

To whom it may concern

Madrid, December 14, 2017

Dear friend,

I am writing this letter to support the candidacy of my co-author Cesar Castro to a position in your Organization.

My first collaboration with César began three years ago, when writing the article: 'The deflationary effect of oil prices in the euro area,' which was part of his PhD Thesis and has been published by Energy Economics (impact factor 2015: 2,862, rkg 42/345 in 'Economics', Q1). We are currently working on two research articles. Based on this experience, my professional opinion is that Cesar is a complete and productive researcher.

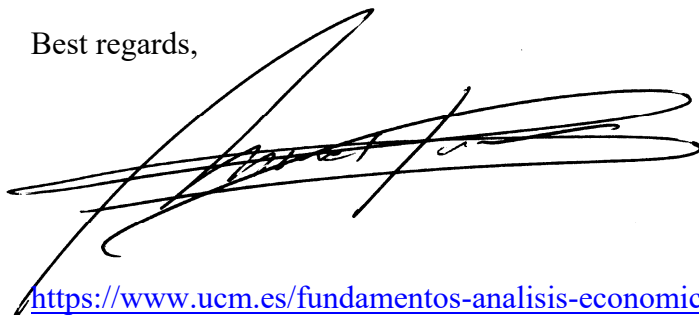
Regarding his professional skills, I must emphasize his analytical proficiency and knowledge of time series econometrics, as well as his excellent handling of standard software in modern research (specifically, Latex, R, R-Studio) as well as his ability to organize automatic calculation processes. For example, it is worth mentioning that, during the evaluation of the aforementioned article, Cesar coded an automatic procedure to update the sample, the calculations and the text, reducing to a few hours a work which would have taken several days if done 'by hand'. He also has a good command of literature in his field of expertise and can write complex texts in English.

About his personal character, Cesar is a good-natured person, with a remarkable initiative and proactivity in the daily work. He meets objectives and deadlines, often exceeding expectations.

For all the above, I think you cannot go wrong if you hire César for your team.

If you need any further clarification on this issue, do not hesitate to contact me through the e-mail [mjerezme@ucm.es](mailto:mjerezme@ucm.es)

Best regards,



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