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EDUCATION

University of California, Davis

PhD in Agricultural and Resource Economics

Davis, CA

2011 – 2018

Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas

MS in Economics

Mexico City, Mexico

2008 – 2010

Tecnológico de Monterrey, Campus Santa Fe

BS in Financial Management

Mexico City, Mexico

2004 – 2008

EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral researcher

The World Bank

July 2020 – Present

Washington, DC

- Fellowship Program in Forced Displacement sponsored by the DFID-UNHCR-World Bank program “Building the Evidence on Forced Displacement: A Multi-Stakeholder Partnership”
- Use of detailed georeferenced panel data on land use types to study transitions into and out of cropland in the Middle East
- Deliver two co-authored World Bank Policy Research Working Papers to be submitted to peer reviewed academic journals following publication in the World Bank series

South Asia Data Team

The World Bank

April 2018 – June 2020

Washington, DC

- Household survey harmonization and maintenance of South Asia Micro Database (SARMD)
- Construction, adjustment, and analysis of expenditures per capita for poverty and inequality measures
- Study of asset ownership, gender, urban/rural, education, demographic, labor, and housing characteristics
- Design and implementation of survey metadata collection tool to compare survey characteristics
- Preparation of Tableau visualizations and SARMD User Guidelines

RECENT PROJECTS

Land Use Change induced by Conflict and Displacement | *Syria, Iraq, Turkey*

July 2020 – Present

- Measure land use changes into and out of cropland with satellite imagery
- Study the mechanisms linked to violence and population displacement behind those land use changes

Perceived Land Tenure Insecurity and Violence | *Global*

July 2020 – Present

- Compare levels of land tenure insecurity across countries based on Prindex data
- Study interconnections between perceived tenure security and conflict

Changes in air quality during lockdown | *East Asia*

May 2020 – June 2020

- Measure changes in air pollution (Aerosol, CO, HCHO, NO₂, Ozone, SO₂) for largest metropolitan areas before, during and after COVID-19 lockdowns

Urban Poverty Headcounts | *Somalia*

October 2019 – February 2020

- Estimate poverty rates for Somali cities relying on the combination of Somali High Frequency Survey 2017 and geospatial data

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Stata, Python, R, Matlab, JavaScript, HTML/CSS, Git, Tableau, Excel VBA

Libraries: pandas, geopandas, scikit-learn, numpy, matplotlib, pyplot, seaborn, leaflet, geopmap

GIS Tools: QGIS, Google Earth Engine

LANGUAGES

English: Full Professional

Spanish: Native

French: Limited Working