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Nationality: Bolivian – permanent resident in Denmark.

Education

- Ph.D. in Economics, University of Copenhagen, 2009
- M.Sc. in Economics (cand.polit.), University of Copenhagen, 2007
- M.Sc. in Financial Economics, P. Universidad Católica de Chile, 1999, *cum laude*
- B.Sc. in Business & Economics, Universidad Gabriela Mistral, Chile, 1997, *summa cum laude*

**Work
experience**

A. Academic

- University of Copenhagen, Department of Economics, Sept. 2009–present.
Assistant research professor
Lecturer – Aspects of economic development in Latin America (graduate seminar, F2011)
 Economic growth and comparative development in Latin America (F2012).
- Copenhagen Business School, Department of Economics, April 2012–present.
Postdoc
- Kiel Institute for the World Economy, Germany, Oct.–Dec. 2008, May 2009.
Visiting researcher
- Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, Faculty of Economics & Finance, La Paz, Bolivia, 2000
Lecturer – Finance (graduate)

B. Professional

- The World Bank – Poverty Reduction/Econ Mngmt, 2010
Consultant
 - Bolivian Ministry of Energy – Unit of Norms and Technical Control, Mar.–Aug. 2004
Director
 - Bolivian Ministry of Finance – Bureau for Economic and Social Policy Analysis (“Unidad de Análisis de Política Económica y Social”, UDAPE), Mar. 2002–Feb. 2004
Senior Economist – Energy sector (oil, natural gas, electricity)
 - UDAPE, La Paz, Apr.–Dec. 2000
Junior Economist – Industry, telecommunications and transport
 - British Department for International Development (DFID–UKaid), La Paz, Feb.–Mar. 2000
Consultant
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Publications **A. Economic growth and comparative development**

- [2012] “Lightning, IT Diffusion and Economic Growth Across US States”, joint with T. B. Andersen, J. Bentzen and C-J. Dalgaard.
Review of Economics and Statistics, forthcoming [[link](#)].
- [2012] “Does Foreign Aid increase Foreign Direct Investment?”, joint with Eva Sunesen.
World Development, forthcoming [[link](#)].
- [2012] “The impact of Aid on Bureaucratic Quality”, joint with R. Thiele.
Journal of International Development **24**(3): 379-386. [[link](#)].

- [2011] “On the impact of Digital Technologies on Corruption: Evidence from U.S. states and across countries”, joint with T. B. Andersen, J. Bentzen and C-J. Dalgaard. *World Bank Economic Review* **25**(3): 387-417. [[link](#)].
- [2010] “Aid and Sectoral Productivity: Evidence from Panel Data”, joint with R. Thiele. *Journal of Development Studies* **46**(10): 1749-1766. [[link](#)]

B. Energy

- [2004] “Political economy of adjusting prices of refined oil products”. *Revista Nueva Economía* 515 (January). (“La economía política de un ajuste de precios”, in Spanish, [link](#)).
- [2003] “Subsidy to domestic consumption of Petrol Gas”, joint with Katherina Capra. *Revista Nueva Economía* 509 (December). (“Subsidio al consumo de gas licuado de petróleo”, in Spanish, [link](#)).

Current projects

- “Marine resources, comparative development and longevity: The contribution of oceans biogeography to health and life expectancy.” Research program, ØI, KU.
- “Roads to prosperity”. With C-J. Dalgaard and Ola Olsson (U. of Gothenburg).
- 2012 Bolivian Conference in Development Economics. Conference chair.
- PEGNet conference 2013, Copenhagen. Local organizer. In collaboration with the Kiel Institute for the World Economy and GTZ.

Selected conference presentations & invited seminars

- [2012] University of Naples Parthenope.
Copenhagen Business School.
- [2011] Minerva Center for Economic Growth, Hebrew University of Jerusalem.
LACEA Annual Congress, U. Adolfo Ibáñez, Chile.
2011 Bolivian Conference in Development Economics, UCB-La Paz, Bolivia.
The effectiveness of aid for development. Workshop, Institute for Economic Analysis (CSIC, BGSE), Barcelona.
- [2010] LACEA Annual Congress, Universidad EAFIT, Medellín, Colombia.
2010 BCDE Conference, INESAD-UPB, La Paz.
4th Nordic Summer Symposium in Macroeconomics, Mustio, Finland.
Nordic Conference in Development Economics, HECER-WIDER, Helsinki.
Departmental seminar, Syddansk Universitet, Odense.
- [2009] LACEA-LAMES, Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Buenos Aires.
2009 Bolivian Conference on Development Economics, INESAD-UPB, La Paz.
7th Development Dialogue: Setting the agenda for development, Institute of Social Studies (ISS), The Hague.
- [2008] Departmental seminar, Kiel Institute for the World Economy, Germany.
Seminar on Political Corruption, UCB-INESAD, La Paz.
Nordic Conference in Development Economics, Stockholm School of Economics.
QED Workshop, Université Paris I - Sorbonne.
Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Université Lille II, France.
- [2007] PEGNet Conference 2007, GTZ-Kiel Institute, Berlin.
- [2006] LACEA-LAMES Annual Congress, ITAM, México DF.
Nordic Conference in Development Economics, University of Oslo.

Professional affiliations	<p><i>Senior economist</i>, Institute for Advanced Development Studies, INESAD, La Paz.</p> <p><i>Board member (2009-2011), President (2012-2014)</i>, Sociedad de Economistas de Bolivia.</p> <p><i>Member</i>, Econometric Society, Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association.</p>
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Selected grants & professional activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Sapere Aude – Ung Eliteforsk</i> research grant from the Danish Research Council, 2012–2014. ▪ Third international conference in Development Economics in Bolivia (conference chair, BCDE 2011). Grants from CAF, DANIDA, IDB, BancoSol, IDRC. ▪ Second international conference in Development Economics in Bolivia (conference chair, BCDE 2010). Grants from the DDRN, Kiel IfW, Fundación Estás Vivo. ▪ First international conference in Development Economics in Bolivia (conference chair, BCDE 2009). Grant from the Danish Development Research Network (DANIDA). ▪ Visiting research scholar grant for the Kiel Institute for the World Economy (2008), from PEGNet. ▪ Referee for <i>Journal of Economic Growth</i> and <i>Southern Economic Journal</i>.
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Languages	English, Spanish, Danish (<i>Danskuddannelse 3</i>).
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