



# 2021 BCDE PROGRAM

## BOLIVIAN TIME

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**DAY 1 – NOV 18TH**

From	To	Session				
8:15	8:30	<b>Opening ceremony</b> Oscar Molina Tejerina, President <b>SEBOL</b> Sergio Daga, Vice-Rector <b>UPSA</b>				
8:30	9:30	<b>Keynote lecture</b> Christina Gravert <b>University of Copenhagen</b> Session chair: Pablo Selaya				
9:30	9:45	Break				
9:45	11:15	Parallel A1	Parallel A2	Parallel A3	Parallel A4	Parallel A5
11:15	11:30	Break				
11:30	12:30	<b>Special session</b> SDSN Bolivia <b>Chair:</b> Lykke Andersen		<b>Special session</b> INESAD/KAS <b>Chair:</b> Beatriz Muriel		<b>Special session</b> Debate: Bolivian economy <b>Chair:</b> Oscar Molina
12:30	13:00	Lunch Break				
13:00	14:30	Parallel B1	Parallel B2	Parallel B3	Parallel B4	Parallel B5
14:30	14:45	Break				
14:45	15:45	<b>Special session</b> ABCE <b>Chair:</b> Oscar Molina		<b>Special session</b> Inter-American Development Bank <b>Chair:</b> Beatriz Muriel		<b>Special session</b> World Bank <b>Chair:</b> Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero
15:45	16:00	Break				
16:00	17:00	<b>Keynote lecture</b> Paulina Restrepo-Echavarría <b>Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis</b> Session chair: Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero				



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**DAY 2 – NOV 19TH**

From	To	Session				
9:30	9:45	<b>Welcoming words</b> Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero <b>Universite Catholique de Louvain</b>				
9:45	10:45					
10:45	11:00	<b>Keynote lecture</b> Henrik Vigh <b>University of Copenhagen</b> <b>Session chair:</b> Pablo Selaya				
11:00	12:30	<b>Break</b>				
12:30	13:00	Parallel C1	Parallel C2	Parallel C3	Parallel C4	Parallel C5
13:00	14:30	<b>Lunch Break</b>				
14:30	14:45	Parallel D1	Parallel D2	Parallel D3	Parallel D4	Parallel D5
14:45	16:15	<b>Break</b>				
16:15	16:30	Parallel E1	Parallel E2	Parallel E3	Parallel E4	Parallel E5
16:30	17:15	<b>Break</b>				
17:15	17:30	<b>Special session</b> BOWEN <b>Chair:</b> Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero			<b>Special session</b> Graduate Programs <b>Chair:</b> Mauricio Tejada	
17:30	18:30					
18:30	18:45	<b>Keynote lecture</b> Raquel Fernandez <b>New York University</b> <b>Session chair:</b> Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero				
		<b>Closing words by organizers</b> Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero, <b>UC Louvain</b> – BCDE 2021 Conference co-chair Sergio Daga, <b>UPSA</b> – BCDE 2021 Conference co-chair Diego Escobari, <b>University of Texas Rio Grande Valley</b> – BCDE 2022 Chair				

## PARALLEL SESSION

## TITLE, AUTHOR (AFFILIATION)

### A1 - Refugees and migration

#### **Should Host Countries Regulate or Deregulate the Labour Immigration Policy When Accepting Study Migrants?**

Akira Shimada (Nagasaki University, Japan)

#### **International migration and government policies: Immigration vs. emigration restrictions**

Christoph Deuster (Institute for Employment Research - IAB)

#### **The “Refugee Rate”: Evidence from a Field Experiment of Discrimination Against Refugees and Asylum Seekers**

Jamie Simonson (Univeristy of Cape Town).

### A2 - Informality and Labor 1

#### **Globalization, Informality and Inequality**

Alessandro Ruggieri (University of Nottingham)

#### **Import Competition, Labor Market Regulations, and Firm Outsourcing**

Pavel Chakraborty (Lancaster University)

#### **Informal Input Suppliers, Quality Choice and Welfare**

Sergio Daga (Universidad Privada de Santa Cruz de la Sierra - UPSA).

### A3 - Health 1

#### **Estimated impact of the 2020 economic downturn on under-5 mortality for 129 countries**

Marcelo Cardona (Rockwool Fonden)

#### **Spatial inequality in Health: Non-Communicable Diseases in Bolivia, determinants and current challenges at the Municipal level**

Soraya Román (UPB)

#### **Epidemics, Diversity, and Group Identities: Evidence from West African Ebola Outbreak**

Alexander Yarkin (Brown University).

### A4 - Demography and mobility

#### **Displacement: a step on early marriage? Natural disasters and bride price tradition**

Laura Muñoz Blanco (Trinity College Dublin)

The Role of Non-Cognitive Skills in Improving Academic Performance: Evidence from a field experiment in Pakistan

Maryiam Haroon (Lahore School of Economics)

#### **¿Cuál es el legado que los padres dejan a sus hijos en cuanto a educación?: Análisis de la persistencia educativa en Bolivia para las cohortes de edad de 1980 y 1990**

Fátima Zambrana (Centro de Estudios Superiores Universitarios - Universidad Mayor de San Simón).

### A5 - Political economy 1

#### **Electoral Cycles in Inequality**

Emekcan Yucel (Bogazici University)

#### **Persistent Protests**

Sofia Correa (University of Chile)

#### **The Political Economy of Government Audits**

Mariella Gonzales (University of Chicago).

## PARALLEL SESSION

## TITLE, AUTHOR (AFFILIATION)

### B1 - Conflict and violence

#### **Identity conflict, ethnocentrism and social cohesion**

Matteo Sestito (Aix-Marseille School of Economics)

**NAFTA and drug-related violence in Mexico** Eduardo Hidalgo (University of Cologne)

#### **The Effects of Anti-Drug Announcements on Child Labor**

Diego Martin (Purdue University).

### B2 - Covid 1

#### **Efecto del COVID-19 en el sistema de intermediación financiera boliviano**

Osvaldo Nina (INESAD)

#### **Monitoreo en Tiempo Real del COVID-19 en Bolivia**

Pablo Cuba-Borda (Federal Reserve Board)

#### **Assessing the impact of long-term exposure to nine outdoor air pollutants on spatial spread of Covid-19: evidence from 107 Italian provinces**

Gaetano Perone (University of Bergamo).

### B3 - Education 1

#### **Ending the Musical Chairs Game in Higher Education: How a Software Dashboard (SPADIES) Improved Information Flow and Educational Outcomes in Colombia**

Luis Omar Herrera Prada (Goettingen University)

#### **Does BRAC Provide Highly Effective Schooling in Developing Countries?**

Saima Khan (New York University, Abu Dhabi)

#### **The Efficiency Legacy of Higher Education Institutions in the Labor Market**

Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero (Universite Catholique de Louvain).

### B4 - Firms and the Macroeconomy

#### **Startups, Labor Market Frictions, and Business Cycles**

Gonzalo García-Trujillo (Central Bank of Chile)

#### **Reallocation and Productivity during Commodity Cycles**

Rodrigo Heresi (Inter-american Development Bank)

#### **Political Connections, Allocation of Stimulus Spending, and the Jobs Multiplier**

Veronika Penciakova (Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta).

### B5 - Institutions 1

#### **Democracy, technocracy and economic growth: evidence from 20th century Spain**

Rok Spruk (University of Ljubljana)

#### **A Domino Theory of Regionalism Revisited: The Role of Homogeneity/Heterogeneity in Institutions**

Renliang Liu (University of Guelph, Canada)

#### **Pollution, Corruption and Economic Development**

Gonzalo Forgues-Puccio (Abertay University).

## PARALLEL SESSION

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### C1 - Social mobility 1

#### **The Geography of Intergenerational Mobility in Latin America and the Caribbean**

Ercio Munoz Saavedra (CUNY Graduate Center)

#### **How far does the apple really fall from the tree? Practical guidance on measuring intergenerational mobility from a simulation framework**

Marcelo Cardona (Rockwool Fonden)

#### **Understanding the Growth of the Middle Class in Bolivia**

Alejandro Puerta (Universidad Carlos III).

### C2 - Bolivia and Growth

#### **¿La inversión en telecomunicaciones promueve un crecimiento de calidad en Bolivia?**

Sergio Mansilla Bustamante (INESAD)

#### **Behind Santa Cruz development: Sources and challenges**

Pablo Mendieta (Chamber of Industry, Commerce and Services of Santa Cruz - CAINCO)

#### **Impacto del Stress Sistémico en el Crecimiento Económico: Caso Guatemala**

Daney Valdivia Valdivia Coria (Independiente).

### C3 - Macroeconomic Risk

#### **Hidden in plain sight: China's contribution to the global business and financial cycle**

Eva Van Leemput (Federal Reserve Board)

#### **Back to the Present: Learning about the Euro Area through a Now-casting Model**

Danilo Cascaldi-Garcia (Federal Reserve Board)

#### **Understanding Growth-at-Risk: A Markov-Switching Approach**

Pablo Cuba-Borda (Federal Reserve Board).

### C4 - Education 2

#### **Do Inclusive Education Policies Improve Employment Opportunities? Evidence from a Field Experiment**

Francisco Galarza (Universidad del Pacífico)

#### **Income Support and School Choice of Children: Evidence from Bolivia's Universal Pension Plan**

Sabyasachi Das (Ashoka University)

#### **Is feedback always positive? Experimental evidence from public schools in Peru**

Antonio Campos (Universidad de San Andrés).

### C5 - Business cycles and macro 1

#### **Price, sales, and the business cycle: microeconomic evidence**

Fernando Borraz (Banco Central del Uruguay)

#### **Pronósticos de los precios del petróleo WTI. Un enfoque con modelos de heterocedasticidad condicional**

Rolando Caballero Martinez (UNAM México)

#### **Monetary Policy, Trade, and Commodity Price Fluctuations**

Galip Ozhan (Bank of Canada).

## PARALLEL SESSION

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### D1 - Bolivia 1

**Acumulación de reservas, vulnerabilidad externa y crecimiento económico en Bolivia**

Erick Larrazabal Antezana

**Exchange rate policy in Bolivia: A synthetic control approach**

Carlos Machicado (INESAD)

**The Devil's in the Dance: Elements of a Growth Diagnostic in Bolivia**

Boris Branisa (Universidad Católica Boliviana).

### D2 - Labor 1

**Local State-owned Enterprise Presence: Growth, Reallocation and Selection**

Difei Ouyang (University of International Business and Economics)

**Show and No Go: The Elusive Effects of Child Labor Legislation**

Leah Lakdawala (Wake Forest University)

**Labour market frictions, trade and informality, evidence from Peru**

Diana Torres Polanco (Ministerio de Educación, Perú).

### D3 - Public 1

**The Informational Foundations of the Tax State: Latin America in Comparative Perspective**

José Peres-Cajías (University of Barcelona)

**When do tax amnesties work?**

Lorena Heller Vilela (Universidad Privada Boliviana)

**Public Transportation Infrastructure and Consumer Prices: Chain Stores, Street Vendors and Mom and Pop Stores**

Angel de Jesus Espinoza Escobar (Banco de México).

### D4 - Macro 3

**The Portfolio Choice Channel of Wealth Inequality**

Mauricio Calani (Central Bank of Chile)

**The effects of management practices on effective tax rates: Evidence from Ecuador**

Lyliana Gayoso de Ervin (Meredith College)

**Foreign Reserves, Fiscal Capacity and Lender of Last Resort**

Humberto Martinez (Rutgers University).

### D5 - Technology 1

**Aiding Urbanisation? The Impact of DAC and Chinese Aid on Urbanisation Rates in Sub-Saharan Africa**

Calumn Hamilton (University of Groningen)

**Technology, Identification and access to social programs**

Diego A Vera-Cossio (Inter-American Development Bank)

**Digital Infrastructure and Local Economic Growth: Early Internet in Sub-Saharan Africa**

Valentin Lindlacher (ifo Institute Munich).

## SESSION

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### E1 - Finance 1

#### **Financial Development, Firm Growth, and Aggregate Productivity Divergence in Europe**

Xiaomei Sui (University of Rochester)

#### **Financial Literacy and Economic Behaviour: Evidence from Colombia**

Maria Padilla (University of Sheffield)

#### **Competing for Funds: Evidence from Peer-to-Peer Lending Markets**

Diego Escobari (The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley).

### E2 - Public health 1

#### **Human development and decentralization: The importance of public health expenditure**

Ronald Miranda (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

#### **The role of contraceptive method preferences on women's decision to adopt contraception**

Carolina Cardona (Johns Hopkins University)

#### **Fertilidad y Resultados Laborales: Evidencia a partir de una Variación Exógena del Tamaño del Hogar en Bolivia**

Elvis Choque Sánchez (Universidad Mayor de San Andrés).

### E3 - External 1

#### **Firm growth, age and the intensity of international trade Segundo**

#### **Camino-Mogro (Universidad Complutense de Madrid) Lexical Distance and the Diffusion of Technology**

Evan Wigton-Jones (Husson University)

#### **Determinantes de la diversificación de exportaciones en Sudamérica: un análisis con datos de panel**

Diego Peñaranda Molina (Delegation of the European Union in Bolivia).

### E4 - Methods and Theory 1

#### **Identification and Estimation of Dynamic Heterogeneous Unbalanced Panel Data Models with Clustering**

Monika Avila Marquez (Institute of Economics and Econometrics University of Geneva)

#### **Algoritmos Machine Learning (ML): Predicción de casos SARS-CoV-2 en Bolivia**

Juan Ruiz Otondo (Universidad San Francisco Xavier de Chuquisaca)

#### **Learning to Commit**

Jorge Ramos-Mercado (University of Minnesota).

