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Uruguayan Citizenship, US EB1A green card, Spain PEC visa.

SUMMARY

With over 20 years of experience in the financial services and business information industries, I am a Global Principal Data Scientist at Coface, a leading credit insurance and risk management company. My mission is to research and assess new valuable data and apply back-testing, simulation, and statistical techniques to improve the company's products and services. I also have a PhD in Cliometrics, a field of study that applies data science and econometrics to historical data and questions.

As a data science and quantitative research leader, I have a proven track record in economic research, finance models, economic forecasting, credit risk management, market risk management, model development, model review, model implementation, and data science. I have been recognized as a "Global Top 100 Data Visionary" by Truata in 2020 and received the Global One Equifax Award in 2018.

EDUCATION

PhD in Cliometrics – Torcuato Di Tella University – (Argentina – 2016-2018)

PhD dissertation *"Tax benefits as a determinant for corporate investments' decision: the case of Uruguay 1970-2010"*

MSc (bio)Statistics – Barcelona University – (Spain – 2020-2022)

Thesis: *"Multi-Task Lineal Regression Learning for Survival Analysis: from traditional to machine learning models"*. Some of the courses in survival machine learning were taken as a PhD student at BarcelonaTech/UPC.

MSc in Data Management & Big Data – Barcelona University – (Spain – 2015)

MBA Full Time – Adolfo Ibáñez Business School – (Chile – 2002-2003)

BSc in Business & CPA – FCEA – Republic University – (Uruguay – 1994-2000)

Post Academic Degrees (*Executive Education courses are not considered*)

- SEE, Babson College, (USA, 2007)
- GCP, The Wharton School, (USA, 2003)
- MOC, Microeconomics of Competitiveness, Harvard Business School, (USA, 2010)
- Data Science Ethics, University of Michigan. (USA, 2018)

AWARDS / HONORS

1. *EB1A Green Card* US 2023 (that only 1.65% of the world accesses)
2. *"Global Top 100 Data Visionary"* (2020) by [Truata](#) (MaterCard and IBM).
3. *"Global One Equifax"* Award in 2018.

RESEARCH PAPERS

1. Vallarino, D. (forthcoming, 2024) "Temporal Dynamics of Countries' Journey to Cluster-Specific GDP per Capita: A Comprehensive Survival Study" [Review of Economic Assessment](#)
1. Vallarino, D. (2024). "A Comparative Machine Learning Survival Models Analysis for Predicting Bank Failure in the US (2001-2023)". [Journal of Economic Analysis](#). 3(1), 129-144
2. Vallarino, D. (2024). "Machine Learning Algorithms for Survival Analysis: Advantages, Disadvantages, and examples". [International Journal of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning](#).
3. Vallarino, D. (2023). "Predicting Machine Learning Survival Models comparison: the case of startups time to failed with collinearity-related issues". [Journal of Economics Statistics](#). 1(3), 1-15.

4. Vallarino, D. (2023). "When should they buy? Surviving machine learning models for purchase timing". *International Journal of Data Mining & Knowledge Management Process* vol 13, no 4/5
5. Navarro, D. V. (2007). "El comportamiento innovador como fuente del cambio: el ejemplo en las empresas de servicios". *Revista da FAE*, 10(1).
6. Vallarino, D. (2005). "Enterprise Innovation Model: cómo las empresas de Latinoamérica enfrentan la nueva competencia". *Revista de Antiguos Alumnos del IEEM*, 8(2), 100-108.

BOOKS

1. Vallarino, D. (2023). *Machine Learning Survival Models for Economics Analysis: Inventory, Evaluation Metrics, and Empirical Analysis*. [Eliva Press](#)
2. Vallarino, D. (2005). *Innovando desde el sur. Cómo las empresas de América Latina enfrentan la nueva competencia*, [Ediciones La Gotera](#).

CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

1. Vallarino, D. (2023). "Buy when? Survival machine learning model comparison for purchase timing." *4th International Conference on Big Data, Machine Learning and IoT (BMLI 2023)* Dubai, UAE.
2. Vallarino, D., Azúa C, Úbeda, R. (2023). "Differentiated Roles and Perceptions of the Controller Function: An Exploratory Study". *Business Association of Latin America Studies (BALAS) Annual Conference*, Mexico City, Mexico.
3. Vallarino, D. (2023). "Comparative Analysis of Machine Learning Models for Survival Analysis: Empirical Study and Performance Assessment". *LatinR 2023 Conference*, Montevideo, Uruguay
4. Vallarino, D. (Aug. 2011). "The Promotion of Innovation in the Second Half of the 20th Century in Uruguay". *Fourth Congress of History of Industry and Services, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina*.
5. Vallarino, D. (Set. 2011). "40 years of Industrial Promotion Policy: the case of companies that were born being of national interest". *First Chilean Congress of Economic History*, Andrés Bello University, Viña del Mar, Chile.
6. Vallarino, D. (Dec. 2010). "The Promotion of Entrepreneurship in the second stage of outward growth in Uruguay (1974-2009) characterization of the companies that were born under the industrial promotion law and the investment promotion law". *Summer School (Southern Hemisphere) of Economic History, Montevideo, Uruguay*.
7. Vallarino, D. (February 2010). "Incentives for the creation of companies in the second stage of outward growth in Uruguay (1974-2009): the case of Bodega Carrau". *Second Congress of Economic History, UNAM, Mexico*
8. Vallarino, D. (September 2009). "Approach to the evolution in the creation and death of companies in Uruguay (1985-2000): the case of the land cargo transportation sector". *Second Congress of History of Industry and Services, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina*.

WORKING PAPERS

1. Vallarino, D. (2023) "An historical perspective of Structural Economic Changes evidence from the Industrial and Investment Promotion in Uruguay (1974-2010)" [Available at SSRN](#)
2. Vallarino, D. (2023) "Incentives for Private Industrial Investment in historical perspective: the case of industrial promotion and investment promotion in Uruguay" (1974-2010) [Available at SSRN](#)
3. Vallarino, D (2023). "A relevant Weakness in Survival Machine Learning Models: non-Ergodicity". [Working Paper](#)

WORKING IN PROGRESS

2. "Analyzing the Trajectory of Economic Convergence among Latin American Nations: A Survival Analysis Approach to GDP per Capita Patterns"
3. "Unveiling the Temporal Layers of Economic Transformations: A Survival Analysis on Unemployment Trends in the Americas."

OTHER PUBLICATION

1. *Porandu* weekly newsletter ([here](#))
2. Medium blog ([here](#))
3. Forbes Mexico ([here](#)) (2015-2019)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

I have been Visiting Professor (2003 – Present) in areas such as *Applied Data Science, Information Economics and Strategic Innovation*:

- MBA - *UCU Business School* (Uruguay, 2020)
- MBA Latam - *Adolfo Ibáñez University* (México, 2020)
- Full Time MBA & E-MBA - *Adolfo Ibáñez University* (Chile, 2020)
- Executive Education – *Adolfo Ibáñez University* (USA , 2019)
- MBA – IEEM – *University of Montevideo* (Uruguay, 2019)
- MBA Bootcamp – *Adolfo Ibáñez University* (Chile, 2019)
- MBA – *Economic Sciences School of the UdelaR* – (Uruguay, 2019)
- Postgraduate course in Information Systems at the *Economic Sciences School of the UdelaR* – (Uruguay, 2016 – 2019)
- PAE - *Paraguay Trade Fair*. Asunción, Paraguay (Paraguay, June 2012 to 2017)
- MBA - *American University* (Paraguay, 2010-2011-2013)
- Master in Public Policy from the *American University* (Paraguay, 2011)
- MBA and Bachelor of Management from *ORT University* (Uruguay, 2006-08)
- PMD of *ESADE Business School* (ORT Uruguay/Argentina, 2007)
- MBA, MDES of IEEM, *University of Montevideo* (Uruguay 2004-2005)
- Postgraduate in PmL, *University of Montevideo* (Uruguay 2008)
- *Universidad Adolfo Ibáñez* (Chile, 2003) as assistant researcher to the Entrepreneurship Center.

STUDENT ADVISING

- Director of the thesis "*Maturity of organizations in reference to the adoption of Data Analytics: the case of the financial system in Uruguay*" Romanelli, V.; to obtain the MBA degree from the FCEA of the UdelaR (2019)
- Member of the tribunal of the thesis "*An employee's turnover for small and unbalanced data set*" Pignataro , F.; for the MSc Data Science & Business Analytics degree . ESSEC Business School, Paris, France (2018)
- Member of the tribunal for the thesis "*Financial inclusion through Data Analytics in the telecommunications era*" Favaro , G.; for a Master's degree in Economics. FCE, UBA, Argentina (2018)
- Director of the thesis "*Big Data and Analytics as a source of competitive advantage in the health sector in Uruguay*" Montico, S.; Ilaria, A; to obtain the MBA degree from the FCEA of the UdelaR (2018)
- Member of the tribunal of the thesis "*Impact of recent investment promotion policies in Uruguay*" Gervaz , I.; Goda, H.; Traiman , N.; to obtain the Bachelor's degree in Economics, FCEA, UdelaR (2012)

WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Global Principal Data Scientist** (Spain/France, 01/2021 - Present) - *Coface Group*
- **Chief Data Scientist** (01/ 2019 – 12/2020) - *Scotiabank Uruguay*
- **Data & Analytics Director** (01/2017 – 01/2019) - *Equifax Inc Uruguay*
- **VP Operations** (04/2016 – 12/2016) - *OverActive – 100 million startup that was purchased in 2021 by Perficient LatAm*
- **Senior International Consultant** (09/2005 to 03/2016) – *Interamerican Development Bank, World Bank, and United Nation Development Programme.*

MEMBERSHIP

- I serve as a *Board Member* for UTEC University in Perú since 2020.
- Full member of CDO LatAm since 2020 (Perú).
- Full member of LatinxInAI since 2022 (San Francisco, US).
- Member of The Economic History Society since 2021.
- Member of the South American Network of Applied Economics since 2009.

OTHERS

- Languages for Machine Learning: Python, R
- Data Management: SQL, Oracle, Impala, Hive
- Visualization: Tableau, MS PowerBI (DAX basic), Spotfire
- Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Advanced), Portuguese (Intermediate), French (Basic), Italian (Basic)

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