



Pensions and Labor Markets: Challenges for the Americas

LACEA Labor Network

March 3-4, 2016

1400 16th St NW, Washington, DC

The sixth conference of the Lacea Labor Network will be devoted to pensions. In recent years, there has been a proliferation of studies that propose reforms to public and private pension systems in the Americas. This conference aims to gather together leading scholars, policy makers and help set directions for the design and implementation of future pension reforms.

PROGRAM

Day I: Thursday, March 3rd

9:00 to 9:15: Welcome

Katharine Abraham

(Maryland Center for Economics and Policy, University of Maryland)

9:15 to 10:15: Keynote Speaker

Nicholas Barr

(London School of Economics)

10:15 11:45: Invited Papers I

Dying to Retire: Adverse Selection and Welfare in Social Security.

Andrew Beauchamp and **Mathis Wagner** (Boston College)

Pension income indexation: A mean-variance approach.

Rodrigo LLuberas (Uruguay Central Bank and Universidad ORT)

How the Design of a Pension System Influences Old Age Poverty and Gender Equity: A Study of Chile's Private Retirement Accounts System.

Clement Joubert (World Bank) and Petra E. Todd (University of Pennsylvania).

12:00 – 1:30: Lunch

1:30 to 3:30pm: Invited Papers II

Pensions for all: Towards an inclusive and sustainable system for Argentina.

Nicolás Ajzenman and Pilar Tavella (Harvard Kennedy School of Government).

The General Regime of Social Security in Brazil: recent past and prospects for the future.

Marcelo Caetano, Rogerio Costanzi, **Leonardo Rangel** (Institute for Applied Economic Research - IPEA), Graziela Ansiliero, Eduardo da Silva Pereira, Luis Paiva (Brazilian Ministry of Planning)

Understanding the effects of non-contributory pension programs in Bolivia.

Werner L. Hernani-Limarino & Gary Mena (Fundación Aru)

How do we should charge administrative fees in an individual capitalization pension system? The case of Perú.

Noelia Bernal, Daniel Castillo, Nicolas Dominguez (University of Piura) and Javier Olivera (Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research)

3:30 to 4:00 – Coffee Break

4:00 to 5:30 – Round Table: Technical challenges for more equitable and sustainable pensions

Carmen Pagés-Serra

(IADB)

Eduardo Lora

(Harvard)

Carmelo Mesa-Lagos

(Professor, University of Pittsburgh)

Salvador Valdés

(Universidad Católica de Chile)

Day II: Friday, March 4th

9:00 to 10:00: Keynote Speaker

Ronald Lee

(University of California, Berkeley)

10:00 to 10:15– Coffee Break

10:15 to 12:30 – Round Table: The Political Economy of Pensions in Latin America

Alejandro Ferreiro

(Corpvida, former Superintendent of Pensions of Chile & Minister of Economy of Chile)

Santiago Levy

(Vice President for Sector and Knowledge, IADB)

Santiago Montenegro

(President of the Pension Fund Associations of Colombia).

Luis Valdivieso

(President of the Pension Fund Associations of Perú, former Ministry of Economy and Finance of Perú)

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