













# 2021 BCDE PROGRAM

## BOLIVIAN TIME

Time zone converter: <https://www.thetimezoneconverter.com/>

DAY 1 – NOV 18TH

From	To	Session				
8:15	9:30	<div>Opening ceremony</div> <div>Oscar Molina Tejerina, President <b>SEBOL</b></div> <div>Sergio Daga, Vice-Rector <b>UPSA</b></div> <div>Keynote lecture</div> <div>Christina Gravert</div> <div>"Steering Attention"</div> <div>University of Copenhagen</div> <div>Session chair: Pablo Selaya</div> <div><div>Registration</div><div>Live Streaming  </div></div>				
9:30	9:45	Break				
9:45	11:15	<div>Parallel A1</div> <div>Refugees and Migration</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel A2</div> <div>Informality and Labor 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel A3</div> <div>Health 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel A4</div> <div>Demography and mobility</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel A5</div> <div>Political Economy 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>
11:15	11:30	Break				
11:30	12:30	<div>Special session</div> <div>INEQUALITREES: A Novel Look at Socio-Economic Inequalities using Electricity Consumption Data</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>ELBOL:</b> An anonymized research database with monthly household/firm level electricity consumption in Bolivia from 2012 to 2016. Ariel Zeballos (<b>UPB</b>).</li><li>• Assessing the importance of nighttime light imagery for modelling electricity consumption and poverty in Bolivia. Andrea Sofia Garcia de Leon (<b>German Aerospace Center</b>).</li><li>• <b>The impact of income level and household composition on energy consumption in Bolivia:</b> A simulation approach. Claudia Sánchez (<b>UMSS</b>).</li><li>• <b>Unfinished migration and structural poverty in Bolivia:</b> an analysis with electricity consumption data. Guillermo Guzmán (<b>CIDES-UMSA and UPB</b>)</li></ul></div> <div>Chair: Lykke Andersen (<b>SDSN Bolivia</b>).</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>		<div>Special session</div> <div>Evaluación de la calidad del crecimiento en Bolivia</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Presentación del libro:</b> Evaluación de la calidad del crecimiento en Bolivia. Beatriz Muriel (<b>INESAD</b>)</li><li>• <b>Capítulo:</b> Equidad y oportunidades educativas: Evidencia para el periodo 2000-2019. Ernesto Yañez (<b>Fundación ARU</b>)</li><li>• <b>Capítulo:</b> Instituciones, desigualdad y Crecimiento en Bolivia (1996-2018). Iván Velásquez (<b>Fundación Konrad Adenauer</b>)</li></ul></div> <div>Chair: Beatriz Muriel (<b>INESAD</b>).</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>		
12:30	13:00	Lunch Break				
13:00	14:30	<div>Parallel B1</div> <div>Conflict and violence</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel B3</div> <div>Education 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel B4</div> <div>Firms and the Macroeconomy</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel B5</div> <div>Institutions 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	
14:30	14:45	Break				









# 2021 BCDE PROGRAM

## BOLIVIAN TIME

Time zone converter: <https://www.thetimezoneconverter.com/>

DAY 1 – NOV 18TH

14:45	15:45	<b>Special session</b> <p>Análisis cuantitativo de tópicos del bienestar social</p> <p>Augmented Proxy Mean Tests. Can Machine Learning Improve Targeting Effectiveness?. Werner Hernani-Limarino (ABCE).</p> <p>Entre la sostenibilidad y el mercado: El dilema de los productores de quinua del Altiplano Sud de Bolivia. Elizabeth Jiménez Zamora (ABCE).</p> <p>Chair: Oscar Molina (SEBOL).</p> <p> <a href="#">Registration</a></p>	<b>Special session</b> <p>¿Cómo acelerar el crecimiento económico y fortalecer la clase media en Bolivia?</p> <p>Speaker: Osmel Manzano, Regional Economic Advisor, Country Department Andean Group, Inter-American Development Bank</p> <p>Chair: Beatriz Muriel (INESAD)</p> <p> <a href="#">Registration</a></p>	<b>Special session</b> <p>La vía rápida hacia nuevas competencias. Programas cortos de educación superior en América Latina y el Caribe</p> <p>Speaker: María Marta Ferreyra, Senior economist at the Office of the Chief Economist for Latin America and the Caribbean, The World Bank.</p> <p>Chair: Sergio Daga (UPSA).</p> <p> <a href="#">Registration</a></p>
15:45	16:00	Break		
16:00	17:00	<b>Keynote lecture</b> <p>Paulina Restrepo-Echavarría</p> <p>"The International Consequences of Bretton Woods' Capital Controls and the Value of Geopolitical Stability"</p> <p>Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis</p> <p>Session chair: Sergio Daga</p> <p> <a href="#">Registration</a></p> <p>Live Streaming  </p>		


















# 2021 BCDE PROGRAM

## BOLIVIAN TIME

Time zone converter: <https://www.thetimezoneconverter.com/>

DAY 2 – NOV 19TH

From	To	Session				
9:30	10:45	<div>Welcoming words</div> <div>Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero, UC Louvain</div> <div>Keynote lecture</div> <div>Henrik Vigh</div> <div>"Social Death and Dangerous Life Chances: On conflict, crime and livelihoods in Bissau"</div> <div>University of Copenhagen</div> <div>Session chair: Pablo Selaya</div> <div><div>Registration</div><div>Live Streaming  </div></div>				
10:45	11:00	Break				
11:00	12:30	<div>Parallel C1</div> <div>Social mobility 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel C2</div> <div>Bolivia and Growth</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel C3</div> <div>Macroeconomic Risk</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel C4</div> <div>Education 2</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel C5</div> <div>Business cycles and macro 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>
12:30	13:00	Lunch break				
13:00	14:30	<div>Parallel D1</div> <div>Bolivia 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel D2</div> <div>Labor 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel D3</div> <div>Public 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel D4</div> <div>Macro 3</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel D5</div> <div>Technology 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>
14:30	14:45	Break				
14:45	16:15	<div>Parallel E1</div> <div>Finance 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel E2</div> <div>Public health 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel E3</div> <div>External 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	<div>Parallel E4</div> <div>Methods and Theory 1</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	
16:15	16:30	Break				
16:30	17:30	<div>Special session</div> <div>Bolivian Women in Economics Network (BOWEN) – Conversatorio Mujeres en economía: Experiencias en la Academia</div> <div>Guests:</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Raquel Fernández (NYU).</li><li>• Paulina Restrepo-Echavarría (Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis).</li></ul></div> <div>Chair: Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero (UC Louvain).</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>			<div>Special session</div> <div>Graduate Programs in Economics and Finance</div> <div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Universidad Alberto Hurtado.</li><li>• Universidad de Talca.</li><li>• Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile.</li><li>• Universidad Privada de Santa Cruz de la Sierra.</li></ul></div> <div>Chair: Mauricio Tejada (SEBOL).</div> <div><div>Registration</div></div>	
17:30	17:45	Break				



**DAY 2 – NOV 19TH**

# 2021 BCDE PROGRAM

## BOLIVIAN TIME

Time zone converter: <https://www.thetimezoneconverter.com/>

17:45

19:00

### Keynote lecture

Raquel Fernandez

"El Cambio Cultural"

New York University

Session chair: Fabiola Saavedra-Caballero

### Closing words by organizers

Fabiola Saavedra, **UC Louvain** – BCDE 2021 Co-Chair

Sergio Daga, **UPSA** – BCDE 2021 Co-Chair

Diego Escobari, **University of Texas Rio Grande Valley** – BCDE 2022 Chair



[Registration](#)

Live Streaming



## 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

#### **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)

### 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)

#### **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)

### 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**

Alessandro Melcarne (University of Paris-Nanterre)

#### **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

## TITLE, AUTHOR (AFFILIATION)

### 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 Coria

### 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

## TITLE, AUTHOR (AFFILIATION)

### 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)

**Frictions and Labour Market Outcomes, evidence from Peru**

Jorge Dávalos (Universidad del Pacífico, 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

## TITLE, AUTHOR (AFFILIATION)

### 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)

