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WELAC (LACEA) WORKSHOP ON GENDER AND HOUSEHOLD ECONOMICS

PROGRAM

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May 12-13, 2025

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Day 1: May 12

Room: Aula Magna H-404

NOTICE: All times are in Peru Time (UTC-5)

Time allocation per paper: 25 minutes for presentation, 10 minutes for discussant and 10 minutes open to the floor for Q&A.

09:20-09:30 Welcome from **Raquel Fernández, NYU & WELAC**

▶ **SESSION 1: WOMEN IN POLITICS**

CHAIR

Raquel Fernández, NYU

09:30-10:15 Women in Office: Inspiring Words Against Silence

Presenter: Verónica Frisancho, CAF

Discussant: Mariana Viollaz, CEDLAS

10:15-11:00 Women Political Leaders as Agents of Environmental Change

Presenter: Mariana Viollaz, CEDLAS

Discussant: Julián Diaz-Gutierrez, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

11:00-11:30 Coffee break

▶ **SESSION 2: INTRA-HOUSEHOLD BARGAINING AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

CHAIR

Matilde Machado, UC3M

11:30-12:15 Gender-Targeted Transfers and Women's Consumption: A Structural Regression Discontinuity Approach

Presenter: Maira Colacce, Instituto de Economía, UdeLaR

Discussant: José Mota, University of Nebraska-Omaha

12:15-13:00 Entrepreneurship, Marriage and Female Labor Force Participation in the US

Presenter: Mehmet Demir, Nazarbayev University

Discussant: Tatiana Rosá, CAF

13:00-14:00 Lunch break

▶ **SESSION 3: EDUCATION**

CHAIR

Verónica Frisancho, CAF

14:00-14:45

Opportunity Bound: Transport and Access to College in a Megacity

Presenter: Fabiola Alba-Vivar, Wake Forest University

Discussant: Carla Srebot, University of British Columbia

14:45-15:30

To inspire and to inform: The Role of Role Models

Presenter: Muchin Bazan, Virginia Tech and Universidad de Piura

Discussant: Florencia Pinto, CEDLAS - Universidad Nacional de La Plata

15:30-16:00

Coffee break

▶ **SESSION 4: MIGRATION**

CHAIR

Ana Balsa, Universidad de Montevideo

16:00-16:45

International Migrants and the Human Capital Formation of Their Left-Behind Childre

Presenter: José Mota, University of Nebraska-Omaha

Discussant: Mehmet Demir, Nazarbayev University

Day 2: May 13

Room: Aula Magna H-404

▶ SESSION 5: MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH

CHAIR:

Pedro Cavalcanti, FGV EPGE

09:30-10:15

Protective and Preventive Tools for a Good Start: Supporting Households During Pregnancy Through a WhatsApp Chatbot

Presenter: Ana Balsa, Universidad de Montevideo

Discussant: Lorena Hakak, Fundação Getulio Vargas

10:15-11:00

Automation, Economic Shocks, and Infant Mortality: Evidence from Mexico

Presenter: Julián Díaz-Gutierrez, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Discussant: Matilde Machado, UC3M

11:00-11:30

Coffee break

▶ SESSION 6: GENDER WAGE GAP

CHAIR:

Christian Posso, Banco de la República

11:30-12:15

Employee Replacement Process and Gender Wage Differentials in Brazil

Presenter: Eloiza Almeida, Universidade de São Paulo, FEA-USP

Discussant: Verónica Amarante, CAF

12:15-13:00

Gender and Top Lifetime Earnings Inequality: Ten New Facts from Brazil

Presenter: Tomás Martínez, Insper

Discussant: Inés Berniell, CEDLAS - Universidad Nacional de La Plata

13:00-14:00

Lunch break

▶ SESSION 7: LAWS AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

CHAIR:

Inés Berniell, CEDLAS-UNLP

14:00-14:45

Deterrence Effects of Sentence Enhancement: Evidence from Femicide Law in Brazil

Presenter: Pedro Cavalcanti, FGV EPGE

Discussant: María Edo, Universidad de San Andrés

14:45-15:30

Firearms Laws and Violence Against Women

Presenter: Aly McTague, Universitat de Barcelona

Discussant: Christian Posso, Banco de la República

15:30-16:00

Break

▶ **SESSION 8 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

CHAIR:

Verónica Amarante, CAF

16:00-16:45

Gender-Based Violence in Schools and Girls' Education: Experimental Evidence from Mozambique

Presenter: Sarita Ore Quispe, Columbia University

Discussant: Alejandro Sierra, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile