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Nationality: Argentinian and Italian
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Research Interests

Primary: International Finance and Institutional Investors

Secondary: Empirical Banking and Open Economy Macroeconomics

Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, George Washington University, 2017-Present.

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Finance and Management, Universitat Pompeu Fabra 2013-2017.

Visiting Ph.D. Student, Financial Markets Group, Department of Finance, London School of Economics and Political Science 2015-2016.

Master of Research in Economics, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, 2012-2013.

Master in Science in Economics, Barcelona GSE, 2011-2012.

Licentiate in Economics (with Honors), CEMA University 2005-2008.

Publications

“International Asset Allocation and Capital Flows: The Benchmark Effect”, (with Claudio Raddatz and Sergio Schmukler), 2017, Journal of International Economics, vol. 108, pp. 413-430.

Featured in WB Research Highlights, WB Research Newsletter, FT, Voxeu.

“Financial Globalization in Emerging Economies: Much Ado About Nothing?”, (with Eduardo Levy Yeyati), 2014, Economia, vol. 14 (20), 91-131.

Featured in Voxeu.

“Emerging Economies in the 2000s: Real Decoupling and Financial Recoupling”, (with Eduardo Levy Yeyati), 2012, Journal of International Money and Finance, vol. 31 (8), pp. 2102-2126.

Featured in Voxeu.

Research Papers

“Capital Inflows, Sovereign Debt and Bank Lending: Micro-Evidence from an Emerging Market”.
Revise and Resubmit at the Review of Financial Studies.

“Capital Flows and Sovereign Debt Markets: Evidence from Index Rebalancings”, (with Lorenzo Pandolfi). Revise and Resubmit at the Journal of Financial Economics.

Work in Progress

Firm Financing and Benchmark Indexes (with Fernando Broner and Sergio Schmukler).

Benchmarking and the Global Financial Cycle (with Eduardo Levy Yeyati).

Investment Decisions of Passive and Active Funds: Evidence from Large Index Rebalancings.

Book Chapters

“The Impact of Benchmark Investing by Institutional Investors on International Capital Allocations”, in preparation.

“Financial Globalization in Latin America and the Caribbean: Myth, Reality, and Policy Matters”, with Eduardo Levy Yeyati in Emerging Issues in Financial, edited by Tatiana Didier and Sergio Schmukler.

Conferences/Seminar Presentations

2017

SAEe Barcelona (Scheduled), NBER IFM Meeting (Scheduled), International Capital Flows Conference (Barcelona GSE Summer Forum), SFS Cavalcade, 4th International Conference on Sovereign Bond Markets, Stockholm School of Economics (Finance Department), Bank of Spain, Bank of England, George Washington University, PUC Chile (Finance Department), European Central Bank Financial Research Division.

2016

SAEe Bilbao, Finance Lunch Seminar Pompeu Fabra, CREI International Lunch Seminar, European Doctoral Program Jamboree, World Finance Conference, Belgrade Young Economists Conference, Barcelona GSE Ph.D. Jamboree.

2015

CREI International Lunch Seminar, Barcelona GSE Ph.D. Jamboree, European Doctoral Program Jamboree, Financial Markets Group Students Seminar.

2014

CREI International Lunch Seminar, Barcelona GSE Ph.D. Jamboree.

2013

Trans Atlantic Doctoral Conference London Business School.

Research Experience

2011-2012

Research Assistant for Claudio Raddatz and Sergio Schmukler.

2009-2011

Research Assistant for Eduardo Levy Yeyati.

2008-2009

Research Assistant for Marcelo Dabos.

Teaching Experience

Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Teaching Assistant for Macroeconomics II and Financial Derivatives (Undergraduate).

CEMA University

Teaching Assistant for Microeconomics I and Macroeconomics I (Undergraduate).

Universidad de Belgrano

Teaching Assistant for International Business (MBA).

Honors and Awards

2012-2016

Merit based Scholarship FPI, Spanish Ministerio de Economia y Competitividad.

2011-2012

Merit based Fully Funded Scholarship by BBVA Foundation Savings Bank to attend the Master in Economics at Barcelona GSE.

2005-2008

Merit based Analisis Scholarship to study at UCEMA.

Other Activities

Referee

Journal of International Money and Finance, International Finance.

Conference Organization

Lead Organizer for the Barcelona GSE Ph.D. Jamboree, 2015.

Computer Skills

Programming Knowledge

STATA, EViews, Matlab, L^AT_EX.

Databases

Bloomberg, Datastream, EPFR, Morningstar Direct, SDC Thomson Reuters.

Languages

Spanish (Mother Tongue), English (Fluent), French (Basic).

References

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