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- Current Position** Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Leuven (2017-)
- Previous Positions** Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics, Northwestern University (Fall 2021)
- Affiliations** Research Affiliate, Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) (IO), 2018-
- Education** Ph.D. in Economics, University of Arizona, 2017
M.A. in Economics, University of Arizona, 2012
B.A. in Economics, Universidad de la Republica, 2009
- Research Interest** Industrial Organization, Health Economics, Public Economics, Economic History
- Publications** [1] “U.S. Postal Savings Banks and the Collapse of B&Ls During the Great Depression” with Matthew Jaremski and Steven Sprick Schuster, *Southern Economic Journal.*, 89, 2023
- [2] “Dynamic Incentives in Retirement Earnings-Replacement Benefits” with Andres Dean and Mariana Zerpa, *forthcoming at the Review of Economics and Statistics*
- [3] “Incumbent Regulation and Adverse Selection: You Can Keep Your Health Plan, But at What Cost?” with Gautam Gowrisankaran and Anthony Lo Sasso, *Journal of Public Economics*, 205, 2022
- [4] “Foreclosed Real Estate and the Supply of Mortgage Credit by Building and Loans during the 1930s” with Price Fishback, Kenneth Snowden and Jonathan Rose, *NBER Working Paper 25246, Journal of Economic History, Volume 80,*

2020

[5] “Forbearance by Contract: How Building and Loans Mitigated the Mortgage Crisis of the 1930s” with Price Fishback and Kenneth Snowden, *NBER Working Paper 21786, Journal of Financial Intermediation, Volume 36, 2018*

[6] “Technological intensity of the export structure and the real exchange rate” with Mario Cimoli and Gabriel Porcile, *Economics of Innovation and New Technology, 22(4), 2013.*

Working Papers

[1] “Who Benefits from Intensified Competition: Competition, quality and returns to skill in health care markets” *CEPR Discussion Paper 14292, Revise and Resubmit AEJ:Economic Policy*

[2] “Reclassification Risk in the Small Group Health Insurance Market” with Gautam Gowrisankaran and Anthony Lo Sasso, *NBER Working Paper 24663, Revise and Resubmit at the Review of Economics and Statistics*

[3] “Dynamic Competition and Price Regulation When Consumers Have Inertia: Evidence from Medicare Part D”

[4] “The Costs of Lock-in in Health Care Markets: Evidence from Hospital Choice in Uruguay”

[5] “Selection, Subsidies, and Welfare in Health Insurance: Employer Sponsored Health Insurance Versus the ACA Marketplaces” with Gautam Gowrisankaran, Caitlyn Fleming and Anthony Lo Sasso

Work in Progress

[1] “Rising Markups in the US Hospital Market” with Jan De Loecker

[2] “The Power of Exclusion: Pharmacy Networks and Bargaining in Medicare Part D” with Gautam Gowrisankaran, Amanda Starc, Ashley Swanson and Robert Town

[3] “Adverse Selection and Lock-out with Dynamic Incentives in Medicare Part D” with Juan Pablo Atal and Eduardo Azevedo

[4] “Quality Based Prices and Multidimensional Quality: Evidence from English Family Doctors” with Enrico Camarda

[5] “Identification of Place-Based Incentive Policies” with Guillermo Alves and William Burton

[6] “Regulation by Public Options: Evidence from Pension Funds” with Pablo Blanchard and Rodrigo Gonzalez-Valdenegro.

Academic Presentations

2023: Toronto Rotman, Rochester Simon, University of Georgia, PUC Chile,

Universidad de los Andes, Universidad de Chile, DII-CEA, King's College, Queen Mary, Tilburg, ULB, University of Bristol, University of Innsbruck, University of Bergen, Berlin IO day, UEA Congress Milan, CEPR IO Cambridge, ASHEcon St. Louis, Barcelona Summer Forum, Toulouse (Scheduled), CMA London (Scheduled), Copenhagen Business School (Scheduled), EARIE (Scheduled), SITE Stanford (Scheduled)

2022: IIOC 2022 Boston, Tilburg, Barcelona Summer Forum, UDELAR

2021: CEPR VIOS, Summer IOIO, Northwestern Economics, Wisconsin Economics, Insper, Indiana Bloomington, University of Montreal, Adolfo Hurtado, LACEA-LAMES 2021, ITAM

2020: Imperial College, Ridge Health Economics, Universidad de Montevideo, Central Bank Uruguay, Departamento de Economía-UDELAR

2019: London School of Economics, Toulouse School of Economics, Tilburg, Mannheim, ASHEcon, IHEA, Universidad de Chile (CEA), German Health Economic Workshop, BRAIN Network IDB.

2018: University of Antwerp, IIOC 2018, Lancaster University, ASHEcon, EUHEA, IZA, WEHC

2017: Princeton, FTC Microeconomics Conference, Econometric Society Chapter Europe, CREST, IIOC 2017, PUC-Chile, Universidad de los Andes, Penn State, Carlos III Madrid, INSPER, FGV Sao Paulo, RES-IDB, Wharton, Maryland, FGV Rio de Janeiro, Tilburg, Leuven, Queens, Universidad de Montevideo, Departamento de Economía-UDELAR and Arizona.

2016: IIOC 2016 Rising Stars Session, 6th Biennial Conference of ASHEcon, NBER Health Care Summer Institute 2016 (invited to attend), Universidad de Chile (Center for Applied Economics), Becker Friedman Institute - University of Chicago, Latin American Chapter of the Econometric Society and Latin American Economic Association, CEA-UChile.

2015: NBER DEA Summer Institute 2015, ECORES Brussels IO Summer School, Western Economic Association International 2015, Economic History Association Meetings 2015.

2014: Empirical Lunch (University of Arizona). Economics Department Workshop (Universidad de la República, Uruguay).

2013: 7th World Congress of Cliometrics.

2009: XVth World Economic History Congress (WEHC, Utrecht, 2009)

Teaching Experience

University of Leuven:

Currently: Instructor (graduate) of Advanced Industrial Organization, Econometric Methods and Models, Advanced Microeconomics

University of Arizona:

Sole Instructor of Record: Industrial Organization (Summer 2016), Economics of Regulation and Antitrust (Summer Sessions 2013 and 2014, Winter Session 2015).

Teaching Assistant (undergraduate): Public Economics, Economics of Strategy

Teaching Assistant (graduate): Econometrics II (non-linear models) Fall 2014 and 2015

ECLAC Summer School (United Nations)

Instructor: Reduced form Econometrics in Industrial Organization (2013), Structural form Econometrics in Industrial Organization (2013), Firms and Inequality (2015), Firms and Inequality (2016)

Universidad de la República, Uruguay

Instructor (graduate): Empirical Industrial Organization (2016)

Instructor (undergraduate): Industrial Organization (2017)

Ph.D. Student Advising	<i>KU Leuven:</i> Advisor for Enrico Camarda, Ph.D., KU Leuven, 2022, first position, Assistant Professor (tenure track), Copenhagen Business School
Grants, Honors and Awards	Best Teacher Recognition KU Leuven Faculty of Economics and Business 2021 FWO (Research Foundation Flanders) Research Project Grant 2020-2024 Best Teacher Recognition KU Leuven Faculty of Economics and Business 2019 KU Leuven Starting Grant 2017-2019 Latin American Development Bank (CAF) Research Grant 2017 Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant, Arizona. 2016 Graduate and Professional Student Council Research Grant, Arizona 2015 Center for Management Innovations in Health Care Research Grant 2015 Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant, Arizona. 2015 Graduate Research Award. Department of Economics, Arizona 2013 Fulbright Scholarship 2011-2013 Associate Researcher, Uruguayan National Research System 2012 - George W. Coleman Scholarship, Arizona 2011 George Gregson Scholarship in Economics Arizona 2011 Scientific Research Sectoral Commission (Uruguay), Research Grant 2010
Prior Research Experience	<i>Research Assistant - University of Arizona and Universidad de la República</i> Professor Gautam Gowrisankaran (AHQR Grant 1R01HS024850-01) 2016-2017 Professor Gautam Gowrisankaran (NSF Grant SES-1425063) 2014-2016 Professor Price Fishback (NSF Grant SES-1061927) 2012-2013 Professor Luis Bertola 2009-2010
Professional Activities	<i>KU Leuven Service:</i> Junior Recruiting Committee (2018, 2020, 2021), Co-

organizer Faculty Seminar (2018, 2019, 2020, 2021)

RIDGE: Co-Director Research Institute for Development, Growth and Economics, Industrial Organization Workshop, 2019-

Refereeing: American Economic Review, Econometrica, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economics Studies, American Economic Review Insights, AEJ Microeconomics, AEJ Economic Policy, Quantitative Economics, Economic Journal, International Economic Review, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Rand Journal of Economics, Journal of Health Economics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Journal of Industrial Economics, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Canadian Journal of Economics, American Journal of Health Economics, Health Economics, Revista de Historia Económica - Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History (Universidad Carlos III, Madrid), América Latina en la Historia Económica (Instituto Mora, Mexico), Estudios Economicos (University of Sao Paulo, USP)

Consultant for: United Nations (One UN Program, Montevideo, Uruguay, 2009), UNIDO-UN, Vienna, Austria (2011), ECLAC-UN, Santiago, Chile (2011, 2014), PriceWaterhouse Coopers (PWC, 2006)

Affiliations: American Economic Association, Econometric Society, American Society of Health Economists, Economic History Association, Western Economic Association, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association, Sociedad de Economistas del Uruguay, Asociación Uruguaya de Historia Económica

Evaluator: GPSC Travel Grants, Spring 2015

**Other
Publications**

[1] “Total and social public expenditure: the Uruguayan case in the 20th century” (in Spanish) with Paola Azar, Revista de Historia Económica / Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History, 30(01), 2012

[2] “Espacio del Producto y Cambio Estructural: un enfoque latinoamericano” with Alvaro Brunini and Guzmán Ourens, Economía e Sociedade, 22(47), 2013.

[3] “Una revisión del desempeño de la industria en Uruguay entre 1930 y 1959” with Rodrigo Arnábal y Magdalena Bertino, Revista de Historia Industrial, 53, 2013.

Other

Software: R, Matlab, QGIS, Stata, Gretl, L^AT_EX

Languages : English (fluent), Spanish (native), Dutch (basic)

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