

RES 25 Anniversary

NOVEMBER 21st-22nd, 2019

IDB, Washington, D.C

PROGRAM

NOVEMBER 21nd - 1330 New York Ave., N.W. - Room EVI Auditorium

The importance of rigorous research for policy making

The IDB's Research Department has been pursuing policy relevant research for 25 years. How should such research be conducted, what are the main challenges, what topics should RES focus on for the next 25 years? These are some of the questions to be debated in this special workshop.

9:00am – 9:10am Opening Remarks: Eric Parrado and Andrew Powell

9.10am – 9.50am How Research Affects Policy: Diana Moreira (University of California, Davis)

9.50am – 10.15am Coffee Break

10.15am - 11.15am Panel of Policy Makers and Advisors

Moderator: Carmen Pages (IDB)*

Panelists: Mauricio Cárdenas (Former Minister, Colombia, Visiting Columbia University)

Carlos Viana (Former Deputy Governor, Brazil, PUC-Rio, Visiting Richmond Fed.)

Miguel Braun (Former Deputy Minister, Argentina)* Liliana Rojas (Center for Global Development)*

11.15am – 12.30pm

Panel of RES Young Researchers: Research and Policy Implications

Moderator: Arturo Galindo: (IDB)*

Patricio Dominguez: Crime Research and Policy (RES)
Bridget Hoffman: Environmental Research and Policy (RES)

Victoria Nuguer: Research on Central Bank Communications (RES) Juan Pablo Chauvin: Research on Urban Economics, Quito (RES)

12.30pm – 1.00pm LUNCH – Foyer EVI Auditorium

1.15pm – 2:00pm Special Presentation with Ernesto Talvi

(Former RES, CERES, Presidential Candidate, Uruguay)

2.15pm – 3.45pm Panel of Former Senior RES Economists

Moderator: Luca Flabbi (Professor University of North Carolina)*

Ugo Panizza (Professor, The Graduate Institute, Geneva)*

Suzanne Duryea (IDB)*
Hugo Ñopo (GRADE, Perú) *

Alejandro Micco (Professor, Universidad de Chile)*

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3.45 pm - 4.15pm Coffee

4.15pm to 5.45pm Panel of Former Chief Economists

Moderator: Nancy Birdsall (Former Executive Vice President IDB; Center for Global Development)

Panelists: Ricardo Hausmann

Guillermo Calvo Santiago Levy Eduardo Lora Jose Juan Ruiz

5.45pm – 6pm Closing Remarks

Eric Parrado (Chief Economist and General Manager RES, IDB)

6.30pm – 8.30pm Happy Hour in CUBA LIBRE (801 9th St N.W., Washington, DC 20001)

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NOVEMBER 22nd - 1300 New York Ave., N.W. – ROOM ANDRES BELLO 2, 9th floor

The continuing research activities of young RES alumns.

RES Research Assistants have done great things both during and after their stay in RES. Many former RAs are currently Professors or completing their PhD's, others are working in policy making positions and in the private sector. This session will present some examples of the work done by current recent graduates of the RES research assistant program and some specially invited guests.

9am - 9.20am	Light breakfast
9.20am - 9:30am	Opening Remarks: Eric Parrado and Matias Busso
9:30am – 10.15am	Panel 1: Current Research Assistants
Moderator:	Joao Aires (IDB)

Presenter: Jessica Gagete: "An aspiring friend is a friend indeed: school peers and college

aspirations in Brazil"

Comments: Sebastian Calónico (Columbia University)

Presenter: Sergio Perilla: "Internet Access and Electoral Participation in Colombia: Voter Apathy

at the Polls"

Comments: Rosa Vidarte (UNESCO)

10.15am – 10.30am Coffee

10.30am – 12.30am Panel 2: Former Research Assistants

Moderator: Juanita Camacho (IDB)

Presenter: Juan Sebastian Muñoz (Univ. of Illinois at Urbana- Champaign): "The Effect of

Import Competition from the United States on Workers and Firms in an Emerging

Economy"

Comments: Nicolás Botán (Cornell University)

Presenter: Cynthia Boruchowicz (University of Maryland): "Leaving the Shadows Behind?

(Un)intended Consequences of Formal Sector Regulation"

Comments: Jorge Pérez-Pérez (Banco de Mexico)

Presenter: Cristian Sanchez (ITAM): "Skipping your Exam? The Unexpected Response to a

Targeted Voucher Policy"

Comments: Matteo Bobba (Toulouse School of Economics, TSE)

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