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## Curriculum Vitae

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### 1 Personal data

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**Sex:** Male  
**Citizenship:** Spain  
**Civil Status:** Married, two children.

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### 2 Employment

- Professor of Economics. University of Edinburgh. [02/2008 – Present]
- Professor of Economics. University of Southampton. [10/2005 – 01/2008]
- Associate Professor. Universitat Pompeu Fabra. [04/2001 – 07/2012 (on leave since 10/2005)]
- Assistant Professor. Universitat Pompeu Fabra. [09/1995 – 04/2001]
- Research Assistant. Dept of Economics. MIT. [Summer 1994]
- Teaching Assistant. Dept of Economics. MIT. [01/1993 – 06/1994]
- Research Assistant. Institute of Economics Analysis. [06/1988 – 06/1990]

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### 3 Academic Visits

- Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. Summer 2015.
- University of Minnesota and Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis. Academic Year 2013-2014.
- IIES, Stockholm University. [07/2001 – 06/2002]
- IIES, Stockholm University. [11/1999 – 12/1999]
- IIES, Stockholm University. [09/1998 – 06/1999]

## 4 Education

- Ph.D. in Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Cambridge (MA), September 1995.
  - MA in Economic Analysis, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona. Barcelona (Spain), June 1990.
  - BA in Economics, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona. Barcelona (Spain), June 1988.
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## 5 Honors

- ESRC Large Grant “Credit and Labour Market Foundations of the Macroeconomy” (Co-Investigator; PI John Moore; Co-PIs Mike Elsby, Jonathan Thomas; 2015-2020)
  - Wallner’s Razor award at the 2013 Vienna Macroeconomic Conference.
  - Spanish National Science Foundation Grant. Project “Capital Humano, iniciativa empresarial y productividad”, ECO2011-25272, 2012–2015 (PI: Antonio Ciccone)
  - Spanish National Science Foundation Grant. Project “Development and inequality: from the local approach to the international perspective”, SEJ2007-64340-Consolider, 2008–2012. (PI: José García Montalvo).
  - Fundación Ramón Areces, Research Grant. Project “Incentivos, corrupción y crecimiento económico”, 2005–2007. (PI: José V. Rodríguez Mora)
  - Spanish Ministry of Education. Research Grant SEJ2004-06877/ECON, 2004–2007. (PI: José V. Rodríguez Mora)
  - Spanish Ministry of Education. Research Grant, 2001–2004. (PI: Teresa García-Milà)
  - Spanish Ministry of Education. DGES, grant no. PB95-0978, 1996–1999. (PI: Xavier Freixas)
  - Bank of Spain Graduate Fellowship, 1994.
  - Fulbright-MEC Graduate Fellowship, 1990–93.
  - Spanish Ministry of Education Graduate Fellowship, 1989–90.
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## 6 Membership in Academic Organizations

Research Affiliate at CEPR, [02/2000 – Present]

Research Affiliate at CESifo, [04/2002 – Present]

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## 7 Fields of Interest

- Macroeconomics, defined as anything that is interesting in economics.

Intergenerational Mobility  
Allocation of Talent.  
Political Economy.  
International Political Spillovers.  
Economic Integration.

International Economics  
Growth.  
Economics of Information.  
Frictions in Credit Markets.

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## 8 Published Research

- “*The Informational Content of Surnames, the Evolution of Intergenerational Mobility and Assortative Mating*” (with Maia Güell and Chris Telmer), *Review of Economic Studies* (2015) 82 (2): 693-735 first published online December 10, 2014 doi:10.1093/restud/rdu041 <sup>1</sup>
- “*Aspectos comerciales y fiscales relevantes para evaluar las consecuencias económicas de una hipotética independencia de Cataluña*”(with David Comerford and Nicholas Myers). *Revista de Economía Aplicada* Número 64 (vol. XXII), 2014, págs. 85 a 130
- “*It is Hobbes, not Rousseau: An Experiment on Voting and Redistribution*” (with Antonio Cabrales and Rosemarie Nagel). *Experimental Economics*. 2012, vol. 15, issue 2, pages 278-308.
- “*Who is Afraid of a Globalized World? Foreign Direct Investments, Local Knowledge and Allocation of Talents*” (with Giovanni Pica). *Journal of International Economics*. Volume 85, Issue 1, September 2011, Pages 86–101.
- “*Unemployment Insurance Design: inducing moving and retraining*” (with John Hassler). *European Economic Review*, 2008, vol. 52, pp. 757-791.
- “*Inequality and Mobility*” (with John Hassler and Joseph Zeira). *Journal of Economic Growth*, 2007, vol. 12 (3), pp. 235-259.
- “*The Effect of GNP Announcements on Fluctuations of GNP growth*” (with Paul Schustald). *European Economic Review*, 2007, vol. 51 (8), pp. 1922-1940.
- “*A positive theory of geographical mobility and social insurance*” (with John Hassler, Kjetil Storesletten and Fabrizio Zilibotti). *International Economic Review*, 2005, vol. 46 (1), pp. 263-303.
- “*The Survival of the Welfare State*” (with John Hassler, Kjetil Storesletten and Fabrizio Zilibotti). *The American Economic Review*, Vol. 93, No. 1, March 2003. pp. 1-26.
- “*Unemployment, Specialization, and Collective Preferences for Social Insurance*” (with John Hassler, Kjetil Storesletten and Fabrizio Zilibotti). In “*The New Economics of Inequality*”, edited by Thomas Piketty and Gilles Saint-Paul. Oxford University Press (2002).
- “*Intelligence, Social Mobility and Growth*” (with John Hassler). *The American Economic Review*, Vol. 90, No. 4, September 2000. pp. 888-908
- “*Employment Turnover and the Public Allocation of Unemployment Insurance*” (with John Hassler) *Journal of Public Economics* 73 (1999). pp. 55-83.

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## 9 Research Not Published (Yet)

- “*Correlating Social Mobility and Economic Outcomes.*” with Maia Güell, Michele Pellizzari and Giovanni Pica. February 2015. *Revise and Resubmit, The Economic Journal, Features on “Intergenerational Mobility”*
- *The Joint Determination of TFP and Financial Sector Size* with Christian Bauer. *Submitted RESTUD* (Slides)
- *The Gains from Economic Integration* with David Comerford.
- “*The Inheritance of Advantage*” with Mike Watts. (Slides)
- “*Temporary Contracts, Incentives and Unemployment*” (with Maia Güell), CEPR Discussion Paper 8116, 2010. Submitted. (Slides)
- “*Political Commitment and Loss Aversion*” (with John Hassler). (Slides)

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<sup>1</sup>The working paper version was titled slightly different: “Intergenerational Mobility and the Informative Content of Surnames”, CEPR Discussion Paper 6316. 2007

## 10 Projects and Ongoing Research

- “*Intergenerational mobility in the USA*”, joint with Miguel Morin and Maia Guell.
  - “*Measuring frictions with fixed and per weight costs*”, with David Comerford and Doireann Fitzgerald.
  - “*Time inconsistency and the timing of commitment*”, with Manuel Amador.
  - “*Quality Externalities in Capital Markets.*” with Christian Bauer. (Slides)
  - “*Choosing Moving Targets: Coordinating Technological Adoptions.*”
  - “*Assortative Mating and intergenerational mobility*”
  - “*Fixed costs and marginal costs explaining economic distance and the gains from trade*”
  - “*Procrastination and Commitment Technologies*”
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## 11 Research with very Low Probability of Being Ever Published

- “*Equilibrium Unemployment Insurance*”<sup>2</sup> (with John Hassler, Kjetil Storesletten and Fabrizio Zilibotti) 1999.
  - “*Misperceptions, Heterogeneity and Shared Knowledge*” UPF Working Paper. 1997.
  - “*Spirits, but not so Animal*”. 1996.
  - “*On how to bring Sunspots down to Earth*” 1996.
  - “*Misperceptions*”. Thesis Dissertation. MIT, 1995.
  - “*Patent Systems and the Industrial Revolution*”. 1994.
  - “*Desregulación en Mercados financieros: Una modelización de los efectos de los coeficientes de caja y de la desaparición de barreras institucionales a la entrada*”. Master thesis. Mimeo, UAB, 1990.
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## 12 Other Academic Publications

- “*Comentario al artículo “La viabilidad económica de una Cataluña independiente”, de Nuria Bosch y Marta Espasa*” Revista de Economía Aplicada Número 64 (vol. XXII), 2014, págs. 163 a 168.
- “*Efectos comerciales de la independencia del País Vasco*” in “La secesión de España. Bases para un debate desde el País Vasco”. Joseba Arregui, ed. Tecnos, Madrid, 2014. ISBN: 978-84-309-6145-0.
- “*Los costes económicos de una posible ruptura*” in “A favor de España: El coste de la ruptura”. Fernando Savater, ed. La Esfera de los Libros, Madrid, 2014. ISBN: 9788490601013.
- “*La asignación ineficiente del talento*”. En “Talento, esfuerzo y movilidad social”. Antonio Cabrales and Marco Celentani eds. Monografía FEDEA. Madrid, 2011.
- “*The Misallocation of Talent*”. “Els Opuscles del CREI”, num. 22, May 2009.
- “*Apellidos, herencias y movilidad intergeneracional*”, joint with Maia Güell, Sociedad Abierta, 2008.
- “*What’s in a name? Information on intergenerational mobility*”, with Maia Güell and Chris Telmer, CentrePiece, vol. 12(3), pp. 24-26, 2008.
- “*El tamaño sí importa: naciones pequeñas, naciones mezquinas*”. Revista de Libros n° 121, Enero 2007.

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<sup>2</sup>This is an old version of “*A Positive Theory of Geographic Mobility and Social Insurance*”. They have substantial differences, but apparently the newer version makes it obsolete, at least for publication.

- “La determinación del seguro de desempleo” en Rosario Gómez García Ed. “Jóvenes economistas en Andalucía”. Universidad de Málaga y Junta de Andalucía. 2000.
  - “Comentario de Andrés, Doménech y Taguas ‘Desempleo y Ciclo Económico en España” Moneda y Crédito no. 202, 1996.
  - “Desempleo masculino: probabilidades y diferencias regionales”, with A.J. Avila Cano, C. Pages Serra and M.C. Cuerel Baeza. Revista de estudios regionales, ISSN 0213-7585, No. 30, 1991, pp. 95-118.
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## 13 Articles in Popular Press (Mostly in Spanish)

### Welfare State, Equity and Efficiency

- “De los Apellidos de los Catalanes”. Joint with Maia Güell. 21/09/2015. Post en “Nada es Gratis”. (link) (pdf)
- “Experimento con final descorazonador”, by José V. Rodríguez Mora and Antonio Cabrales, 30-12-2012 Newspaper: La Vanguardia (Spain) (link)
- “Una mirada desapasionada a la desigualdad económica (I): Observando los hechos”, Revista de Libros, numero 187, marzo/abril 2013. (link)
- “Una mirada desapasionada a la desigualdad económica (II)”, Revista de Libros, numero 188, abril/mayo 2013. (link)
- “Muy desiguales”, Claves de Razón Práctica, 221, Marzo 2012.
- “The Missallocation of Talent”. Opuscles del Crei, 22. Mayo 2009. (link)
- “La igualdad de oportunidades es eficaz”, by Félix Ovejero and José V. Rodríguez Mora, 31-10-2008. Newspaper: El País (Spain). (link)
- “Universidad Patriótica y Provinciana”, by Félix Ovejero and José V. Rodríguez Mora, 8-2-2006. Newspaper: El Mundo (Spain). (link)

### Nationalism and Possible Catalan Independence

- “Unanswered Questions in Catalonia”. euroinsight.mni-news 28-09-2015. (link) (pdf)
- “Cuatro tópicos sobre Cataluña”. El País 26-09-2015. Joint with Ramon Marimon, Javier Díaz-Giménez and Juan F. Rubio Ramirez (link)
- “De los Apellidos de los Catalanes”. Joint with Maia Güell. 21/09/2015. Post en “Nada es Gratis”. (link) (pdf)
- “Sinrazones económicas para una independencia”. El País 06-09-2015. (link)
- “Los efectos económicos de la consulta escocesa”. Expansión 20-09-2014. (link)
- “Una inconveniencia de catalizarse”, by José V. Rodríguez Mora, 11-11-2012. Newspaper: La Vanguardia (Spain). (link)
- “El precio de ser un país normal”, by José V. Rodríguez Mora, 30-10-2012. Newspaper: El Periodico (Spain). (link)
- “La desagradable lógica de la independencia: respuesta a una respuesta de Pol Antràs” by José V. Rodríguez Mora, 19/10/2012. Post en “Nada es Gratis”, el Blog de FEDEA. (link)
- “Portugal, España, Cataluña. Amics per sempre (II)” by José V. Rodríguez Mora, 12/10/2012. Post en “Nada es Gratis”, el Blog de FEDEA. (link)
- “Portugal, España, Cataluña. Amics per sempre (I)” by José V. Rodríguez Mora, 12/10/2012. Post en “Nada es Gratis”, el Blog de FEDEA. (link)

- “Las cuentas de la lechera”, by Angel de la Fuente and José V. Rodríguez Mora, 24-09-2012. Newspaper: El Pais (Spain). (link)
- “El tamaño sí importa: naciones pequeñas, naciones mezquinas”, Revista de Libros , numero 121, Enero 2007. (link)

## Labor Market

- “Apuntes inconvenientes sobre desempleo”, in *FronteraD*, March 29, 2010. (link)
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## 14 Courses Taught

- First Year Undergraduate
    - Introduction to Economics.
  - Second Year Undergraduate
    - International Trade I.
    - Economic Theory.
    - Introduction to Macro.
  - Third Year Undergraduate
    - Topics in Macroeconomics.
    - International Finance.
    - Labour Economics.
  - Fourth Year Undergraduate.
    - Political Economy.
  - Advanced Macroeconomics.
  - Macroeconomic Policy.
  - Topics in Macroeconomics.
  - Master in Economics (UK)
    - Macroeconomics.
    - International Trade.
  - Ph.D. Program
    - Macroeconomics I.
    - Macroeconomics II.
    - Topics in Macroeconomics.
    - Advanced Labor Economics.
    - Political Economy.
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## 15 Supervisor of Ph.D. thesis

- Ana Hidalgo (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona), October 2003. First Job at Universidad Carlos III de Madrid.
  - Giovanni Pica (Universitat Pompeu Fabra), January 2004. First Job at University of Southampton.
  - Hernando Zuleta (Universitat Pompeu Fabra), November 2003. First Job at ITAM (México DF).
  - Brad Speigner (University of Edinburgh), First job at Bank of England
  - Linxi Xiang (Univesity of Edinburgh).
  - Michael Watts (University of Edinburgh) First job at University of Edinburgh.
  - Nicholas Myers (University of Edinburgh) First job at University of Edinburgh.
  - Rebecca Piggott (University of Edinburgh) 2014.
  - Burak Darbaz (University of Edinburgh) 2015.
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## 16 Other Activities for the Academic Community

- Conference Organization: “Recent Developments in Research on Intergenerational Economic Mobility” (with Roland Bénabou, Maia Güell and Gary Solon), Edinburgh, June 27-29, 2008.
  - Referee for *American Economic Review*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Econometrica*, *Journal of Economic Theory*, *International Economic Review*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, *Journal of Monetary Economics*, *Moneda y Crédito*, *European Economic Review*, *Spanish Economic Review*, *Economía Aplicada*, *Scandinavian Economic Review*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Scottish Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*, *Journal of Developmental Economics*.
  - Program Committee Member: European Economic Association Annual Congress (2006), Econometric Society European Meetings (2009 and 2011).
  - Associate Editor of *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, Cambridge University Press [04/2012 – Present].
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