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Education

BA. Economics. University of Zaragoza, 1993.

BA. History. University of Zaragoza, 1996.

DEA (MSc equivalent). Economic History and Institutions. University of Barcelona, 1995.

PhD. Economic History. London School of Economics and Political Science, 2002.

PhD thesis: "Infrastructure and Economic Growth in Spain, 1845-1935". Supervisors:
Nicholas F. R. Crafts and Dudley E. Baines.

Research and Academic Posts

Full Professor, Department of Economic History, Institutions, Politics and World Economy,
University of Barcelona, 2019-present.

Visiting Professor, Centro de Estudios Históricos, El Colegio de México, 2019-2020.

Associate Professor, Department of Economic History and Institutions, University of Barcelona,
2009-2019.

Visiting Professor, Multidisciplinary Unit, Universidad de la República, Montevideo, Uruguay,
July 2004, July-August 2007, April-December 2010, July 2013 and July-August 2016.

Acting Associate Professor, Department of Economic History and Institutions, University of
Barcelona, 1997-1998 and 1999-2009.

Research Scholar, London School of Economics and Political Science, 1998-2002.

Assistant Professor, Department of Economic History and Institutions, University of Barcelona,
1993-1997.

Teaching

University of Barcelona (Spain):

- Undergraduate: World Economic History / Economic History of Spain / History of Economic Thought / Social and Political History / Poverty and Inequality during Globalization / Origins and development of social policies / History of the Welfare State / International Economic Organization.

- Postgraduate: Economic History: long run growth / Topics in Economic History: Market formation in History / Globalization and Inequality / Global Inequality and Public Policies / Models of growth and convergence / Introduction to Economics / History of Public Finance and the Welfare State / Labour Market, Globalization and Technological Change / Economic History of Developing Regions / Institutions, State Capacity and Economic Growth.

El Colegio de México (Mexico):

- Postgraduate: World Economic History: the historical roots of global inequality.

University of the Republic (Uruguay):

- Postgraduate: World Economic History: The Little Divergence / World Economic History: The Great Divergence / Topics in Economic History.

Publications

A) Papers in peer-reviewed journals

- (With Sandra Kuntz-Ficker), “La tasa de urbanización de México y sus estados en el siglo XIX [The urbanization rate in Mexico and the Mexican states in the 19th century]”, *Investigaciones de Historia Económica* (forthcoming).
- (With Julio César Reyna and Atenea Castillo), “A new estimate of Ecuador’s GDP, 1900-1950”, *Revista de Historia Económica-Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History* (2025), 43 (1), pp. 9-32.
- (With Guadalupe Souto, Sergio Espuelas, Gemma Abió and Ció Patxot), “The Elderly Bias of the Spanish Welfare State (1958–2012)”, *European Review of Economic History* (2025), 29 (2), pp. 186-215.
- (With Dan Bogart and Latika Chaudhary), “The Growth Contribution of Colonial Indian Railways in Comparative Perspective”, *Economic History Review*, 77 (4) (2024), pp. 1509-1534.
- (With Sandra Kuntz-Ficker), “La población de México y sus estados, 1820-1870” [The population of Mexico and its states, 1820-1870], *Mexican Studies*, 40 (1) (2024), pp. 33-69.
- (With Miquel-Àngel García-López, Filippo Tassinari and Elisabet Viladecans), “Paving the way to modern growth: the Spanish Bourbon roads”, *Explorations in Economic History*, 90 (2023), 101544.
- (With Oriol Sabaté and Sergio Espuelas), “Military wages and coups d’état in Spain (1850-1915): the use of public spending as a coup-proofing strategy”, *Revista de Historia Económica-Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History*, 40 (2) (2022), pp. 205-241.
- (With M. Pilar Nogues-Marco and Nektarios Aslanidis), “The making of a national currency. Spatial transaction costs and money market integration in Spain (1825-1874)”, *Journal of Economic History*, 79 (4), (2019), pp. 1094-1127.
- (With Johan Fourie), “‘For the public benefit’? Railways in the British Cape Colony”, *European Review of Economic History*, 22 (1) (2018), pp. 73-100.
- (With José A. Peres Cajías), “Tracing the reversal of fortune in the Americas. Bolivian GDP per capita since the mid nineteenth century”, *Cliometrica*, 10 (1) (2016), pp. 99-128.
- (With Vincent Bignon and Rui Esteves) “Big Push or Big Grab? Railways, Government Activism and Export Growth in Latin America, 1865-1913”, *Economic History Review*, 68 (4) (2015), pp. 1277-1305.

- “Transport Technology and Economic Expansion: The Growth Contribution of Railways In Latin America Before 1914”, *Revista de Historia Económica-Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History*, 32 (2014), 1, pp. 13-45.
- (With Marta Curto-Grau and Albert Solé-Ollé) “Pork-Barrel Politics in Semi-Democracies: The Spanish “Parliamentary Roads,” 1880–1914”, *Journal of Economic History*, 72 (3) (2012), pp. 771-796.
- “The Role of Railways in Export-Led Growth: The Case of Uruguay, 1870-1913”, *Economic History of Developing Regions*, 26 (2) (2011), pp. 1-32.
- “El impacto directo del ferrocarril sobre el crecimiento económico argentino durante la primera globalización” [The direct impact of railways on Argentinean economic growth during the first globalization], *Revista Uruguaya de Historia Económica*, 1 (1) (2011), pp. 34-52.
- “The Spatial Distribution of Spanish Transport Infrastructure between 1860 and 1930”, *Annals in Regional Science*, 41 (1) (2007), pp. 189-208.
- “Infrastructure Investment and Spanish Economic Growth (1850-1935)”, *Explorations in Economic History*, 44 (3) (2007), pp. 452-468.
- “Railroad impact on backward economies: Spain, 1850-1913”, *Journal of Economic History*, 66, (4) (2006), pp. 853-881.
- “The Spanish Infrastructure stock, 1845-1935”, *Research in Economic History*, 23 (2005), pp. 85-129.
- “Una aproximación a la evolución de la ciencia regional en España a través de las contribuciones a las Reuniones de Estudios Regionales (1973-2004)” [An approach to the evolution of Regional Science in Spain through the contributions to the Regional Studies Conferences], *Investigaciones Regionales*, 7 (2005), pp. 219-242.
- “¿Fracasó el sistema ferroviario en España? Reflexiones en torno a la «paradoja del ferrocarril español»” [Did the Spanish railway system fail? Some reflections around the “paradox of Spanish railways”], *Revista de Historia Industrial*, 23 (2003), pp. 39-64.
- “Infraestructuras y desarrollo económico en el Pirineo Central” [Infrastructure and economic development in the Central Pyrenees], *Ager. Revista de Estudios sobre la Despoblación y el Desarrollo Rural*, 2 (2002), pp. 197-226.
- “Una aproximación al stock de infraestructuras español (1844-1935)” [An approach to the Spanish infrastructure stock (1844-1935)], *Revista de Historia Económica*, XIX (2001), nº extr., pp. 129-152.
- (With Daniel A. Tirado) “La restricción exterior al crecimiento económico español 1870-1913” [The external constraint to Spanish economic growth 1870-1913], *Revista de Historia Económica*, XIV (1996), 1, pp. 1-49.

B) Books

- Lains, Pedro; Costa, Leonor F.; Grafe, Regina; Herranz-Loncán, Alfonso; Igual Luis, David; Pinilla, Vicente and Vilar, Herminia V. (eds.) (2024), *An Economic History of the Iberian Peninsula, 700-2000*. Cambridge, Cambridge University Press.
- Herranz Loncán, Alfonso (2008), *Infraestructuras y crecimiento económico en España (1850-1936)* [Infrastructure and Economic Growth in Spain (1850-1936)], Madrid, Fundación de los Ferrocarriles Españoles.
- Herranz Loncán, Alfonso (2004), *La dotación de infraestructuras en España, 1844-1935* [The Stock of Infrastructures in Spain, 1844-1935], Madrid, Banco de España.

C) Book chapters

- (With J. Domènech) “Industrialization and labour quality: Francoist policies and the Spanish productivity slowdown” in Beramendi, P. and Boix, C. (eds.), *Twisted Modernization*. Cambridge, Cambridge University Press (forthcoming).
- (With M. Teresa Sanchís Llopis and Daniel A. Tirado Fabregat) “Economic growth and the spatial distribution of income, 1800-2000”, in Lains, Pedro; Costa, Leonor F.; Grafe, Regina; Herranz-Loncán, Alfonso; Igual Luis, David; Pinilla, Vicente and Vilar, Hermínia V. (eds.), *An Economic History of the Iberian Peninsula, 700-2000*. Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2024, pp. 473-495.
- (With Emiliano Travieso) “Uruguay: The Rise of a Monocentric Economy”, in Valencia Caicedo, Felipe (ed.), *Roots of Underdevelopment: A New Economic (and Political) History of Latin America and the Caribbean*. London, Palgrave MacMillan, 2023, pp. 433-462.
- (With Pablo Astorga) “Latin America: Stalled Catching-Up”, in Broadberry, S. and Fukao, K. (eds.), *The Cambridge Economic History of the Modern World. Volume 2: 1870-2010*, Cambridge, Cambridge University Press, 2021, pp. 251-275.
- (With José M. Aguilar-Retureta and Marc Badia-Miró) “Regional GDPs in México, 1895-2010”, in Badia-Miró, M.; Tirado-Fabregat, D. and Willebald, H. (eds.), *Time and Space. Latin American Regional Development in Historical Perspective*, London, Palgrave, 2020, pp. 211-239.
- “Una aproximación a la integración de los mercados españoles durante el siglo XIX” [An approach to Spanish market integration during the 19th century], in Gallego, D.; Germán, L.; and Pinilla, V. (eds.), *Estudios sobre el desarrollo económico español. Dedicados al Profesor Eloy Fernández Clemente*, Zaragoza, Prensas Universitarias de Zaragoza, 2016, pp. 313-333.
- “La inversión en infraestructuras en España: una visión de muy largo plazo” [Spanish infrastructure investment: a very long-term view], in Barciela López, C.; Di Vittorio, A.; Fenizia, G.; and Ostuni, N. (eds.), *Vie e Mezzi di Comunicazione in Italia e Spagna i Età Contemporanea*, Soveria Mannelli, Rubettino, 2013, pp. 45-70.
- “La difusión internacional de los seguros sociales antes de 1945” [The international diffusion of social insurances before 1945], en Pons Pons, Jerónia y Silvestre Rodríguez, Javier, “Los orígenes del Estado del Bienestar en España, 1900-1945 : los seguros de accidentes, vejez, desempleo y enfermedad”, Zaragoza, Prensas Universitarias de Zaragoza, 2010, pp. 51-84.
- “Agua y desarrollo económico en la cuenca del Ebro, 1926-2001” [Water and economic development in the Ebro basin, 1926-2001], in Pinilla Navarro, V. (ed.), *Gestión y usos del agua en la cuenca del Ebro en el siglo XX. Una historia económica*, Zaragoza, Prensas Universitarias de Zaragoza, 2008, pp. 673-702.
- (With Daniel A. Tirado) “Equilibrio externo e integración económica en España e Italia, 1870-1913: otra cara del fracaso” [External balance and economic integration in Spain and Italy, 1870-1913: the other side of the failure], in Carreras, A.; Pascual, P.; Reher, D. and Sudrià, C. (eds.), *Doctor Jordi Nadal. La industrialización y el desarrollo económico de España*, Barcelona, Publicacions de la Universitat de Barcelona, 1999, pp. 656-672.
- (With Daniel A. Tirado and Miquel Gutiérrez) “Economic Integration, Growth Potentialities and Balance-of-Payments Constraints in some European Peripheral Economies: Spain, Sweden and Italy, 1870-1913”, in Núñez, C.E. (ed.) *Integration of commodity markets in history*, Sevilla, Secretariado de Publicaciones de la Universidad de Sevilla, 1998, pp. 147-160.
- (With Daniel A. Tirado and Miquel Gutiérrez) “Integración económica y potencialidades de crecimiento de las economías de la periferia europea durante el periodo 1870-1913: España, Suecia e Italia” [Economic integration and growth potential in the European peripheral economies during the period 1870-1913: Spain, Sweden and Italy], in Pujol, J.; Fatjó, P. and

Escandell, N. (eds.), *Cambio Institucional e Historia Económica*, Barcelona, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 1996, pp. 187-209.

“La construcción de pantanos y su impacto sobre la economía y población del Pirineo Aragonés” [Dam construction and its impact on the economy and population of the Aragonese Pyrenees], in Acín, J.L. and Pinilla, V. (coords.), *Pueblos abandonados, ¿un mundo perdido?*, Zaragoza, Rolde de Estudios Aragoneses, 1995, pp. 79-102.

D) Other publications

(With Filippo Tassinari, Miquel-A. López-García and Elisabet Viladecans), “Paving the way to modern growth. Evidence from Bourbon roads in Spain”, EHES Working Paper 209, 2021.

(With Pilar Nogués-Marco and Nektarios Aslanidis), “The making of a national currency. Spatial transaction costs and money market integration in Spain (1825-1874)”, CEPR Discussion Paper 12453, 2017.

(With Johan Fourie), “The Efficiency of Cape Colony Railways and the Origins of Racial Inequality”, *Journal of Economic History*, 76 (2017), 2, pp. 637-638 (meeting abstracts).

(With Oriol Sabaté and Sergio Espuelas), “Military spending as a coup-proofing strategy: opening the ‘black box’ for Spain (1850-1915)”, STANCE Working Paper 2017-6.

“Kuntz, S. (ed.), Minimal history of railway expansion in Latin America”, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, 49 (2017), 4, pp. 956-958 (book review).

“Cassis, Y.; De Luca, G.; and Florio, M. (eds.), Infrastructure finance in Europe. Insights into the history of water, transport, and telecommunications”, *Regional Studies*, 51 (2017), 3, pp. 504-505 (book review).

“Maurer, N., The Empire Trap. The Rise and Fall of US Intervention to Protect American Property Overseas, 1893-2013”, *Journal of Economic History*, 75 (2015), 4, pp. 1269-1271 (book review).

(With Johan Fourie), “Growth (and segregation) by rail: how the railways shaped colonial South Africa”, ERSA Working Paper 539 (2015).

“Addabbo, T.; Arrizabalaga, M.-P.; Borderías, C.; and Owens, A. (eds.), Gender Inequalities, Households and the Production of Well-being in Modern Europe”. *Historia Agraria*, 56 (2012), pp. 187-191 (book review).

(With Oriol Sabaté and Gregori Galofré-Vilà), “Una anàlisi comparativa de la despesa militar espanyola en el molt llarg termini (1850-2009)” [A comparative analysis of Spanish military spending in the very long term (1850-2009)], ICIP Working Paper N° 5 (2011).

(With Marta Curto-Grau and Albert Solé-Ollé) “The political economy of infrastructure: the Spanish “parliamentary roads”(1880-1914)”, AEHE Working Paper n° 1008 (2010).

“The Contribution of Railways to Economic Growth in Latin America Before 1914”, AEHE Working Paper n° 0903 (2009).

“La reducción de los costes de transporte en España (1800-1936)” [The reduction of transport costs in Spain (1800-1936)], *Cuadernos económicos de ICE*, 70 (2005), pp. 183-206

“Infrastructure and Economic Growth in Spain, 1845-1935”, *Journal of Economic History*, 64 (2004), 2, pp. 540-545 (dissertation summary).

“Pamuk, S. and Williamson, J.G. (eds.), The Mediterranean Response to Globalization before 1950”, *Revista de Historia Industrial*, 21 (2002), pp. 267-271 (book review).

“Germán Zubero, L., Obras públicas e ingenieros en Aragón durante el primer tercio del siglo XX”, *Revista de Historia Industrial*, 16 (1999), pp. 243-245 (book review).

- “Infraestructuras y desarrollo económico en España, 1860-1936” [Infrastructure and economic development in Spain, 1800-1936], *Investigación y Ciencia*, 262 (1998), pp. 34-36.
- “En torno al mito de las infraestructuras como motor del desarrollo económico” [Around the myth of infrastructure as engine of economic development], *Ecología Política*, 16 (1998), pp. 59-65.
- “Comín Comín, F.; Martín Aceña, P.; Muñoz Rubio, M.; Vidal Olivares, J., 150 años de historia de los ferrocarriles españoles”, *Revista de Historia Industrial*, 13 (1998), pp. 229-235 (book review).
- “Caron, F., Les deux révolutions industrielles du XXe siècle”, *Revista de Historia Industrial*, 14 (1998), pp. 269-271 (book review).
- (With Daniel A. Tirado Fabregat), “Foreign trade traps in the european periphery: Spain, 1870-1913”, UB ERE Working Papers in Economics 5 (1996).
- “Von Tunzelmann, G. N., Technology and Industrial Progress. The Foundations of Economic Growth”, *Revista de Historia Industrial*, 8 (1996), pp. 215-218 (book review).

Conference presentations

- 2025: World Economic History Congress (Lund, Sweden).
- 2024: 26th ESHET Summer School (Barcelona).
- 2023: 5th Conference of Postgraduates in Economics (UAM-I, Mexico); XXV Anniversary of the Interinstitutional Economic History Seminar (Tribute to Dr. Sandra Kuntz) (Mexico).
- 2022: Economic History Society Annual Conference; 2nd Workshop on “Twisted Modernization”; 14th Conference of the European Historical Economics Society; XIX World Economic History Congress; XIII International Conference of the Spanish Economic History Association; 7th Asian Historical Economics Conference.
- 2021: Workshop on “Twisted Modernization”; VII Latin American Economic History Conference (CLADHE 7); Symposium of the Spanish Economic Association.
- 2020: Bank of Spain, VI Seminar in Economic History.
- 2019: Book Conference “An Economic History of the Iberian Peninsula, 700-2000”, (University of Zaragoza); Iberometrics IX (University of Alcalá); State-building in Non-Democratic Societies. A Max Weber Multidisciplinary Workshop (European University Institute, Florence); VI Latin American Economic History Conference (CLADHE 6, U. de Santiago de Chile); 7 Jornadas Uruguayas de Historia Económica (U. de la República, Montevideo).
- 2018: World Economic History Conference; Jean Monnet Action International Conference “From state-building to European integration. The role of the railway network in the social and territorial integration of Europe (1850 - 2017)” (U. de Barcelona); Spanish-Mexican Meeting of Humanities and Social Sciences (Colegio de México); Book Conference “Cambridge Economic History of the Modern World” (Hitotsubashi University, Tokyo).
- 2016: Jean Monnet Action International Conference “Studying GDP regional imbalances for a better long-term analysis of European Integration” (U. of Barcelona); Workshop: “Development under Dictatorship?” (U. of Lund).
- 2015: Iberometrics VII; XVII World Economic History Congress; European Historical Economics Society Conference.
- 2014: World Business History Conference, Climate, ERSA Research Workshop on geography and African economic history, XVI International Conference of the Spanish Economic History Association, LSE workshop on New Frontiers in African Economic History.
- 2013: Economic History Society Annual Conference; LSE Conference New Economic Historians of Latin America; European Historical Economics Society Conference.
- 2012: World Economic History Conference.
- 2011: European Historical Economics Society Conference; All UC-Economic History Group Conference on Transport, Institutions and Economic Performance: Historical Perspectives; Carlos III Madrid Future Research in Economic and Social History (FRESH) Meeting;

- Portuguese Economic History Workshop; 5as. Jornadas de Historia Económica (Asociación Uruguaya de Historia Económica); Vie e mezzi di comunicazione in Italia e Spagna in età contemporanea (Seminario di Studi Comitato Italia-Spagna per la Storia Economica).
- 2010: XXVI Jornadas del Banco Central del Uruguay; XVII Encuentro de Economía Pública (Murcia, Spain).
- 2009: I Encuentro de la Asociación Española de Historia Económica; Conference “Latin American Backwardness Revisited. New Empirical Contributions in Economic History” (Barcelona, Spain); XVI Encuentro de Economía Pública (Granada, Spain).
- 2008: IX Congreso de la Asociación Española de Historia Económica; XXVIII Encontro da Associação Portuguesa de História Económica e Social.
- 2007: V Workshop in Economic Geography (Zaragoza, Spain).
- 2006: XIV International Economic History Congress; XXVI Encontro da Associação Portuguesa de História Económica e Social; IV Workshop in Economic Geography (Castelló, Spain).
- 2005: VIII Congreso de la Asociación Española de Historia Económica; III Barcelona Workshop in Economic Geography (Barcelona, Spain).
- 2003: 63rd Annual Meeting of the Economic History Association; V European Historical Economics Society Conference; III Congreso de Historia Ferroviaria (Gijón, Spain).
- 2001: Seminar “Nuevas interpretaciones en la Historia Económica de España” (Cuenca, Spain).
- 1998: XII International Economic History Congress.
- 1997: ESTER Seminar 1997. III International Economic Relations, 19th-20th Centuries; II Encuentro de Historia Económica (Valencia, Spain).
- 1996: VII Simposio de Historia Económica (Barcelona, Spain).

Invited seminars

- 2025: Public University of Navarre (Pamplona, Spain).
- 2024: Cambridge University, Chulalongkorn University (Thailand), Pompeu Fabra University (Barcelona), University of Siena.
- 2023: Chulalongkorn University (Thailand), Faculty of Economics-UNAM (Mexico), Institute of Economic Research-UNAM (Mexico).
- 2020: El Colegio de México.
- 2019: Université Lumière Lyon-2, Iberoamerican University Puebla (México)
- 2017: University of Wageningen, University of Groningen, University of Oxford.
- 2016: Universidad de la República (Montevideo, Uruguay).
- 2015: University of Zaragoza, Australian National University, University of New South Wales.
- 2014: University Carlos III (Madrid), University of Stellenbosch, University of Pretoria, University of Warwick.
- 2013: University of the Republic (Montevideo, Uruguay).
- 2012: University of Lund.
- 2011: University of Valencia.
- 2010: University of the Republic (Montevideo, Uruguay).
- 2009: Oxford University.
- 2008: University of Zaragoza.
- 2007: University of the Republic (Montevideo, Uruguay); University of Lisbon.
- 2006: Oxford University; UC-Berkeley.
- 2004: University of the Republic (Montevideo, Uruguay).
- 2003: University Pompeu Fabra (Barcelona).
- 2002: University Carlos III (Madrid); University of Zaragoza.
- 2001: London School of Economics and Political Science; University of Zaragoza; University of Valencia.
- 2000: London School of Economics and Political Science.

Conference organization

- 2025: Session 69589. “State Capacity in the Global South: Indicators, Causes and Consequences” of the World Economic History Congress (Lund). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2025: XIV International Conference of the Spanish Economic History Association (Las Palmas, Spain). Member of the Scientific Committee.
- 2023: IX Conference of Railway History (Mataró, Barcelona). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2021: Workshop on Market Integration, Financial Trajectories and State Building in Latin America since Colonial Times (Barcelona). Main organizer.
- 2019: 14th African Economic History Network meeting (Barcelona). Main organizer.
- 2019: XI RIDGE Forum, Economic History (Montevideo). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2017: IV Workshop “New Economic Historians of Latin America” (Madrid). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2016: Jean Monnet Action International Conference “Studying GDP regional imbalances for a better long-term analysis of European Integration”. Member of the organizing committee.
- 2015: III Workshop “New Economic Historians of Latin America” (Barcelona). Main organizer.
- 2015: Session S20127 “The Economic Impact of Canals and Railways: New Perspectives” of the XVII World Economic History Congress (Canberra/Kyoto). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2015: Barcelona FRESH meeting on the Economic History of Education (Barcelona). Main organizer.
- 2014: II Workshop “New Economic Historians of Latin America” (Geneva). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2013: I Workshop “New Economic Historians of Latin America” (LSE). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2013: 4th Southern Hemisphere Economic History Summer Schools (Montevideo). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2013: 1st Meeting on Latin America regional GDP Historical Estimates (Montevideo). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2011: V Iberometrics Conference (Barcelona). Main organizer.
- 2010: 1st Southern Hemisphere Economic History Summer Schools (Montevideo). Member of the organizing committee.
- 2009: 2nd ESTER-GLOBALEURONET Research Design Course (RDC), or "How to design, construct and formulate your doctoral thesis" (Barcelona). Main local organizer.
- 2007: Meeting “Economic inequality and origins of the Welfare State in Spain and Portugal” (Barcelona). Main organizer.

Funded research projects

- “Economic History and Development (Business, Industry, Sustainability)”, financed by the Catalan Government, SGR call for excellence research groups. Principal Investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2022-2024) (2021 SGR 762), 66,000 €.
- “Sustainable Welfare: Rethinking the roles of Family, Market and State (SUSTAINWELL)”, financed by the European Union (Horizon Europe). Principal investigator: Concepció Patxot-Cardoner (University of Barcelona) (2023-2027) (ref. 101095175). 703.438 €.
- “State capacity in Latin America (1870-2020): indicators, causes and consequences”, financed by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation. Principal Investigators: Alfonso Herranz

- Loncán and Sergio Espuelas Barroso (University of Barcelona) (2022-2026) (PID2021-125901NB-I00), 86,515 €.
- “Transforming Open Responsible Research and Innovation through CHARM”, financed by the European Commission (H2020). Principal investigator: Salvador Espriu Domènech (University of Barcelona) (2021-2023), 2,163,011.05 €.
- “Market Integration and state building in Latin America since colonial times”, financed by the Ibero-American Union of Universities (UIU). Principal investigator: Alfonso Herranz-Loncán (2019-2020), 10,000 €.
- “Geography, state capacity and economic change. A spatial approach to development and its determinants in peripheral economies (19th- 21st centuries)”, financed by the Spanish Ministry of Science, Innovation and Universities. Principal investigators: Alfonso Herranz-Loncán and Julio Martínez-Galarraga (University of Valencia) (2019-2021) (PGC2018-095821-B-I00), 66,550 €.
- “Economic History and Development (Business, Industry, Sustainability)”, financed by the Catalan Government, SGR call for excellence research groups, ref. 2017 SGR 1466. Principal Investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2017-2019), 66,128.00 €.
- “Sustainable welfare: Rethinking the role of the family, the market and the State”, financed by the Spanish Ministry of Economy, Industry and Competitiveness. Principal investigator: Concepció Patxot-Cardoner (University of Barcelona) (2017-2019). (EUI2017-88903). 13,000 €.
- “Global Network for the measurement and analysis of determinants and consequences of regional income inequality”, financed by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Principal investigator: Daniel A. Tirado (University of Valencia) (2017-2018) (EUI2017-86001), 24,300 €.
- “Globalization, growth and inequality (19th-21st centuries)”, Excellence Research Network financed by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Principal investigator: Daniel A. Tirado (University of Valencia) (2017-2019) (ECO2017-90848-REDT), 6,000 €.
- “Funding Latin American railways, 1860-1913. A Comparative Study in Speculation, Corruption and Market Power”, financed by the BBVA Foundation. Principal Investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2016-2018), 39,905 €.
- “Market integration and its spatial impact: Latin American regions in the very long term (1890-2010)”, financed by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Principal Investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2016-2018) (ECO2015-65049-C2-2), 9,400 €.
- “Globalization, growth and inequality (19th-21st centuries)”, Excellence Research Network financed by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Principal investigator: Daniel A. Tirado (University of Valencia) (2015-2017). (ECO2015-71534-REDT). 30,000 €.
- “AGENTA-Ageing Europe. An Application of National Transfer Accounts for Explaining and Projecting Trends in Public Finances”, 7th FP, SSHH 2013 1.3-1, Grant 613247. Principal investigators: Alexia Fürnkranz-Prskawetz (Vienna Institute of Demography) (whole project), Concepció Patxot (UB), (2013-2016). 272,231.32 € (UB).
- “Economic growth, market integration and regional inequality in Latin America (1870-2010)”, financed by the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness. Principal investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2013-2015). (ECO2012-39169-C03-03), 18,000 €.
- “Pensions and education: Combined effects on inter and intragenerational redistribution”, financed by CSIC General Foundation. Principal investigator: Concepció Patxot-Cardoner (University of Barcelona) (2012-2015). 137,146 €.
- “Economics e-Translations into and from European Languages, An Online Platform”, financed by the European Union (Lifelong Learning Programme). Principal

investigator: Marco Enrico Luigi Guidi (University of Pisa) (2011-2013) (ref. 518297-LLP-2011-IT-ERASMUS-FEXI), 399,415 €.

“A comparative analysis of the Spanish military expenditure in the very long term (1850-2009)”, financed by the Catalan Government and the International Catalan Institute for Peace (ICIP). Principal Investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2010-2011) (2009 RICIP 000005), 11,250 €.

“Factors of regional economic growth in Spain and Portugal, 1850-2008: an Economic History analysis”, financed by the Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation. Principal investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2010-2012) (ECO2009-13331-C02-02), 42,000 €.

“The historical origins of the Catalan deficit in social policies”, financed by the Catalan Government. Principal investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2008), 15,000 €.

“Technological revolutions and economic growth in Spain, 1785-1985: an industrial history approach”, financed by the Spanish State Secretary of Universities and Research. Principal investigator: Jordi Catalan (University of Barcelona) (2006-2008). (SEJ2005-02498), 25,200 €.

“The creation of comparative advantage. Spain in European industrial history, 1826-2001”, financed by the Spanish Government CICYT. Principal investigator: Jordi Catalan (University of Barcelona) (2003-2005) (BEC2002-00423), 22,400 €.

“Center and periphery in European development, 1870-1990: lessons for the Spanish economic history”, financed by the Spanish State Secretary of Education, Universities, Research and Development. Principal investigator: Jordi Catalan (University of Barcelona) (1999-2002). (PB98-1187), 7,813.16 €.

“Water management and uses in the Ebro basin, 1926-2001: seventy-five years of the Confederación Hidrográfica del Ebro”, financed by the Ebro Hydrographic Confederation (CHE). Principal investigator: Vicente Pinilla (University of Zaragoza) (1998-2001).

“Transport modernization and the formation of internal markets (1815-1935)”, financed by the Spanish State Secretary of Education, Universities, Research and Development. Principal investigator: Pere Pascual (University of Barcelona) (1998-1999) (PB97-0940), 3,606.07 €.

“Institutional reform and economic development in peripheral Europe: East, North and South”, financed by the Spanish State Secretary of Universities and Research. Principal investigator: Jordi Catalan (University of Barcelona) (1995-1998). (PB94-0853), 14,274.04 €.

“Institutional change and development in peripheral Europe: the Mediterranean, Scandinavia and the East”, financed by the Jaume Bofill Foundation. Principal Investigator: Jordi Catalan (University of Barcelona) (1995-1996). 3,600 €.

Grant and Prizes

Earl. J. Hamilton Prize of the Spanish Economic History Association to the best article in international journals of 2019.

ICREA Academia Prize, funded by the ICREA Foundation. Principal investigator: Alfonso Herranz (2019-2023), 200,000 €.

Ministry of Education Scholarship for research stays in foreign universities (El Colegio de México, October 2019-March 2020).

Ministry of Education Scholarship for research stays in foreign universities (University of Oxford, April-June 2017).

Felipe Ruiz Martín Prize of the Spanish Economic History Association to the best article in a Spanish Economic History Journal in 2014.

Jaume Vicens Vives Prize of the Spanish Economic History Association to the best book on Spanish or Latin American economic history of 2008-2009.

PhD Thesis shortlisted for the Prize of the International Economic History Association (2006).
 Extraordinary Prize to the best PhD Theses in Economics, University of Barcelona (2004).
 PhD Thesis shortlisted for the Alexander Gerschenkron Prize of the Economic History Association (2003).
 Ramon Carande Prize of the Spanish Economic History Association, for outstanding Economic History researchers under the age of 30 (1994).
 Ministry of Education Scholarship for research stays in foreign universities (Universidad de la República, Montevideo, April-December 2010).
 Generalitat de Catalunya scholarships for research stays in foreign universities (UC-Davis, September 2005-February 2006).
 ESRC Fellowship for PhD Studies, awarded by the British Ministry of Education (LSE, 1999-2001).
 Batista i Roca Fellowship for Catalan researchers in the United Kingdom, awarded by the Catalan Government (LSE, 1999-2000).
 Bank of Spain Fellowship for PhD Theses on Spanish Economic History (1999-2000).
 British Council Fellowship to carry out Post-Graduate Studies in the United Kingdom (1998-1999).

Research stays

2024-2025	Chulalongkorn University (Thailand), 1 month.
2023-2024	Chulalongkorn University (Thailand). 2 months.
2023	El Colegio de México (Mexico). 6 months.
2022-2023	Chulalongkorn University (Thailand). 2 months.
2019-2020	El Colegio de México (Mexico). 8 months.
2017	University of Oxford (UK). 3 months.
2015	Australian National University (Australia). 1 month.
2014	University of Stellenbosch (South Africa). 2 weeks.
2010	University of the Republic (Uruguay). 10 months.
2005-2006	University of California-Davis (US). 5 months.

Refereeing

Economic Journal; Journal of Economic History; Explorations in Economic History; Economic History Review; European Review of Economic History; Cliometrica; Journal of Interdisciplinary History; Economic History of Developing Regions; Historical Methods; Regional Science and Urban Economics; Annals of Regional Science; Southern Economic Journal; Scandinavian Economic History Review; Enterprise and Society; Research in Economic History; Journal of Transport History; Applied Economics; Structural Change and Economic Dynamics; Revista de Historia Económica-Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History; Applied Economics Analysis; Rivista di storia economica-Italian Review of Economic History; Economía Mexicana; Investigaciones de Historia Económica; Revista de Historia Industrial; Hacienda Pública Española; Historia Agraria; América Latina en la Historia Económica; Ayer; Ager. Revista de Estudios sobre Despoblación y Desarrollo Rural; Transportes, Servicios y Telecomunicaciones; Innovar; Revista Uruguay de Historia Económica; Oxford University Press, Publicaciones de la Universidad de los Andes.

Project reviewer for the European Science Foundation, ANR (French National Research Agency), AEI (Spanish research agency), AGAUR (Catalan research grant management agency), Uruguay CSIC, BBVA Foundation.

Editorial Tasks

Editor of *Economic History of Developing Regions* (2018-2025).

Member of editorial boards of:

Economic History Review (2011-2022)

European Review of Economic History (2020-2025)

Revista de Historia Económica-Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History (2011-...).

Economic History of Developing Regions (2013-2017).

Rivista di Storia Economica (2020-...).

Revista Uruguaya de Historia Económica (2011-...).

Transportes, Servicios y Telecomunicaciones (2016-2024)

Investigaciones de Historia Económica (2007-2011).

PhD Thesis supervision

Sergio Espuelas Barroso (University of Barcelona), “Inequality, Democracy and Welfare State: A Comparative Analysis of the Determinants of Social Spending in Spain (1850-2005)”. 4 november 2011, Excellent “cum laude”.

José Alejandro Peres Cajías (University of Barcelona), “Bolivian Public Finances, 1882-2007. Challenges and restrictions of State intervention in a small, multiethnic and revolutionary economy”. 25 October 2013. Excellent “cum laude”.

Jordi Guilera Rafecas (University of Barcelona), “Income inequality in historical perspective. Portugal (1890-2006)”. 13 January 2014. Excellent “cum laude”.

Oriol Sabaté Domingo (University of Barcelona), “Military spending, institutional stability and fiscal capacity. Spain in comparative perspective (1850-2009)”. 21 October 2015. Excellent “cum laude”.

Sara Torregrosa Hetland (University of Barcelona), “Tax System and Redistribution: the Spanish Fiscal Transition (1960-1990)”. 27 January 2016. Excellent “cum laude”.

José Aguilar Retureta (University of Barcelona), “Regional income inequality in Mexico, 1895-2010”. 5 April 2016. Excellent “cum laude”.

Paola Azar Dufrechou (Autonomous University of Barcelona), “Public education spending: efficiency, productivity and politics”. 7 July 2017. Excellent “cum laude”.

Jeffrey M. Pagel (University of Barcelona), “Essays in Development and Environmental Economics”, 4 October 2021. Excellent “cum laude”.

Carolina Román Ramos (University of Barcelona), “Consumption and standards of living in the South American Southern Cone (1870s-1950s)”. 6 July 2022. Excellent.

Pablo Fernández Cebrián (University of Barcelona), “State capacity, Catholic missions and education in colonial Mozambique”. 21 December 2022. Excellent.

Gastón M. Díaz Steinberg (University of the Republic, Uruguay), “Essays on the Gold Standard: The Case of Uruguay”. 20 March 2023. Excellent.

Jordi Caum Julio (University of Barcelona), “Land revenue, inequality and development in colonial India (1880-1910)”. 27 April 2023. Excellent “cum laude”.

Julio César Reyna Pérez (University of Barcelona), “Foreign trade and economic growth in Ecuador, 1890-1950”. 12 July 2023. Excellent.

Mentoring and supervision of Postdoctoral fellows

Francesc Amat Maltas, Ramón y Cajal Grant, University of Barcelona (2022-2026).

Giacomo Benati, María Zambrano Grant, University of Barcelona (2022-2024).

Niccolò Bertuzzi, María Zambrano Grant, University of Barcelona (2022-2024).

Diego Andreucci, María Zambrano Grant, University of Barcelona (2022-2024).

Oriol Sabaté Domingo, Beatriu de Pinós Grant, University of Barcelona (2021- 2024).

Ana Moragues Faus, Ramón y Cajal Grant, University of Barcelona (2019-2024).

José A. Peres Cajías, Beatriu de Pinós Grant, University of Barcelona (2018-2020).

PhD Thesis Committees

Javier Silvestre Rodríguez, University of Zaragoza, 2003.

Edgar Demetrio Tovar García, University of Barcelona, 2008.

Marc Badia Miró, University of Barcelona, 2008.

María Magdalena Camou, University of the Republic, Montevideo, 2010.

Juan Manuel Puerta, Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, 2011.

Henry Willebald, Carlos III University, Madrid, 2011.

Laia Mojica Gasol, University of Lleida, Lleida, 2012.

Mateu Morillas Torné, University of Lleida, Lleida, 2014.

Marc Goñi Tráfach, Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, 2015.

Ricardo Portugal, Autonomous University of Barcelona, 2016.

Rocío Morales Álvarez, Autonomous University of Barcelona, 2017.

Laura Maravall Buckwalter, Carlos III University, Madrid, 2017.

Guillermo Esteban Oliver, University of Lleida, Lleida, 2021.

Georgios Tsiachtsiras, University of Barcelona, 2021.

Marie Beigelman, University of Barcelona, 2024.

Guillem Amatller Dómine, Pompeu Fabra University, Barcelona, 2024.

Adrián Cabezas Sánchez, University of Barcelona, 2025.

Languages

Spanish (mother language), English, Catalan (advanced), French (intermediate), Italian and Portuguese (reading and listening comprehension).

Service

Director of the Research Centre in Institutions, Politics and Economics (IPERC) of the University of Barcelona (2024-...).

Treasurer and Board Member, Spanish Economic History Association (2022-2024).

Coordinator of the Master in Institutions and Political Economy of the University of Barcelona (2021-2022).

Director of the Department of Economic History, Institutions, Politics and World Economy, University of Barcelona (2017-2019).

Director of the Research Centre “Antoni de Capmany” in Economics and Economic History of the University of Barcelona (2016-2022).

Trustee of the European Historical Economics Society (2017-2025).

Appointed member of the International Economic History Association Executive Committee (2025-...).

Vice-Dean for Research and PhD Programs of the Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Barcelona, 2013-2015.

Vice-Dean for Masters of the Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Barcelona, 2012-2013

Academic Secretary of the Department of Economic History and Institutions, University of Barcelona, 2004-2005.

Coordinator of the UB Economic History Master Program (2009-2010).

Coordinator of the UB Economic History PhD Program (2007-2012 and 2016-2017).