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Personal

Born in Barcelona, September 20 1974, Spanish and British citizen, married with one daughter.

Main Appointment

Senior Lecturer in Political Economy

Fields of Supervision

Political Economy (Institutions, Decentralisation), Economics of Social Policy (Insurance, Aging, Prevention)

Academic Positions

Full Time Faculty Affiliations

Senior Lecturer (previously Lecturer and previously research fellow), London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), 2007-

Lecturer (tenured) in Economics, (previously lecturer and teaching fellow, promoted to full professor in 2010 whilst on leave), University of Barcelona (UB), 1996- 2007.

Fellowships

CESifo Research Network Fellow, Munich, 2008-

Research Associate, Political Science and Political Economy Group, LSE, 2007-

Research Fellow, FEDEA, Madrid, 2007-

Senior Research Fellow, LSE Health, (LSE), 2003-

Research Associate, CAEPS & XREPP, UB 2007-

Temporary Affiliations

Visiting Research Scholar, CReMed, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF), Spring 2010.

Visiting Research Fellow, Institute of Aging, Oxford University, Spring 2009.

Visiting Research Scholar, Centre for Economic Studies (CESifo), Summer 2008.

Visiting Professor, Universidad Iberoamericana, México DF, Summer 2007.

World Bank Consultant - Health, Nutrition and Population Department, Spring 2006, 2010.

Education

Main

BSc (Licenciado) in Economics, University of Barcelona (UB), 1996.

MSc (Econ), London School of Economics (LSE) (with distinction), 1999.

PhD in Economics & Marie Curie Post-doctoral Fellowship Training (LSE), 2001.

Other complementary training

MPhil & LLB (Licenciado) in Law (UB), 1997.

BSc (Licenciado) in Political Science (UNED), 2003.

MA in Applied Econ, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (UPF), 1998.

PGCert Associate (LSE), 2010.

Publications

Journal Publications

2011

1. “Does Cost Sharing really reduce Inappropriate Prescriptions among the Elderly?” (with M Gemmill-Toyama). *Health Policy*, 2011, in press.
2. “Optimistic Old Age Disability and Longevity Expectations? (with Costa-Font, M)” *Social Indicators Research*, 2011, in press.
3. “Tackling Neglect and Mental Health Care Reform in a Devolved System of Welfare Governance” (with L Salvador, J Cabases, J Alonso and D McDaid). *Journal of Social Policy*, 2011, **40(2)**: 295-312.
4. “Biases in the Health Care Luxury Good Hypothesis? A Meta-regression Analysis” (with M Gemmill-Toyama and G Rubert). *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society – Series A*, 2011, **174**, 95–107

2010

5. "Family Ties and the Crowding Out of Long Term Care Insurance" *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*, 2010, **26(4)**.
6. “Ageing, health, and health care” (with Breyer, F and Felder, S). *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*, 2010, **26(4)**.
7. “Decomposing cross-country differences in levels of obesity and overweight: does the social environment matter? “(with J Gil, J and D Fabbri), *Social Science and Medicine*, 2010, **70 (8)** : 1185–1193.
8. “Housing Wealth and Housing Decisions in Old Age: Sale and Reversion” (with J Gil and O Mascarilla). *Housing Studies*, 2010, **25(3)**: 375 — 395.
9. “Does Devolution lead to Regional Inequalities in Welfare Activity? *Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy*, 2010. **28(3)** 435 – 449.
10. “Devolution, Diversity and Welfare Reform: Long-Term Care in the ‘Latin Rim’”. *Social Policy and Administration*, 2010, **44 (4)**: 481-494.

2009

11. “Decomposing Body Mass Index Gaps Between Mediterranean Countries: A Counterfactual Quantile Regression Analysis” (with D Fabbri and J Gil). *Economics and Human Biology* 2009, **7(3)**: 351–365.
12. “Risk Perceptions, Myopia and the Willingness to Pay for Long Term Care Insurance in Catalonia” (with M Font Vilalta). *Applied Economics Letters*, 2009, **16(13)**: 1301 – 1305
13. “Exploring the pathways of inequality in health access and financing in decentralised Spain,” (with J Gil) *Journal of European Social Policy*, 2009, **19 (5)**: 446-458.
14. “‘Ageing in Place’? An Examination of Elderly people housing preferences in Spain,”(with O Mascarilla and D Elvira). *Urban Studies*, 2009, **46(2)**: 295–316.
15. “Risk Attitudes and the Demand for Private Health Insurance: The importance of Captive Preferences,” (with Jaume Garcia). *Annals of Public and Cooperative Economics*, 2009, **80(4)**: 499-521.
16. “When is the Internet a valued communication device for health information in Europe?,” (with C Rudisill and E Mossialos). *Economics of Innovation and New Technology*, 2009, **18(5)**: 429 – 445.
17. “Optimism and the perceptions of new risks,” (with C Rudisill and E Mossialos). *Journal of Risk Research*, 2009, 12 (1): 27-41.

2008

18. “Generational Effects and Gender Height Dimorphism in Contemporary Spain,” (with J Gil). *Economics and Human Biology*, 2008, **6 (1)**: 1–18.
19. “Compulsory Language Educational Policies and Identity Formation” (with I Clots, O Aspachs and P Masella), *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 2008, **6(2-3)**: 434-444.
20. “Competition in off-patent drug markets: Issues, regulation and evidence,” (with P Kanavos and L Sheeley). *Economic Policy*, 2008, **23(55)**: 497–538.
21. “The Impact of Decentralization and Inter-territorial Interactions on Spanish Health Expenditure,” (with F Moscone) *Empirical Economics*, 2008, **34 (1)**: 167-184.
22. “The Secession of the Wealthy: Demand for Private Health Insurance and Support for the National health System,” (with M Jofre-Bonet). *Bulletin of Economic Research*, 2008, **60(3)**: 265-285.
23. “Relative Income and Attitudes towards Long Term care Financing, ” (with A Garcia and M Font-Vilalta). *Geneva Papers of Risk and Insurance*, 2008, **33(4)**: 673-93.
24. “Projecting long-term care expenditure in four European Union member states: the influence of demographic scenarios” (with R Wittenberg, C Patxot, A Comas-Herrera, C Gori , L Pickard H Rothgang). *Social Indicators Research*, 2008, **86 (2)**: 303-321.
25. “Attitudes as an expression of knowledge and 'political anchoring': the case of nuclear power in the United Kingdom” (with C Rudisill and E Mossialos). *Risk Analysis*, 2008, **28 (5)**: 1273-1283.
26. “Who is willing to pay for long-term care insurance in Catalonia?,” (with J Rovira). *Health Policy*, 2008, **86(1)**: 72–84.
27. “What lies behind socio-economic inequalities in obesity in Spain? A decomposition approach,” (with J Gil). *Food Policy*, 2008, **33 (1)**: 61-73.
28. “Would Socio-Economic Inequalities in Depression fade away with Income Transfers?,” (with J Gil). *Journal of Happiness Studies*, 2008, **9(4)**: 539-558.

29. "Housing assets and the socio-economic determinants of health and disability in old age". *Health and Place*, 14 (3), 2008, pp. 478-491
30. "Does organ donation legislation affect individuals' willingness to donate their own or their relative's organs?: evidence from European Union survey data". *BMC health services research*, 2008, 8 (48) (with Mossialos, E and Rudisill, C)

2007

31. "Public Health Expenditure and Spatial Interactions in a Decentralized National Health System," (with J Pons) *Health Economics*, 2007, **16 (3)**: 291 – 306.
32. "In Search of a Corrected Prescription Drug Elasticity Estimate: A Meta-Regression Approach," (with M Gemmill and A McGuire). *Health Economics*, 2007, **16(6)**: 627-643.
33. "Determinants of Out-of-pocket Pharmaceutical Expenditure and Access to Drugs in Catalonia," (with P Kanavos and J Rovira). *Applied Economics*, 2007, **39(5)**: 541-551.
34. "Are Perceptions of Risk and Benefits of Genetically Modified Food Independent?," (with E Mossialos). *Food Quality and Preference*, 2007, **18(2)**: 173-182
35. "Institutional Change, Innovation and Regulation Failure: Evidence from the Spanish Drug Market," (with J Puig-Junoy) *Policy and Politics*, 2007, **35(4)**: 701-718.
36. "Modeling an entitlement to long-term care services for older people in Europe: projections for long-term care expenditure to 2050, "_(with R Wittenberg, C Patxot, A Comas-Herrera, C Gori, L Pickard H Rothgang). *Journal of European Social Policy*, 2007, **17 (1)**: 33-48.

2006

37. "The public as a limit to technology transfer: The influence of knowledge and beliefs in attitudes towards biotechnology in the UK," (with E Mossialos). *Journal of Technology Transfer*, 2006, **31(6)**: 629-645.
38. "Future long-term care expenditure in Germany, Spain, Italy and the United Kingdom," (with R Wittenberg, C Patxot, A Comas-Herrera, C Gori, L Pickard H Rothgang). *Ageing & Society*, 2006, **26(1)**: 285-302.
39. "Revisiting the fat and jolly hypothesis: obesity and depression"" (with J Gil). *Socio-Economic Review*, 2006, **4(3)**: 513-542.
40. "Means Testing and the Heterogeneity of Housing Assets: Funding Long-Term Care in Spain," (O Mascarilla and D Elvira). *Social Policy & Administration*, 2006, **40(5)**: 543–559.
41. "Path dependency and the allocation of public investment in Mexico" (with E Rodriguez) *Environment and planning C: government and policy*, 2006, **24 (2)**. pp. 297-311.
42. "Devolution and the Inter-regional Inequalities in Health and Health Care in Spain," (with A Rico). *Regional Studies*, 2006, **40(8)**: 875–887.
43. "Vertical Competition in the Spanish National Health System (NHS)," (with A Rico) *Public Choice*, 2006, **128 (3-4)**: 477-498.
44. "Are Private Health Insurance Subscribers Unsatisfied with the Spanish National Health System?," (with M Jofre-Bonet). *Geneva Papers of Risk and Insurance*, 2006, **31 (4)**: 650-668.
45. "Insurance Coverage and the Heterogeneity of Health and Drug Spending in the United States" (with P Kanavos and M Gemmill) *Geneva Papers of Risk and Insurance*, 2006, **31 (4)**: 669-691.

2005

46. "Inequalities in self reported health within Spanish Regional Health Services: devolution re-examined?" *International Journal of Health Planning and Management*, 2005, 20(1): 41-52.
47. "Power Rather than Path? The Dynamics of Institutional Change under Health Care Federalism," (with A Rico). *Journal of Health Politics, Policy & Law*, 2005, 30(1): 231-252.
48. "Is the impact of public investment neutral across the regional income distribution? Evidence from Mexico," (with E Rodriguez). *Economic Geography*, 2005, 81(3): 305-322.
49. "Ambivalent' individual preferences towards biotechnology in the European Union: products or processes?" (with E Mossialos) *Journal of Risk Research*, 2005, 8(4):341-354.
50. "Trade and the Effect of Public Investment on Regional Inequalities in Heterogeneously Integrated Areas, " (with E Rodriguez). *The World Economy*, 2005, 26(6): 873-892.
51. "Pharmaceutical Parallel Trade in Europe: Impact on Stakeholders and Competition Effects," (with P Kanavos). *Economic Policy*, 2005, 20(44): 753-798.
52. "Is Dread of Genetically Modified Food Associated with the Consumers Demand for Information?" (with E Mossialos). *Applied Economics Letters*, 2005, 12(12): 859–863.
53. "Diversity and regional inequalities: assessing the outcomes of the Spanish 'system of health care services', (with G López-Casasnovas and I Planas). *Health Economics*, 2005, 14(S): S221–S235.
54. "Is there 'Patient selection' in the demand for private maternity care in Greece?," (with E Mossialos, D Davaki and K Karras). *Applied Economics Letters*, 2005, 12(1): 7-12.
55. "Eliciting Preferences for Collectively Financed Health Programs: the 'Willingness to Assign' Approach, " (with J Rovira). *Applied Economics*, 2005, 37(14), 1571–1583.
56. "Obesity and the incidence of chronic diseases: a seemingly unrelated probit approach (with J Gil). *Economics and Human Biology*, 3(2). pp. 188-214.
57. "When do Smokers 'Underestimate' Smoking Related Mortality Risks?" (with J Rovira). *Applied Economics Letters*, 2005, 12(13).

2004

58. "Social interactions and the contemporaneous determinants of individuals' weight," (with J Gil). *Applied Economics*, 2004, **36(20)**: 2253-2263.
59. "The intergenerational impact of long-term care financing alternatives in Spain," (with C Patxot). *Geneva Papers of Risk and Insurance*, 2004, **29(4)**:599-620.
60. "National Health Service use, captive preferences and the demand for private health insurance in Spain," (with M Font Vilalta). *Geneva Papers of Risk and Insurance*, 2004, **29(4)**: 706-719.

2003

61. "Political Competition and Pork-barrel Politics in the Allocation of Public Investment in Mexico," (with D Luna-Pla and E Rodriguez). *Public Choice*, 2003, **116(1-2)**: 185-204.
62. "Spanish Regions and the Macroeconomic Benefits of the European Monetary Union," (with R Tremosa). *Regional Studies*, **37(3)**, 217-226.
63. "Demand for Private Health Insurance: How Important is the Quality Gap?," (with J Garcia). *Health Economics*, 2003, **12(7)**: 587-599.

2000

64. "Smoking risks in Spain (part II): Perceptions of Environmental Tobacco Smoke Externalities," (with J Rovira, Kip Viscusi, F Antoñanzas, and I Carvalho). *Journal of Risk and Uncertainty*, 2000, **21(2-3)**: 187-212.

Perspective Articles

65. "Evaluating Mental Health Care and Policy in Spain" (with Luis Salvador-Carulla, J Cabases, David McDaid, J Alonso). *Journal of Mental Health Policy and Economics*, **13(2)**: 73-86.
66. "Social capital and the social formation of health-related preferences and behaviours," (with Mladovsky, P). *Health Economics, Policy and Law*, 2009, **3(4)**: 413-427.
67. "The Limits to the Design of Long Term Care Insurance Schemes: the Spanish Experience in Comparative Research" (with M Font Vilalta). *International Social Security Review*, 2006, **59(4)**: 91-110.
68. "Why some people go private and others do not: supplementary health insurance in Spain," (with J Rovira). *Public Finance and Management*, 2005, **5(4)**, 523-543.
69. "The design of the long-term care system in Spain: policy and financial constraints," (with C Patxot). *Social Policy & Society*, 2005, **4(1)**: 11-20.
70. "The Pharmaceutical Market Regulation in Spain Is Drug Cost-Containment under Question?," (with J Puig). *Journal of Pharmaceuticals Finance, Economics and Policy*, 2004, **13(4)**: 33-49.

Main Working Papers

- "Anorexia, Body Image and Peer Effects: Evidence from a Sample of European Women" Revised and resubmitted to *Economica*.
- "Triggers of Housing Well Being in Old Age" Revised and resubmitted to *Urban Studies*.
- "Social Identity and Preferences for Redistribution" (with F Cowell) Revised and resubmitted to *CESifo Economic Studies*.
- "When Do Fiscal Interactions Engender a "Race to the Bottom"? A Meta-Regression Analysis" (with Doucouliagos, C and De-Albuquerque, F). About to be submitted.
- "Does devolution improve Health System Satisfaction?" About to be submitted.
- "Should Regulatory Arbitrage be Promoted? The case of Medicines Parallel Trade" About to be submitted.
- "Persistence despite Action? Measuring the Patterns of Health Inequality in England (1997-2007) (with Hernandez-Quevedo, C and McGuire, A)" Submitted.
- "Does Globalisation explain Obesity and caloric Intake?" (with Mas, N and Navarro, P) About to be submitted.
- "Agency Failure and the Intergenerational Transmission of Child Obesity" (with J Gil) About to be submitted.
- "Cultural Transmission of Lifestyles" (with Jofre-Bonet, J and LeGrand, J) About to be submitted.
- "Insuring v Self-Insuring Long Term care?" About to be submitted.

Book Chapters

“Housing markets, Wealth and Self-Insurance in Spain” (with Joan Gil and Oscar Mascarilla). In Smith, S.J and Searle, B (eds). *The Blackwell Companion to the Economics of Housing*. Blackwell publishing, 2009.

“Knowledge, technology and demand for online health information” (with Caroline Rudisill and Elias Mossialos). In Costa-Font, J, Courbage, C and McGuire, A (eds). pp 109-124 *The Economics of New Health Technologies*. Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Health Insurance and the uptake of new drugs in the United States” (with Victoria Serra and Marin Gemmill). In Costa-Font, J, Courbage, C and McGuire, A (eds). pp259-274 *The Economics of New Health Technologies*. Oxford University Press, 2009.

“Which Policies enable Smoking Cessation” (with E Mossialos). In Cholewka, P and Motlagh, M(eds). *Health Capital and Sustainable Socioeconomic Development*. pp 379-404, Taylor & Francis, 2008.

“Dealing with Health care Security” (with M Costa, J Rovira, R Rodríguez and P Sandiford). In Cholewka, P and Motlagh, M(eds). *Health Capital and Sustainable Socioeconomic Development*. pp 405-418, Taylor & Francis, 2008.

“Pricing And Reimbursement Policies in Spain: Current and Future Trends” In Garau, M and Mestre, J (ed) *European Medicines Pricing and Reimbursement. Now and the future*. Radcliffe, London, 2006.

“Public perceptions, ambivalence and the endogenous regulation of biotechnology in the UK” (with E Mossialos). In C. Sausman and S. Dawson (eds) *Future of Health Organizations*, Palgrave, MacMillan, 2006.

Publications in other languages

“¿A quien beneficia el comercio paralelo de medicamentos en la Unión Europea?” (with P Kanavos). *El Trimestre Económico*, 2009, **76(2)**: 331-347.

“Una Exploración de las Desigualdades Socioeconómicas en Morbilidad en España” (with J Gil). *Cuadernos Económicos de ICE*, 2008, **75(1)**: 43-63.

“Importaciones paralelas de medicamentos: El caso de la Simvastatina en Alemania, Holanda y el Reino Unido,” (with P Kanavos). *Gaceta Sanitaria*, 2007, **21(1)**: 53-59.

“Riquesa Immobiliària i de Finançament de la Dependència a Catalunya,” (with O Masacarilla). *Nota d'Economia*, 2006, **85**: 81-93

“Participación pública y revelación de preferencias sobre programas sanitarios: un enfoque de sistema sanitario”. *Gaceta Sanitaria*, 2005, **19(3)**:242-252.

“Establecimiento de prioridades, participación colectiva y decisión publica en sanidad”. *Información Comercial Española, Revista de Economía*, 2003, **804**: 141-155.

“Cautividad y demanda de seguros sanitarios privados,” (with J Garcia). *Cuadernos Económicos de ICE*, 2002, **55**: 71-88.

“Establecimiento de prioridades, opinión pública y sistema sanitario en España” *Gaceta Sanitaria*, 2001, **15(3)**: 237-244.

“Implicaciones controvertidas en la aplicación de los años de vida ajustados por calidad,” (with R Rodríguez). *Hacienda Pública Española*, 2000, **153 (2)**: 31-44.

“Ampliación hacia el Este y Unión Monetaria,” (with J Batalla). *Cuadernos Europeos de Deusto*, 1999, **20**: 23-39.

“¿Qué influencia ejerce el "país líder" en la formación de un área monetaria? El caso del Este asiático” (with J Batalla and J Pons). *Información Comercial Española, Revista de Economía*, 1999, **782**: 127-137, 1999.

Edited Books

“Financing European Long Term Care” (co-editor Courbage, C). Palgrave , 2011.
“Reforming Long Term care in Europe”. Broadening Perspectives in Social Policy ,*Wile -Blackwell*, 2011.
“The Economics of New Health Technologies. Incentives, organisation and Financing”, *Oxford University Press*, 2009 (co-editor Courbage, C and McGuire, A).

Editorials

“Economics of Ageing: An Introduction”, *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*, 2010.
“Long term Care in Europe: searching for almost ideal organisational models and feasible financing schemes”. *Social Policy & Administration*, 2010, **44(4)**: 357–358.
“Decentralization, welfare and social citizenship in contemporary democracies” (with Banting, K). *Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy*, 2010, **28(3)** 381 – 388.
“Innovation and health: pathways to new technologies” (with C Courbage and Andrea Mina). *Economics of Innovation and New Technologies*, 2009, **18(5)**: 403 – 406.
“On Risk, Attitudes and Behaviour”. *Risk Management*, 2008, **10(3)**: 153-155.
“On Health, Ageing and Insurance”, (with C Courbage). *Geneva Papers Risk and Insurance*, 2006, **31(4)**: 551-556.

Book Reviews

“Territory, Democracy and Justice”, *Regional Studies*, 2010, **44(1)**: 135-135.
“The Politics of European Union Health Policies”, *Journal of European Social Policy*, 2010, **20(2)**.
"Scaling up health service delivery", *International Journal of Health Planning and Management*, 2009, **24(4)**: 366-7.
"Análisis económico de la financiación pública de medicamentos". *Gaceta Sanitaria*, 2003, **17 (1)**: 83.

Book Prologues

“Catalonia: An Emergent Economy” Authored by Ramon Tremosa, Sussex Press.

Competitive Research Projects

Awards and Research Prices

“La Caixa *Social Science* Award, Premi Rogeli Duacastella de Ciències Socials”, June 2008.
“Edad & Vida Award for Research on Aging”, Edada & Vida, March 2007
“Emerald Literati Network Awards for Excellence”, 2007, Outstanding Paper published in 2006 in the *International Journal of Social Economics*.
“Brian Abel Smith Student Prize”, Department of Social Policy, London School of Economics, London , 2000.
“PhD award to complete a PhD Thesis”, Fundació Jaume Bofill, Barcelona, 1999
“European Studies Research Award” Instituto de Estudios Europeos, Valladolid ,1997.

Main Funded Research Projects

“EMP Role in FDI Promotion Trade Liberalization of Services: Failures and Causes”
 (40,000€)
 “Inequalities in Health Prevention in Spain and the UK” Institute of Fiscal Studies, Madrid.
 (with Hernandez, C and Jumenez, D) (9,000€)
 “National Audit Office study on Inequalities in Health in England 1997-2007” (with A
 McGuire and Hernandez, C) (20,000£)
 “LSE Catalan Observatory” at LSE (with P Preston), (186,000)
 “Social Identity and the formation of preferences towards inequality and social justice”
 STICERD 2009 Research Fund (3750£)
 “LSE Santander Research Fund”, 2009 (2500£)
 “Reverse Mortgages: housing wealth and self insurance” Social Science Award, Fundació
 Obra Social La Caixa , Barcelona February 2008.(18,000€)
 “Reconstructing democracy in Europe” (Leading researcher: ARENA Oslo)(with Waltraud
 Schelke and Christa van- Wijnbergen)
 “An empirical analysis of economic centralisation and concentration in Spain” Catalan
 Department of Trade, Universities and Enterprise, 2008.(30,000 €)
 “ An Evaluation of the Spanish Pharmaceutical Policy 2004-2007”. Spanish Minister of Health
 and Consumption, 2007.(12,000€))
 “Economics of Catalan Identity” Catalan Department of Trade, Universities and Enterprise,
 2007.(30,000 €)
 “Self-Insurance, Housing Assets and Long-term Care” Award on Ageing Reseach, Edad &
 Vida Foundation, Barcelona, 2007(30,000€)
 “Technology, Innovation and change in health and health care”, Brocher Foundation Scientific
 Programme, 2006.(30,000 €)
 “Health Inequalities among Spanish regional health services” Annual Bayer Health
 Economics Award, Asociación de Economía de la Salud (AES), 2003(12,000€)
 “Long Term care Financing: Spanish social and health care model” (Agrupació- Mutua, 2001).
 (12,000 €, Agrupació- Mútua)
 “Análisis y evaluación de políticas de fomento de la competencia en el mercado farmacéutico
 español” (BBVA, 2003-2005). (Leading researcher: J Puig Junoy).
 “Intra-Regional Inequalities in Spanish Region State’s”, Ministry of Health and Consumption,
 Spanish State, 2004(30,000 €, Spanish Ministry of Health)

Main Presentations

Conferences

CESifo Conference “Behavioural Welfare Economics”, Venice, 2010
 Welfare Directions, St Catherin’s College, Oxford University, Oxford, July 2009
 Annual Cambridge Regulation Conference, University of Cambridge, November 2008.
 Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Jena, March, 2008.
 Regional Studies Annual Conference, University of Economics, Prague, March, 2008.
 European Economic Association Meeting, Budapest, August 2007.
 Royal Statistical Society Conference, 2007, York July, 2007.
 International Health Economics Congress, Copenhagen, July 2007
 First World Meeting of the Public Choice Society, Amsterdam, March, 2007.
 First Conference on Spatial Statistics and Econometrics, Rome May 2006.
 European Health Economics Conference, Budapest, July 2006
 European Urban and Regional Studies Conference, Copenhagen, September, 2006.

International Health Economics Association Conference, Barcelona, July 2005.
Conference of the Canadian Association for Health Services and Policy Research, Montreal, May 2004.
International Health Economics Association Meeting, San Francisco, July 2003
Annual Conference, Regional Studies Association, London, November 2003.
Economic Science Association Meeting, Barcelona, 2001.
Health Economics Study Group, London City University, 2001
International Health Economics Association Meeting, York, 2001.
European Regional Science Association Meeting, Zagreb, August 2001.
Health Economics Study Group, Oxford University, 2000
European Regional Science Association Meeting, Dublin August 1999.
Health Economics Study Group, Aberdeen, 1999
European Regional Science Association, Vienna, August 1998.
Jerusalem Health Policy Conference, Jerusalem, December, 1998.
International Health Economics Association Meeting, Rotterdam, July, 1998.
Economic Science Association Meeting, Mannheim, 1998.
Health Economics Study Group, Birmingham, 1998

Conference Organization Duties

Member of the Scientific Committee of the 8th *International Health Economics Association* (IHEA) Conference, Toronto, July 2011
Co-organiser of the *CESifo Venice Summer Institute* on Behavioural Welfare Economics, 21 -22 July, 2010 Venice.
Co-organiser of the Workshop “Economics of the Mediterranean and the Euromediterranean Process” *Universitat Pompeu Fabra*, Barcelona July 16th -17th, 2010.
Co-organiser of Panel Series on “the Economics of the Mediterranean” at the “World Congress for Middle Eastern Studies”. Barcelona, 19 to 24 July 2010
Co-organiser of the Workshop on Health care Financing and Access, University of Barcelona, April 2009
Co-organizer of the Symposium on “Innovation and Technology Change in Health and Health Care”, October 18-19 2007, Geneva.
Organizer of the Preference Elicitation Meeting 2007 in Barcelona “Risk, Attitudes and Behaviour”, May 11th, 2007.
Member of the Scientific Committee of the 6th *International Health Economics Association* (IHEA) Conference, Copenhagen, July 2007.
Member of the Local Organization Committee of the 5th *International Health Economics Association* (IHEA) Conference, Barcelona, July 2005.
Member of the Local Organization Committee of the 5th *European Conference on Health Economics* (ECHE), London, September 2004.
Member of the Poster Prize Committee of the 3rd *International Health Economics Association* (IHEA) Conference, York, July 2001
Summer School course organiser 2001 “Juliols de la UB” on the “The Challenges of Aging and the Welfare state”.

Keynote, Plenary speaker and guest lectures

Plenary speaker in the Insurance, Inequality and Health Conference, *University of Darmstadt*, June 2011.
Plenary Speaker “Future of the Welfare State after the Economics Downturn”. *II Forum for Social Services*, Barcelona Provincial Government, Diputacio de Barcelona.

Keynote speaker on European health Systems, Workshop KEE-Bank Seminar on the Spanish Health System” *WHO-European Office*, Madrid, October 2010.

Keynote speaker in the *Conference - Kings College and Spanish Presidency of the European Union*, 2010.

Keynote Speaker in the Annual Academic Conference on Trade and Healthcare, Institute of Health Policy and Management, *Erasmus University*, Rotterdam, December 2009.

Keynote Lecture on risk for the “Thinking like a Social Scientist” series, Hong Kong Theatre, *London School of Economics*, and October 2009

Guest Speaker in the Monitoring the Impact of IP Protection on Public Health. *WHO, ICTSD, World Bank Institute*, May, 2008.

Keynote Speaker in the *Office of Health Economics*, London, 30th November 2005.

Guest Lecture at the *British Public Health Association Conference*, (Brighton, April 2004)

ESADE Key note Lecture on Long term Care Insurance, *ESADE*, Barcelona, 2001

Invited presentations

“Invited Seminar in the Department of Food Economics and Marketing”, School of Agriculture Policy and Development *University of Reading*, March 2011.

“Invited Seminar at the Intitute of Aging” *Oxford University*, 2010.

“Invited Workshop on Policy Learning and Policy Transfer in Multilevel Systems”, Scottish Policy Innovation Forum and *University of Aberdeen and Royal Society of Edinburgh*, January 2010

“Fifth Transatlantic Dialogue (5TAD)”, jointly organised workshop between *George Washington, George Mason and Rutgers Universities*, June 2009

“Invited Seminar at the Second FEDEA Health Economics Workshop”, *Universitat Pompeu Fabra*, May 2008.

“Invited Seminar at the First FEDEA Health Economics Workshop”, *FEDEA*, Madrid, November 2007.

Invited Seminar at the International Think-Tank on the “Management and Governance of Housing Wealth” , *Durham University (UK)*, February, 2007.

“Performing Regions and Regional Performance”, *Institute for Advanced Studies, University of Lancaster*, and September, 2007.

“Invited Seminar in the Department of Economics, *Universidad Iberoamericana*, Mexico. July 2007.

“Invited Seminar at the I Workshop on Politics and Health Policy”, *University of Oxford*, December, 2005.

“Invited Seminar at the Economic of Genetics Workshop”, April, *Oxford University*, April 2004.

“Invited Seminar at the Preference Elicitation Group Meeting”, *London School of Economics*, London, December, 2003.

“Invited Seminar at the Health Policy Group”, *London School of Economics*, 2002.

“Invited Seminar at the LSE Health Seminar Series”, *London School of Economics*, 2002.

“Invited Seminar at the Seminar Series of the Belarus University of Economics, 2000

Editorial Duties

Editor

Co-Editor of *Applied Economics, Perspectives and Policy*, Oxford University Press, 2011-

Co-Editor of *Europe in Question Discussion Paper Series (LEQS)*, 2009-

Special Issue editor

Special Issue co-editor, *CESifo Economic Studies*, 2011.
Special issue co-editor, *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*, 2010
Special Issue editor, *Environment & Planning C: Government & Policy*, 2010
Special Issue editor, *Social Policy & Administration*, 2009
Co-editor of the Special Issue of *Economics of Innovation and New Technologies*, December, 2009 (with Andrea Mina & Christophe Courbage).
Editor of a Special Issue of *Risk Management*, July 2008.
Co-editor of the Special issue of the *Geneva papers of Risk and Insurance*, October 2006.

Editorial board membership

Member of the editorial board of *The Open Political Science Journal* (for contributions in the area of political economy), 2007 -, *Bienestar y Política Social/Well being and Social Policy*, Journal of the Inter-American Conference of Social Security, 2009-

Academic Refereeing Duties

For academic journals

Economic Journal (2009), *Economica* (2006), *Oxford Economic Papers* (2010), *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society Series A* (2007), *Oxford Review of Economic Policy* (2010), *Risk Analysis* (2008a, 2008b, 2011), *Governance* (2010), *Public Choice* (2003, 2007), *Journal of Health Economics* (2003, 2004, 2005, 2006a, 2006b, 2007, 2008, 2010), *Health Economics* (2005, 2006, 2007a, 2007b, 2007c, 2008a, 2008b, 2008c, 2009a, 2009b, 2010), *European Journal of Political Research* (2008, 2009, 2010), *Journal of Economic Surveys* (2010), *Economics of Transition* (2004), *Bulletin of Economics Research* (2008), *Journal of Social Policy* (2005, 2009, 2010), *International Regional Science Review* (2008), *Health Policy* (2005, 2006, 2007), *Social-Science and Medicine* (2008a, 2008b, 2008c, 2009a, 2009b, 2009c, 2010a, 2010b, 2010c), *International Journal of Health Finance and Economics* (2008, 2009, 2010), *Food Policy* (2007a, 2007b, 2008, 2010), *Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy* (2007, 2008, 2009), *Health & Place* (2009, 2010a, 2010b), *Journal of Technology Transfer* (2005), *Geneva Papers of Risk and Insurance* (2004, 2006, 2008a, 2008b, 2010), *Economics and Human Biology* (2007a, 2007b, 2008a, 2008b, 2008c, 2009a, 2009b, 2009c, 2010a, 2010b, 2010c, 2010d, 2010e), *Journal of Economic Issues* (2008, 2010a, 2010b), *Spatial Economic Analysis* (2008, 2009), *Applied Economics* (2005, 2006), *Portuguese Economic Review* (2006), *Social Policy & Administration* (2008, 2009, 2010), *West European Politics* (2011), *Journal of Epidemiology and Community Medicine* (2005), *Public Administration* (2005), *Public Management Review* (2004), *Hacienda Pública Española/Revista de Economía Pública* (2002, 2003), *Health Economics, Policy and Law* (2007a, 2007b, 2007c, 2008a, 2008b), *Public Budgeting & Finance* (2010).

For research agencies

Economic and Social research Council, ESRC (2009), Belgian Science Policy Office (2009), Agencia Nacional de Evaluación y Prospectiva (2007, 2008, 2009a, 2009b), Ministry of Science and Education, Spain (2005, 2007), BBVA Foundation (2008), Agencia d'Avaluació de Technologies Sanitàries i Recerca Mèdiques (2010).

For academic publishers

Oxford University Press (2005, 2010), Palgrave (2006, 2010), Blackwell (2007), Routledge (2008, 2010, 2011), Taylor & Francis (2010)

For other institutions

Atomium Culture (Economics member in the Scientific Committee)

Public Policy Duties

Report on “Interaction of Tax and Social Health Insurance in Middle Income Countries”
Health, Nutrition & Population Section, 2010.

Report to the La Caixa Foundation “La riqueza inmobiliaria: un “cajero automático” para personas mayores?, Fundació Obra Social La Caixa, 2008.

Report to Edad & Vida Foundation “Capacidad de la Vivienda en Propiedad como Instrumento de Financiación de las Personas Mayores en España,” Fundación Edad y Vida, 2007.

Member of the Committee of Experts on Health Financing, Catalan Department of Health, Catalan Government, 2008.

Member of the Board of the Catalan Institute of Finance (nominated by the Catalan Parliament) 2007-10

Principal Consultant to the Spanish Ministry of Health "An Evaluation of the Pharmaceutical Policy in Spain 2004-2007", 2007

Report on "The State of Pharmaceutical Sector and Drug Prices in Peru", Health, Nutrition & Population Section, 2006.

Report on “The Financing and Reimbursement of Pharmaceuticals in Turkey, LSE and Government of Turkey”(with Kanavos, P, Iustel, I (2005).)

Principal Consultant to the Spanish Ministry of Health “Interregional Inequalities in Health in Spain, 2005”, 2005.

Report on the “European Study of Long-Term Care Expenditure”. Report to the European Commission of Employment and Social Affairs & PSSRU DP 1840 (2003).(with L Pickard , A Comas-Herrera , Gori, A Di Maio, C Patxot, A Pozzi, H Rothgang and R Wittenberg)

Report on the “Economic Evaluation of Health Care Technologies”(In Russian).Tempus Tacis, Minsk, 2001. “*Health Economics*”(In Russian).Tempus Tacis, Minsk, 2000(with J Rovira)

Report on "The State of Pharmaceutical Sector and Drug Prices in Peru", Health, Nutrition & Population Section, 2006.

Report on “The Economic Impact of Pharmaceutical Parallel Trade in European Union Member States: A Stakeholder Analysis”. LSE Health and Social Care, London School of Economics and Political Science, LSE Health and Social Care Occasional Papers, January 2004,(with Kanavos, J, Merkur,S Gemmill,M.)

Teaching Responsibilities

Courses Designed and Convened

SA 4F7 Economics of European Social Policy, 2011-

SA Welfare Analysis and Measurement, 2011-

MG 207 Health Policy, Management and Economics, 2010-

EU 439 Political and Fiscal Integration and Disintegration in the EU, 2007-

EU 429 Political Economy of the Mediterranean and the Euro Mediterranean Process 2007-

UB Advanced Microeconomics, 2003-2005.

UB Health Economics, 2000-2005

UB Challenges of Aging and Health Care Systems , 2001

Courses Convened

EU 455 Concepts of Political Economy, 2010-
UB Economic Theory of the Firm and Industry, 2003-2007
UB Industrial Organisation Theory, 2001
UB Microeconomics III, 2003-7

Courses Taught

EU410 Interdisciplinary Research Methods and Design, 2007
EU554 Research Methods and Design in European Studies, 2007.
SA 488 Social Policy: Issues and Goals, 2008-
EU 456 Economics of European Social Policy , 2009-
SA4C9 Social Policy: Organisation and Innovation, 2009-
SA408 Health Economics, 2001-3, 2010-
SA101 Social Policy and Society, 2009
UB Macroeconomics, 1996-1999
UB Microeconomics, 1996-1999

Doctoral Students Supervised

Eduardo Rodriguez-Oreggia y Roman (2006, UB)
Caroline Rudisill (2008, LSE)
Charitini Stavropoulou (2008, LSE).
Nebibe Varol (2010, LSE)

Doctoral Students under supervision

Valentina Zigante, LSE
Azusa Sato, LSE
Laurence Lannes, LSE
Christina Novinsky, LSE
Laura Todaro, LSE
Sherry Merkur, LSE

Doctoral Panels Membership

Jacopo Signorile (2010, LSE)
Silvana Robone (2008, University of York)
Sandra C. Casquinha (2004, Universidad de Extremadura)
Jesús M. García Iglesias (2004, Universidad de Extremadura)
Farkas Hamar (2003, Budapest University of Economics Sciences)
Carmen Ayala, (2001, University of Liverpool).

Administrative Responsibilities

Convener MPA Social and Public Policy, LSE, 2010-

External Examiner, MSc Health Economics, City University, London, 2008-
Tenure Review Panel, University of Massachusetts (Health Policy), 2010.
Chair of the Teaching and Learning Committee of the European Institute, LSE, 2009-
Director of the LSE Catalan Observatory, 2008-10.
Member of the Academic Nominations Committee LSE 2009-
Co-editor EI Discussion Paper Series (LEQS), 2008-
Deputy Director, Cañada Blanch Center LSE, 2007-10
Member of the Doctoral Programme Committee, European Institute, LSE, 2007-9
MPhil/PhD Selector, European Institute, LSE, October 2007-9.
Academic Director of the Centre for the Economics Analysis and Social Policies (CAEPS),
2007-8, University of Barcelona (UB)
Convener “Microeconomics and Social Policy Seminars”, 2005-6, UB.
Elected member of the teaching committee, Economics section 2007, UB

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