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CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2010 to date Full Professor. Department of Economics, Universitat Rovira i Virgili.
2007-2010 Associate Professor. Department of Economics, Universitat Rovira i Virgili
2005-2007 Lecturer (tenure-track). Department of Economics, Universitat Rovira i Virgili
2003-2005 Post-doctoral research fellow. Department of Economics, National University of Ireland, Maynooth.
2003 Assistant Professor. Department of Economics, Aarhus School of Business, Aarhus, Denmark.
2001-2002 Research Director. Real Estate and Global Business Inc. Barcelona.
2002-2003 Lecturer. Department of Management and Economics. Universitat Pompeu Fabra.
2000-2001 Assistant Professor. Department of Economics, Universitat Rovira i Virgili
1996-1999 Assistant. Department of Econometrics and Statistics. Universitat de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain.
1992 Statistician. Department of Economics Statistics. Statistics Bureau of Catalonia, Regional Government of Catalonia, Barcelona, Spain.

EDUCATION

2001. PhD in Economics. Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Tarragona, Spain.
Thesis title: "Human Capital, Progressive Taxation and Risk-Aversion: a Theoretical and Empirical Analysis for the Spanish Case".
1997. MSc "Quantitative Analysis". Universitat de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain.
1995. BA in Market Research. Universitat de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain.
Best graduate 1993-1995.
1993. BA in Statistics. Universitat de Barcelona, Barcelona, Spain.
Second-best graduate 1990-1993.

PUBLICATIONS (Articles JCR)

- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** and W. Nisson (2022): "The Reliability of Students' Earnings Expectations", *Labour Economics* 76, 102182.

- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** and G. Kallis (2022): "Political Leaders with Professional Background in Business and Climate Outcomes", *Climatic Change* 172, 14.
- Clark A. and **L. Diaz-Serrano** (2022): "Do Individuals Adapt to All Types of Housing Transitions?", *Review of Economics of the Household*, forthcoming.
- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** and F.G. Sackey (2022): "Is microfinance really helping the most vulnerable? An empirical test of the effectiveness of the Ghana's Microfinance Policy Reform", *Applied Economics*, forthcoming.
- Albiol-Sánchez, J., **L. Diaz-Serrano** and M. Teruel (2021): "The Transition to Self-Employment and Perceived Skill-Mismatches: Panel Data Evidence from Eleven EU Countries", *Social Indicators Research* 153, 957-977.
- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** and W. Nisson (2020): "The Regional Anatomy of Youths' Educational Attainment in Spain: The Role of the Employment Structure in Local Labour Markets", *Papers in Regional Science* 99(5),1487-1508.
- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** (2020): "The Duration of Compulsory Education and the Transition to Secondary Education: Panel Data Evidence from Low-Income Countries", *International Journal of Educational Development*, 102189.
- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** (2019): "Inflation of Home Appraisal Values and the Access to Mortgage Loans of Credit Constrained Borrowers", *International Review of Economics & Finance* 63, 412-422.
- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** and Meix-Llop E. (2019): "Decentralization and the Quality of Public Services: Cross-Country Evidence from Educational Data", *Environment & Planning C: Politics and Space* 37(7), 1296-1316.
- Andonova, V., J. Schmutzler, **L. Diaz-Serrano** (2019): "How context shapes entrepreneurial self-efficacy as a driver of entrepreneurial intentions: a multi-level approach", *Entrepreneurship: Theory & Practice* 43 (5), 880-920.
- **Diaz-Serrano L.** and F. G. Sackey (2018) "Microfinance and credit rationing: does the microfinance type matter?", *Journal of Sustainable Finance & Investment*, 8:2, 114-131.
- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** and Meix, E. (2016): "Do Schools Discriminate against Homosexual Parents? Evidence from a Randomized Correspondence Experiment", *Economics of Education Review* 53, 133-142.
- Hartog, J. and **Diaz-Serrano, L.** (2014): "Why Do We Ignore the Risk in Schooling Decisions?", *De Economist* 163, 125-153.
- **Diaz-Serrano, L.** and J.M. Raya (2014): "Do immigrants face discrimination in the Spanish mortgage market? An analysis of the interest rates", *Regional Science & Urban Economics* 45, 22-42.

- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** and A. Rodríguez-Pose (2014): "Decentralization and the Welfare State: What Do Individuals Perceive?", *Social Indicators Research* 120, 411-435.
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** (2013): "Immigrants, Natives and Job Quality: Evidence from Spain", *International Journal of Manpower* 34(7), 753-775.
- Budria, S.; **L. Díaz-Serrano**; A. Ferrer-i-Carbonell and J. Hartog (2013): "Risk-Aversion and Income Growth: Replicating Shaw (1996)", *Empirical Economics* 44, 981-1004.
- Solé M.; **L. Díaz-Serrano** and M. Rodríguez (2013): "Disparities in Work, Risk, and Health between Immigrants and Native-Born", *Social Science & Medicine* 76, 179-187.
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** and A. Rodríguez-Pose (2012): "Decentralization, Subjective Well-Being and the Perception of institutions", *Kyklos* 65(2), 179-193.
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** and A.P. Stoyanova (2010): "Mobility and Housing Satisfaction: an Empirical Analysis for Twelve EU Countries", *Journal of Economic Geography* 10(5), 661-683.
- Stoyanova, A.P. and **L. Díaz-Serrano** (2009): "El Impacto Diferencial del Capital Social sobre la Salud Mental de la Población Autóctona y los Inmigrantes residentes en Cataluña", *Gaceta Sanitaria* 23, 93-99. (Title in English: "The Differential Impact of Social Capital on the Mental Health of the Native and Immigrant Population in Catalonia")
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** (2009): "Disentangling the Housing Satisfaction Puzzle: Does Homeownership Really Matter?", *Journal of Economic Psychology* 30(5), 745-755.
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.**; J. Hartog and H.S. Nielsen 2008: "Compensating Wage Differentials for Schooling Risk in Denmark", *Scandinavian Journal of Economics* 110, 711-731.
- Andonova, V. and **L. Díaz-Serrano** (2008): "Political Institutions and the Development of Telecommunications", *Journal of Development Economics* 89, 77-83.
- Hartog, J. and **Díaz-Serrano, L.** (2007): "Earnings Risk and Demand for Higher Education: A Cross-Section Test for Spain", *Journal of Applied Economics* 10, 1-28.
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** and J. Hartog (2006): "Is there a risk-return trade-off in educational choices? Evidence for Spain" (joint with J. Hartog), *Investigaciones Economicas* 30, 353-380.
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** (2005): "Income Volatility and Residential Mortgage Delinquency across the EU", *Journal of Housing Economics* 14, 153-177.
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** (2005): "On the Negative Relationship between Labor Income Uncertainty and Homeownership: Risk Aversion vs. Credit Constraints", *Journal of Housing Economics* 14, 109-126.
- **Díaz-Serrano, L.** (2005): "Labor Income Uncertainty, Skewness and Homeownership: A Panel Data Study for Germany and Spain", *Journal of Urban Economics* 58, 156-176.

- Hartog, J.; **L. Diaz-Serrano**, E. Plug, and J. Vieira (2003): “Risk Compensation in Wages: a Replication Study”, *Empirical Economics* 28, 639-647.

PUBLICATIONS (Books and book chapters)

- Hartog, J. and **L. Diaz-Serrano** (2013): *Schooling as a Risky investment: a Survey of theory and evidence*, Foundations and Trends in Microeconomics, NOW publishers, Boston.
- Stoyanova, A.P. and **L. Diaz-Serrano** (2011): “Social Capital and Mental Health: Exploring the Impact of Individual and Community Social Capital on Mental Health Status in Spain”, in Sabine Bährer-Kholer (Ed.), *Social Determinants and Mental Health*, Chapter 6, Nova Science Publishers
- Stoyanova, A.P. and **L. Diaz-Serrano** (2008): “Salud y Capital Social”, in Rodriguez, M. and Urbanos R. (Eds.), *Desigualdades Sociales en Salud: Factores Determinantes y Elementos para la Acción*, Chapter 5, Elsevier, Barcelona. (Title in English: “Health and Social Capital”)

COMPETITIVE RESEARCH PROJECTS (Only main researcher)

- 2019 – 2021 Impatience, obesity and school outcomes in the adolescence
 Funding : Spanish Ministry of Science and Innovation
 Reference: RTI2018-094733-B-I00
 Amount: 38,357€
 Role: Main Researcher
- 2015 - 2017 Title : Effort, information and expectations as determinants of school success : an empirical analysis in the context of secondary education
 Funding : Recercaixa - Obra Social “La Caixa”
 Reference: 2014ACUP0130
 Amount: 61,051€
 Role: Main Researcher
- 2015 - 2017 Title : Unobserved heterogeneity, college major choices and academic performance: A new approach based on students' subjective information, beliefs and expectations
 Funding : Spanish Ministry of Finance and Competitiveness
 Reference: ECO2014-59055-R
 Amount: 14,520€
 Role: Main Researcher
- 2011 - 2014 Title : Determinants and Consequences of the School Dropouts : an Experimental and Empirical analysis in the context of the compulsory and higher Education in Spain
 Funding : Spanish Ministry of Finance and Competitiveness
 Reference: ECO2010-20829
 Amount: 42,500€

Role: Main Researcher

- 2010-2011 Title : Determinants and Economic Returns of the Catalan Language for the Immigrant Population in Catalonia.
Funding : Department of Social Welfare, Regional Government of Catalonia.
Reference: 2009 ARF1 00029
Amount: 15,000€
Role: Main Researcher
- 2009-2010 Title : Health, Social Capital and the Working Conditions of the Immigrant Population in Catalonia
Funding : Department of Social Welfare, Regional Government of Catalonia.
Reference: 2008 ARAF1 00005
Amount: 15,000€
Role: Main Researcher
- 2007 - 2010 Title : Immigration, Housing and the Labor Market : an Empirical Analysis for the Spanish Case
Funding : Spanish Ministry of Finance and Competitiveness
Reference: SEJ2007-66318
Amount: 31,000€
Role: Main Researcher

CONTRACTS

- 2019-2020 Title: Performance Monitoring of Designated Operational Entities
Employer: Framework Convention on Climate Change (United Nations)
- 2007 to date Title: The Housing Market of Tecnocasa.
Employer: Tecnocasa
- 2014 Title: What Makes Cities More Productive?
Employer: OECD
- 2000 – 2007 Title: The Real Estate Market in Barcelona.
Employer: Forcadell Real Estate Consultants

RESEARCH STAYS AT ACADEMIC INSTITUTIONS

- 2015 Centre: University of Amsterdam, Department of Economics, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
Duration: 8 weeks
- 2013 Centre: University of Amsterdam, Department of Economics, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
Duration: 24 weeks
- 2010 Centre: Paris School of Economics, Paris, France.
Duration: 12 weeks

- 2009 Centre: Spatial Economics Research Centre, London School of Economics, London, UK.
Duration: 12 weeks
- 2003-2005 National University of Ireland Maynooth, Department of Economics, Maynooth, Ireland.
Duration : 104 weeks
- 2003 University of Aarhus (former Aarhus School of Business), Department of Economics, Aarhus, Denmark.
Duration : 12 weeks
- 1999-2000 Tinbergen Institut, University of Amsterdam, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
Duration : 36 weeks

PARTICIPATION IN SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES

- Scientific committee of the congress “Encuentros de Economía Aplicada”. Las Palmas de Gran Canaria (2014), Alicante (2015), Sevilla (2016), Valencia (2017)
- Scientific committee for the evaluation of the projects at the “Plan Nacional de I+D+I”. Ministry of Science and Innovation of Spain. 2011 and 2012.
- Scientific committee of the congress “Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía”. Madrid (2010) and Málaga (2011).
- Evaluation of research projects (I+D+i) in the field of economics for the Ministry of Finance and Competitiveness. Madrid (2011 and 2012)

PhD SUPERVISION

In progress

- Three Empirical Essays on Economics of Education: The Role of Institutions (Ph.D. Student: Olushola Arowoshola, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)
- Water Consumption Policies in the Context of a Climate Change: The Case of Medellín (Ph.D. Student: Diana Catalina Gutierrez Chaverra, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)
- The Gender Gap in School Choices (Ph.D. Student: Cristina Valentina Heghes, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)

Completed

- November 2016. Microfinance and Institutions: The case of Ghana (Ph.D. student: Frank Gyimah Sackey, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)
- July 2015. Three Essays in Entrepreneurship (Ph.D. student: Judit Albiol Sanchez, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)

- October 2015. Political Institutions and School Outcomes: an International Perspective (Ph.D. student: Enric Meix Llop, Universitat Rovira i Virgili)
- November 2013. Essays in Human Capital (Ph.D. student: Jessica Helen Pérez Reynosa, Universitat Rovira I Virgili)
- May 2014. Working lives and Health: An Empirical Analysis for Spain (Ph.D. student: Meritxell Solé Juvé, Universitat de Barcelona)