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## WORKSHOP ON LABOR

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DECEMBER, Wednesday 9 | EST Time

9:45 – 10:00 Welcome and opening remarks

Session 1

Chair: Christian Sanchez (ITAM)

10:00 – 10:30 **"Child care markets, parental labor supply and child development"**  
Samuel Berlinski, Maria Marta Ferreyra, Luca Flabbi and Juan David Martin.  
Discussant: Andrés Hojman (PUC).

10:30 – 11:00 **"Men, women and capital: Estimating substitution patterns using a size and gender-dependent childcare policy in Chile"**  
Jeanne Lafortune, Diego Escobar and Jose Tessada.  
Discussant: Cristian Sanchez (ITAM).

11:00 – 11:15 Break

Session 2

Chair: Fernando Saltiel (McGill)

11:15 – 11:45 **"Understandig the Effects of legalizing undocumented immigrants"**  
Javier Vázquez-Grenno, Joan Monras and Ferran Elias.  
Discussant: Cristina Riquelme (U. of Maryland).

11:45 – 12:15 **"When firing costs increase backfire: The effects of extending advance notice in Brazil"**  
Livia G. Gomez, Juliano J. Assunção and Gustavo M. Gonzaga.  
Discussant: Fernando Saltiel (McGill).

12:15 – 13:00 Lunch break

Session 3

Chair: Verónica Frisancho (IADB)

13:00 - 13:30 **"Local externalities in labor markets: congestion and information flow among peers"**  
Federico Juncosa, Dolores de la Mata and Lucila Berniell.  
Discussant: Carlos Medina (Banco de la República).

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13:30 – 14:00

**“Gender peer effects in post-secondary vocational education in Chile”**

Fernanda Ramírez-Espinoza.

Discussant: Verónica Frisancho (IADB).

14:00 – 14:30

**“Opportunities and entrepreneurship: Evidence on advanced labor market experience”**

Carlos Schmidt-Padilla, Matthew Pecenco and Hamilton Taveras.

Discussant: Camilo Acosta (EAFIT).

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Session 4

Chair: Felipe Benguria (University of Kentucky)

10:00 – 10:30

**“Job displacement and wage distribution effects on a centralized wage bargaining scheme”**

Rodrigo Ceni, Paula Carrasco, Cecilia Parada and Sofía Santin.

Discussant: Felipe Benguria (U. of Kentucky).

10:30 – 11:00

**“Unemployment insurance and human capital in general equilibrium”**

Hernán Ruffo, Facundo Piuillem and Nicholas Trachter.

Discussant: Óscar Ávila (Banco de la República).

11:00 – 11:15

Break

Session 5

Chair: Rodrigo Heresi (IADB)

11:15 – 11:45

**“Entering the major leagues: The effect of import competition from the United States on workers and firms in an emerging economy”**

Juan S. Muñoz and Leonardo Bonilla.

Discussant: Rodrigo Heresi (IADB).

11:45 – 12:15

**“Household electrification and labor supply: Experimental Evidence from El Salvador”**

Manuel Barron and Maximo Torero.

Discussant: Eduardo Nakasone (Michigan State University).

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12:15 – 13:00

Lunch break

Session 6

Chair: Giannina Vaccaro (U. de Lausanne)

13:00 – 13:30

**“Informality, labor regulation and the business cycle”**

Gustavo Leyva and Carlos Urrutia.

Discussant: Leonardo Bonilla (Banco de la República).

13:30 – 14:00

**“Unintended consequences of free college: Self-selection into the teaching profession”**

Miguel Sarzosa, Ricardo Espinoza and Rosa Castro-Zarzur

Discussant: Giannina Vaccaro (Universidad de Lausanne).

14:00 – 14:30

Wrap up