

Call for PAPERS



Institute for the **BANCO DE**
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Central Bank of Colombia

WORKSHOP ON Employment and Development in Latin America

May 14 and 15, 2010, Cartagena de Indias, Colombia

Keynote Speakers:

Joshua Angrist (Ford Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), USA) and **Alejandro Gaviria** (Dean, Economics Department, Universidad de los Andes, Colombia).

Organizers and Selection Committee:

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Paper Submission Deadline:

December 15, 2009

Notification of Acceptance:

January 30, 2010

Complete Papers Due:

March 30, 2010

About the Workshop

The aim of this workshop is to bring together researchers working on issues related to applied microeconomics and economic development in Latin America and other developing countries. We welcome contributions on issues such as: the functioning of labor markets and policies in Latin America and other developing countries, population economics, economics of education, anti-poverty programs, international and domestic migration, environmental economics, and, in general, applied micro-economics in Latin American and other developing countries.

This is the first IZA conference in Latin America organized jointly with the Centro de Estudios Económicos Regionales (CEER) of Banco de la República (Central Bank of Colombia). Previous IZA conferences have been held in the US, Europe, Morocco and China and have attracted prestigious researchers and policymakers from a wide variety of developed and developing countries (see www.iza.org for previous conference programs and participants).

Submission Information:

We invite you to submit your contribution by December 15, 2009 at the workshop website [http://www.iza.org/conference_files/LatinAmerica2010]. Decisions will be made by the end of January 2010. We welcome contributions on issues such as: the functioning of labor markets and policies, population economics, economics of education, anti-poverty programs, international and domestic migration, environmental economics, and, in general, applied micro-economics in Latin American and other developing countries. We will consider detailed abstracts, but will favor full papers—particularly empirical ones—that focus on one of the topics of research listed below. Papers dealing with developed countries are welcome if they prove to be relevant for the purpose of the workshop.

- Functioning of Labor markets and policies in Latin-American and developing countries.
- Causes and consequences of formality and informality
- Population Economics
- Economics of Education
- Poverty and Welfare Economics
- International migration and labor markets in origin and host countries
- Environmental Economics

Travel and Accommodation

Individuals selected to present papers at the workshop will be offered nights of accommodation in Cartagena (3 nights for international participants and 2 nights for local participants), Colombia and participation in the conference dinner. Economy class air travel costs for international presenters of accepted papers will be reimbursed. There are no conference fees.

Inquiries:

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