Research Group, Macroeconomics and Growth, World Bank. December 2021 –
- Economist, Development Research Group, Macroeconomics and Growth, World Bank. April 2013 – December 2020
- Economist (EP) , International Monetary Fund. September 2011-April 2013

### **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. in Economics, UCLA, May 2011
- M.A. in Economics, UCLA, December 2007
- M.A. in Economics, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (Argentina), December 2005
- B.A. (licenciate) in Economics, Universidad Nacional de Rosario (Argentina), December 2003

### **FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS**

- Ettinger Prize for Best Pre-Job Market Paper, UCLA Dept. of Economics, 2010
- Dissertation Year Fellowship, UCLA Graduate Division, 2010-2011
- Department of Economics *Excellence* Award, UCLA, 2008
- Bradley Foundation Fellowship, 2007-2009
- Fellowship for Graduate Studies, Department of Economics, UCLA, 2006-2010

### **PUBLICATIONS**

1. Entry Barriers, Idiosyncratic Distortions, and the Firm-Size Distribution *forthcoming American Economic Journals: Macroeconomics*
2. Size-Dependent Tax Enforcement and Compliance: Global Evidence and Aggregate Implications, with Pierre Bachas and Anders Jensen, *Journal of Development Economics*, vol. 140, September 2019
3. Taxing the Good? Distortions, Productivity, and Misallocation in Sub-Saharan Africa, with Xavier Cirera and Hibret Maemir, *World Bank Economic Review*, August 2019
4. Entry and Exit, Multi-Product Firms, and Allocative Distortions, *American Economic Journals: Macroeconomics Vol 10 No. 2*, April 2018
5. The Anatomy of a Credit Crunch: from Capital to Labor Markets, with Francisco Buera and Yongseok Shin, *Review of Economic Dynamics* 18 (2015) 101-117
6. Entry, Trade Costs, and International Business Cycles” (2014), with Jose Ignacio Lopez, *Journal of International Economics* 94 (2014) 224-238

### **PAPERS UNDER REVIEW**

1. The Dynamics of Development: Entrepreneurship and Innovation, with Francisco Buera (2018), *Revise and Resubmit American Economic Journals: Macroeconomics*

## **WORKING PAPERS**

- The Economic Ripple Effects of COVID-19, with Francisco Buera, Andres Neumeyer, Hugo Hopenhayn, and Yongseok Shin
- The Missing Middle in a Broad Cross-Section of Indian Establishments, with Francisco Buera, Reiko Laski, and Nicholas Trachter
- Constrained Optimality and the Welfare Effects of Misallocation (2012), with Hugo Hopenhayn
- The Elusive Missing Middle in Sub-Saharan Africa's Firm Size Distribution: The Role of Measurement and Informality, with Xavier Cirera and Hibret Belete Maemir
- Growth Accelerations and Income Inequality: The Role of Labor and Financial Frictions

## **WORLD BANK PROJECTS**

- Economic Transformation and the Future of Work in Latin America, flagship report for the Chief Economist Office for Latin America and the Caribbean (co-author, joint with Guillermo Beylis, Rishabh Sinha, and Michael Morris)
- Intermediate Input Distortions and Aggregate Productivity in LAC: A quantitative Analysis, author of regional study for Chief Economist Office for Latin America
- Boosting Productivity in Sub-Saharan Africa, author of background paper
- South Africa's Systematic Country Diagnostics, author of background paper
- High Growth Firms: Facts, Fiction, and Policy Options for Emerging Economies (Equitable Growth, Finance, and Institutions), background paper (TTL Denis Medvedev)
- Jobs Diagnostics Report, commissioned by Georgia's ministry of Finance (co-author, chapter on productivity and wages)
- Minimum Wage Reform in Mexico: Implications for Employment and Productivity, author of background paper

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Referee for: American Economic Journals: Macroeconomics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Growth, Review of Economic Dynamics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Quantitative Economics, Macroeconomic Dynamics, The Economic Journal, World Bank Economic Review, Journal of Applied Economics

## **TEACHING**

1st year PhD. Macroeconomics Class, Prof. Gary Hansen, Fall 2008

1st year PhD. Macroeconomics Class, Prof. Andy Atkeson, Winter 2009

## **CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**

Central Bank of Chile 2009, Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society LAMES (2011, 2013), Stanford University (2011), World Bank (2011), Society of Economic Dynamics SED (2011, 2012, 2013, 2015), University of Virginia (2012), World Bank (2013, 2014), University of Warwick conference on Financial Markets and the Real Economy (2013), Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

(2013), LACEA Labor Network (2014), NBER Summer Institute (2014, 2016), Barcelona Graduate School of Economics Summer Forum (2015), Brookings Institution (2017), Georgetown Centre for Economic Research Biennial Conference (2017), Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis (2017), OECD (2018), IMF (2019), World Bank COVID eSeminar (2020)

## **PROGRAMMING SKILLS**

Fortran (MPI parallel computing), Matlab, Stata, R