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Interests Labor Economics · Microeconometrics · Matched employer-employee datasets · Inequality · Unobserved heterogeneity

Education **Nova School of Business and Economics** Lisbon, PT
PhD in Economics Aug 2020 – Current

Nova School of Business and Economics Lisbon, PT
MSc in Economics Sep 2017 – Jan 2019

Nova School of Business and Economics Lisbon, PT
BSc in Economics Sep 2014 – Jul 2017

University of Economics, Prague Prague, CZ
Exchange Program Sep 2016 – Jan 2017

Research

Working Papers

R. Barrella, P. Deb, G. Li, C. Pizzinelli (2025) *The Labor Market Decisions of Older Workers in Ageing Economies: Evidence from Spain and the UK*. IMF Working Paper 2025/030

R. Barrella, E. Costa, and P. Portugal (2024). *On the Asymmetrical Sensitivity of the Distribution of Real Wages to Business Cycle Fluctuations*. IZA DP No. 16911

R. Barrella, P. Lopez-Garcia, and R. Setzer (2023). *Medium-term investment responses to activity shocks: the role of corporate debt*. Working Paper Series – No. 2751, European Central Bank.

Other Work

R. Barrella and C. Pizzinelli (2025). *Exploring the Determinants of Early Retirement in Spain*. IMF Selected Issues Papers, Issue 78/2025.

R. Barrella, V. Botelho, and P. Lopez-Garcia (2022). *Firm productivity dynamism in the euro area*. ECB Economic Bulletin, Issue 1/2022.

W. Modery et al. (2021). *Key factors behind productivity trends in EU countries*. Occasional Paper Series 268, European Central Bank.

Work Experience

International Monetary Fund Jun 2024 – Sep 2024
Fund Internship Program. European Department, Spain Team.

Nova School of Business and Economics Sep 2018 – Current
Teaching Assistant – Labor Economics; Empirical Methods for Finance; Linear Algebra with Python; Data Analysis and Probabilities; Global Economics.

	European Central Bank , Research Analyst Directorate General Economics – Supply Side, Labour Markets and Surveillance Division.	Jul 2021 – Jul 2022
	European Central Bank , Trainee Directorate General Economics – Supply Side, Labour Markets and Surveillance Division.	Aug 2019 – Aug 2020
	Banco de Portugal , Summer Intern Economics and Research Department	Jul 2018 – Sep 2018
Conferences	International Association for Applied Econometrics Conference 13th Edition Organized by: International Association for Applied Econometrics University of Torino, Torino	2025
	Portuguese Around the World: Central Banking Edition, 2nd Edition Organized by: Diana Bonfim, Miguel Faria e Castro, Nuno Paixão, André F. Silva Banco de Portugal, Lisbon	2023
	Collective Bargaining in the 21st Century Organized by: Ana Rute Cardoso & David Card Academia das Ciências, Lisbon	2023
Summer Schools	Expectations and Learning in Dynamic Structural Models Institution: The Econometric Society and University College London	2025
	New Developments in the Econometrics of Heterogeneous Workers and Firms Course Instructor: Prof. Elena Manresa (NYU) Institution: CEMFI	2023
	Topics in Labor Economics, Migration, and Intergenerational Mobility Course Instructor: Prof. Jan Stuhler (UC3M) Institution: ISEG Lisbon	2023
	Empirical Methods for Policy Evaluation Course Instructor: Prof. Mónica Costa Dias (University of Bristol) Institution: ISEG Lisbon	2023
Honors and Scholarships	Portuguese Science and Technology Foundation PhD scholarship Amélia de Mello Foundation Award (Best first-year PhD student) Haddad Foundation PhD scholarship Nova Fellowship for Excellence scholarship	2022 2022 2020 2017

Skills**Computer Skills**

Proficient in: Stata, Excel

Familiar with: Python, L^AT_EX

Basic: R

Languages

Portuguese (Native), English (fluent)