Ricardo Dahis

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APPOINTMENTS

Monash University
Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics 2023
Brown University
Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics Fall 2022, Fall 2023

PUC-Rio
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics 2021-2023

Data Basis (Base dos Dados)
Co-Founder and Head of Product 2019-

EDUCATION

Northwestern University Ph.D. in Economics	2015 -2021
University of California, San Diego Visiting Graduate Student	2019 -2021
PUC-Rio M.A. in Economics	2013 -2015
PUC-Rio B.A. in Economics	2008 -2012

PUBLICATIONS

- 1. "Selecting Top Bureaucrats: Admission Exams and Performance in Brazil," (with Laura Schiavon and Thiago Scot) 2025, Accepted at the Review of Economics and Statistics
- 2. "Calculating the Economic Value of Non-marginal Mortality Risk Reductions," (with Diego Cardoso) 2024, Economic Letters, Volume 237, 111673
- 3. "Free public transit and voter turnout," (with Rafael H. M. Pereira, Renato S. Vieira, Fernando Bizzarro, Rogério J. Barbosa, Daniel Travassos Ferreira) 2023, Electoral Studies Volume 86
- 4. "Cutting Special-Interests by the Roots: Evidence from the Brazilian Amazon," (with Arthur Bragança) 2022, Journal of Public Economics Vol. 215

WORKING PAPERS

- 1. "Decentralizing Development: Evidence from Government Splits," (with Christiane Szerman) R&R American Economic Journal: Applied Economics
- 2. "Speed of Payment in Procurement Contracts: The Role of Political Connections," (with Bernardo Ricca and Thiago Scot)
- 3. "The Role of Sanctions and Spillovers in Forest Conservation," (with João Pedro Vieira and Juliano Assunção)
- 4. "Young Politicians and Long-Term Policy," (with Iván de las Heras and Santiago Saavedra) Re&R Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists
- 5. "MiDES: New Data and Facts from Public Procurement and Budget Execution in Brazil," (with with Thiago Scot, Bernardo Ricca, Lucas Nascimento, Nathalia Sales)
- 6. "Choosing Racial Identity in the United States, 1880-1940," (with Emily Nix and Nancy Qian)
- 7. "The Impact of 3G Mobile Internet on Educational Outcomes in Brazil," (with Pedro Bessone and Lisa Ho)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- 1. "Structural Transformation and Politics," (with Erik Katovich)
- 2. "The Labor Union-Politics Pipeline," (with Lorenzo Lagos)
- 3. "Housing Microfinance and Climate Resilience in the Philippines," (with Teevrat Garg and Russell Toth)
- 4. "Promotions, Performance, and Diversity in the Brazilian Judiciary," (with Laura Schiavon and Thiago Scot)
- 5. "Killing the Forest: Assassinations and Deforestation in Brazil," (with Mariana Carvalho)

GRANTS

• PEDL 6th special ERG call on Climate Change (40,000 GBP)	2024
• IGC Small Research Grants (28,930 GBP)	2024
• J-PAL JOI-Brazil (499,384 BRL)	2024
• CAF Argentina for 2025 Economic and Development Report (RED) (7,500 USD)	2023
• J-PAL JOI-Brazil (49,190 BRL)	2022
• World Bank RSB (95,000 USD)	2022
• World Bank RSB (30,000 USD)	2021

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

• University Fellowship, Northwestern University	2020 – 2021
• Susan Schmidt Bies Prize for Doctoral Student Research on Economics and Public Policy	2018
• BRASA Mentorship Program	2018
• Distinguished TA Award, Northwestern University	2016 - 2017
• Doctoral Fellowship, Northwestern University	2015 – 2016
• CAPES Scholarship	2013-2015

Talks (including scheduled)

- 2025: World Bank, IDB, ADEA-QUT, IOEA
- 2024: University of Sydney, UNSW, UNU-WIDER Annual Conference 2024, Monash CDES Prato Conference, MEEW
- 2023: ASSA Annual Meeting, NOVA Lisbon, Paris School of Economics (PSE), University of Melbourne, Monash University, Universidad de los Andes, Universidad de Chile, Online Spatial and Urban Seminar (OSUS), International Conference on Development Economics (ICDE/AFEDEV), Forest, Water and Energy Workshop, Development Bank of Latin America (CAF), Australian Catholic University, Georgetown University gui2de, New York University (NYU), Johns Hopkins, Duke University TREE, NEUDC (Harvard)
- 2022: FGV-EPGE, USP-FEA, NOVAfrica Conference, FGV-EESP, Brown University, National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore Management University (SMU), DIME/World Bank, NEUDC (Yale)
- 2021: PacDev (UCSD), Political Economy Workshop at BI Norwegian Business School, University of Tokyo, New Economic School, PUC-Rio, Universidad del Rosario, University of Mannheim, NBS-BI Political Economy Workshop, Lacea-Lames, Insper, NEUDC (BU), Encontro Brasileiro de Econometria (SBE)
- 2020: Universidade Católica de Brasília, DEVPEC (UC Berkeley), Urban Economics Association (UEA), NEUDC (Dartmouth), Encontro Brasileiro de Econometria (SBE)
- 2018: MIEDC (U. Minnesota)
- 2017: EMCON (U. Chicago), Omni Methods Group (UCSD)
- 2016: DEVPEC (UC Berkeley)

SERVICE

Refereeing

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review: Insights, Economic Journal, Economic Inquiry, Environment and Development Economics, European Economic Journal, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, PNAS

• Co-founder and co-organizer of the Empirics and Methods in Economics Conference (EMCON) 2016 –2018