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# **EMPLOYMENT**

5/2017 Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Bergen 9/2010-4/2017 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Uppsala University

#### **OTHER AFFILIATIONS**

Since 5/2017 – Research Associate, Department of Economics, Uppsala University

Since 5/2016 - Research Affiliate, IZA

Since 1/2015 - International Research Fellow, Institute for Fiscal Studies

Since 4/2011 - Researcher, Uppsala Center for Labor Studies

#### **EDUCATION**

2011	PhD in Economics, University College London, U.K.
2002-2003	Curricular part of MSc/PhD in Economics, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Portugal
2002	Licenciatura (BSc.) in Economics, Universidade Católica Portuguesa, Portugal

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Labor Economics, Economics of Education, Development Economics, Public Economics

# **PUBLICATIONS**

- 1. Parental Leave Benefits, Household Labor Supply and Children's Long-run Outcomes, with Jenny Jans and Arizo Karimi, 2018, Forthcoming, *Journal of Labor Economics*
- 2. Tackling social exclusion: evidence from Chile, with Pedro Carneiro and Emanuela Galasso, 2018, Forthcoming, *The Economic Journal*
- 3. Partial Insurance and Investments in Children, with Pedro Carneiro, *The Economic Journal*, 126 (October 2016), F66–F95.
- 4. Preventing Behavior Problems in Childhood and Adolescence: Evidence from Head Start, with Pedro Carneiro, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, November 2014, 6(4): 135–173.

## WORKING PAPERS

- 5. Who Benefits From Free Health Insurance: Evidence from Mexico, with Gabriella Conti, 2017, Revise and Re-submit, Journal of Human Resources
- 6. The Value of Health Insurance: A Household Job Search Approach, with Gabriella Conti and Renata Narita. 2018
- 7. Trade Competition, Technology and Labor Re-allocation, with Selva Baziki and Teodora Borota, 2018
- 8. Parental Investments in Children and Local Business Cycles, 2015 (under revision)
- 9. Spillovers in Social Program Participation: Evidence from Chile, with Pedro Carneiro, Barbara Flores, Emanuela Galasso and Aureo de Paula.

#### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

- 10. Improving Quality of Service Delivery, with Pedro Carneiro and Emanuela Galasso.
- 11. The health effects of early interventions: Evidence from the Sure Start, with Sarah Cattan, Gabriella Conti and Christine Farquharson.
- 12. Mandated Family Leave: Direct and Indirect Effects on Gender Gaps in Employment and Promotions, with Arizo Karimi and Pengpeng Xiao.

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# At Universidade Católica Portuguesa

2002-2003	Statistics
2002-2003	Optimization and Decision Models
2002-2004	Microeconomics I
2002-2004	International Economics
2003-2004	Industrial Organization

# At University College London

2005-2007	Economics of Finance, Money and Banking
2007-2010	Franchics of the Public Sector

2008-2009 Econometrics

# At Uppsala University

2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13	Labor Economics – MSc. Program
2011-2012	Topics in Labor – Phd Program

# At University of Bergen

2017-2018, 2018-2019 Public Economics (MSc. Program)

2018-2019 Statistics and Econometrics (BSc. Program)

# **OTHER EMPLOYMENT**

2003 Research Assistant - Universidade Católica Portuguesa - Microeconomic Theory (for Prof. Fernando Branco)

2007-2010 Consultant, Development Research Group at the World Bank – Poverty Unit: Evaluation of Anti-Poverty Programs in Chile

2014 Consultant, Inter-American Development Bank (Microsimulation: Assessment of a proposal to redesign the *Oportunidades* program in Mexico)

#### **DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

# At Uppsala University

9/2010-6/2015 Organizer of the Labor Seminar Series 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13, 2013-14 Member of the Junior Recruiting Committee

## At University of Bergen

2017- Organizer of the Labor Seminar Series

# RESEARCH VISITS (LONGER THAN 2 WEEKS)

11-12/2011, 3/2012 01/2012, 10-11/2012, 4-5/2013 4/2016 Department of Economics - University of Chicago Development Research Group: Poverty Unit (World Bank) Department of Economics - Princeton University

#### REFEREE ACTIVITIES

#### **Academic Journals**

Journal of Political Economy, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Journal of Labor Economics, The Economic Journal, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Development Effectiveness, Labour Economics, European Economic Review, Economic Development and Cultural Change, American Journal of Health Economics, Review of Economics of the Household, Journal of Health Economics, Health Economics, Economic Letters, The Scandinavian Journal of Economics, The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Economics of Education Review, Portuguese Economic Journal, Science

#### Grants

National Science Foundation, Swedish Research Foundation (Vetenskapsrådet)

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

- 2015 Member of the Evaluation Committee of Proposals for the Swedish Research Foundation (Vetenskapsrådet)
- 2015 Academic Teacher Training Course (5 weeks course at Uppsala University)
- 2015 Member of the Academic Committee for the Inaugural Royal Economic Society Symposium of Junior Researchers (United Kingdom)

#### PRESENTATIONS (INCLUDING PLANNED)

- 2019: RAND, University of Leuven
- 2018: North American Winter Meeting of Econometric Society (Philadelphia), Humboldt University, Early Childhood Interventions Workshop (Luxembourg), Nordic Summer Institute (Helsinki), Goteborg University.
- 2017 Royal Holloway, Nova SBE (Lisbon), NHH, Oxford, NBER Summer Institute, AEA, EEA Meetings (Lisbon).
- 2016 Institute for Fiscal Studies, Stockholm School of Economics, University of California San Diego, World Bank-Banco de España Inequality Workshop (Madrid), EEA (Geneva), University of Oslo, University of Bergen, Workshop on Family Economics (Oslo), NEUDC 2016 (Boston), Banco de Portugal.
- 2015 Uppsala University, CORE (Université Catholique de Louvain), SITE (Stockholm School of Economics), SOLE Annual Meetings (Montreal), University of Essex

2014 AEA (Philadelphia), SOLE Annual Meetings (Washington, DC), IFN (Institutet för Näringslivsforskning), Nordic Summer Institute (Helsinki), University of Bergen, University of Southern Denmark.

2013 Lund University, Ninth CSEF-IGIER Symposium on Economics and Institutions, Northwestern University.

2012 University of Chicago, Nordic Workshop (Family Economics), Nordic Summer Institute (Bergen), Workshop on Children's Human Capital Development (Aarhus).

2011 RES Conference (London), SOLE Annual Meetings (Vancouver), Nordic Workshop (Family Economics), Nordic Summer Institute (Faroe Islands), Institute of Education (London), EEA Meetings (Oslo), SOFI, University of Stockholm, Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society (Santiago de Chile)-withdrawn.

2010 North American Winter Meeting of Econometric Society (Atlanta), RAND, University of Mannheim, Uppsala University, EIEF, Alicante, Inter-American Development Bank, SOLE Annual Meetings (London), Workshop of Economics of Education (ISEG, Lisbon), Meetings of Portuguese Economic Journal, Meetings of Society of Economic Dynamics (Montreal), European Summer Symposium in Labour Economics, LACEA (Bogota), European Commission.

2009 UCL, CEMMAP, EEA Meetings (Barcelona), SOLE Annual Meetings (Boston), RES Conference (Surrey), North American Winter Meeting of Econometric Society (San Francisco), Universidade Católica Portuguesa.

2008 Universidade Católica Portuguesa, RES Conference (Warwick), SOLE Annual Meetings (New York), IZA Summer School, ESPE Annual Meetings (London), Meeting of the Portuguese Economic Journal (Evora).

2007 IFS, EEA Meetings (Budapest).

2006 UCL.

# HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND GRANTS

2015-2017 Nuffield Foundation (UK), The health effects of early interventions: evidence from Sure Start, Co-PI with Sarah Cattan and Gabriella Conti (£143.000).

2014-2016 Swedish Research Council, Understanding the effects of introducing and expanding universal health insurance program in medium income countries: Lessons from Mexico, Co-PI with Gabriella Conti (3.000.000 SEK)

2011 Research Grant: Stiftelsen Siamon (18000 SEK)

2010 Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian, Portugal

2008-2009 Royal Economic Society - Junior Fellowship

2006 Teaching Excellence Award – UCL

2004-2008 Fundação para a Ciência e Tecnologia, Portugal 2004-2005 Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian, Portugal (not used)

1999-2002 Universidade Católica Portuguesa – Bolsa de Mérito (academic achievement award for the three top students)

# SUPERVISION OF PHD AND MASTER STUDENTS

Co-Supervision of PhD Students at University of Bergen Nina Serdarevic, Linda Østergren

Master Students at Uppsala University
Guomin Luo (currently at the Jiangxi University of Finance and Economics)
Trent Chiang (currently a medical student at Case Western Reserve University – School of Medicine)

# **LANGUAGES**

Portuguese (native), English (fluent), Spanish (good), Swedish (intermediate) and French (basic).