

**Aide Memoire**  
**Latin American Regional Standing Committee**  
**Econometric Society**  
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## **1. STRUCTURE OF THE ECONOMETRIC SOCIETY**

Before getting into the Society in the region, some context to understand where the Latin American chapter operates. The Econometric Society (ES) has:

- Officers (2025)  
President: [Larry Samuelson](#)  
First Vice President: [Nobuhiro Kiyotaki](#)  
Second Vice President: [Jean-Marc Robin](#)  
Past President: [Eliana La Ferrara](#)  
Executive Vice President: [Barton Lipman](#)
- A Council of 30 members that includes the five officers, the editors of the three journals (Econometrica, Quantitative Economics, Theoretical Economics), and 22 members from the regions elected by the fellows. In 2025 (and since 2022), the only council member representing the Latin America region is Aureo de Paula
- An Executive Committee that includes the five officers, the three editors, and four additional members of the council (elected for a four-year term)
- Fellows
- Members

The day-to-day government of the society is done by the Executive Committee, and for some important things, the council has to approve measures (for example, to change the Rules and Procedures of the Society the Executive Committee and a simple majority of the Council must agree). For more important things, the Fellows must also vote (for changes in the by-laws, the Executive Committee, the Council, and 2/3 of the voting Fellows must agree); the Fellows are the highest authority of the society. Members of the society only vote in the elections of the Regional Standing Committees (RSC).

The Officers of the Society are the President, two Vice-Presidents, a Past President, and an Executive Vice-President. They have a given set of functions that are described in the Rules and Procedures of the Society:

<https://www.econometricsociety.org/society/organization-and-governance/rules-and-procedures>

## **2. FELLOWS AND COUNCIL MEMBERS FROM LATIN AMERICA**

New fellows are elected by vote (among existing fellows) and they become fellows for life. The procedure to include names on the ballot is the following:

1. ES members can directly nominate candidates
2. The ES has a Fellows Nominations Committee (FNC) that adds more names to the ballot, with emphasis on diversity considerations and better representation of under-represented ES regions. The FNC consults with the regions, and the regions need to help identify potential candidates. The FNC usually shortens the list given by the region.

The chair of the region may write to the Latin American fellows to encourage them to submit names and to coordinate the process. Names may fall into two categories. Category 1: Evidently distinguished publication record (at least three publications in top journals). Category 2: Distinguished body of work and contributions despite not belonging to Category 1. A brief summary of the researcher's contribution is required in both cases. The chair, secretary and RSC may also add names to the list.

A fellow belongs to the region where he/she has the primary academic affiliation. A fellow can also be a fellow under a region of secondary affiliation as long as we believe that the fellow will play an active role in the activities of the Society in the region.

### *Fellows from Latin America*

Aloisio Araujo (1987)  
Marilda Sotomayor (2003)  
Paulo Monteiro (2009)  
Ignacio Lobato (2010)  
Pablo Andres Neumeyer (2010)  
Mariano Tommasi (2011)  
Eduardo Engel (2012)  
Marcelo Moreira (2012)  
Juan Dubra (2017)  
Sergio Firpo (2017)  
Juan-Pablo Montero (2019)  
Ernesto Schargrodsky (2020)  
Rodrigo Soares (2020)

Marcela Eslava (2021)  
Eduardo Faingold (2022)  
Irene Brambilla (2022)  
Emanuel Ornelas(2023)  
Gil Riella(2023)  
Jeanna Lafortune (2024)  
Francisco Gallego (2024)

*Fellows from Latin America that moved to other regions (now secondary affiliation in Latin America)*

Juan Pablo Nicolini (2009)  
Cesar Martinelli (2009)  
Claudio Ferraz (2019)

*Fellows with Secondary Affiliation in Latin America*

Federico Echenique  
Igal Hendel  
Chang-Tai Hsieh  
Aureo de Paula  
Raquel Fernandez  
Marina Halac  
Ricardo Lagos  
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Rafael Repullo  
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*Council members from Latin America:*

Since 2018 Council members from Latin America have been the following:

Eduardo Engel (2016-2019)

Ignacio Lobato (2018-2021)

Aureo de Paula (2022- )

### **3. MAIN BUSINESS OF THE SOCIETY IN LATIN AMERICA**

The Society, at the world level, has many activities, among which the most important are the publication of three journals, and the organization of the World Congress on years which are multiples of 5. In all other years, each region organizes its regional meetings.

The Society has one main business in Latin America and a smaller activity: the main business is organizing the regional meetings, and the smaller activity is organizing a yearly workshop that typically alternates between theory and econometrics. Each activity will be described shortly.

### **4. REGIONAL STANDING COMMITTEE (RSC)**

#### **4.1. Members**

##### *Chair*

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University of College London

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##### *Secretary*

Bruno Ferman, 2025-2027

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##### *Regional News Corner manager*

Sofia Bauducco, 2025-2027

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#### [Appendix A: List of RSC members going back to 2014](#)

The Rules and Procedures of the Society define the functions and composition of the RSCs (6.1):

*“Regional Standing Committees are responsible for the organization of the regional activities of the Society. They are chaired by the first member of the following list that resides in the region: the President, the First Vice-President, the Second Vice-President, and the Past President. If none of them resides in the region, the President shall appoint a Council member in the region to serve as Chair. If the region is not represented on the Council, the President will appoint a Chair.”*

*“Regional Standing Committees have at least five voting members, including the Council members from the region. At least two voting members are elected for a non-renewable four-year term in a ballot of the members of the region. Program Chairs, Local Arrangements Chairs, and regional officers such as Secretary and/or Treasurer are nonvoting members of the Regional Standing Committee, unless they are already elected members of the Council or the Standing Committee.”*

*“Regional Standing Committees meet at the site of the corresponding regional meeting and also at World Congresses. The Secretary of the Standing Committee will send to the Executive Vice President an annual report on the activities of the Society in his/her region, which will be distributed to the Executive Committee.”*

*“Apart from regional meetings, Regional Standing Committees may consider any activities in the region that would further interaction among those interested in the objectives of the Society. The Secretary of the Standing Committee will be responsible for preparing an Aide Memoire with general guidelines for the organization of the activities of the Society in the region.”*

*“When there are one or more vacancies of elected members of a Regional Standing Committee, the Committee acting as a nominating committee will choose, after consultation with the Executive Vice-President, a list of candidates equal to twice the number of vacancies. Candidates for these slots could be Fellows or members from the region, or Fellows from other region with a secondary affiliation to the region.”*

Chair: The current Chair of the RSC is Aureo de Paula, from University College London. He started his term on January 1, 2022 and ends in December 31, 2025. Previous Chairs have been Marilda Sotomayor, from University of São Paulo, Eduardo Engel from Universidad de Chile and Ignacio Lobato from ITAM. In case there are no Officers from Latin America in the ES, the President appoints a Council member as Chair of the RSC.

Secretary: The post of Secretary lasts for 3 years, starting in January 1<sup>st</sup>, and can be renewed twice. The current Secretary (Bruno Ferman) started his term in January 2025 and the term ends in December 2027. Previous Secretaries were Juan Dubra, from Universidad de Montevideo (until 2015), João Victor Issler, from Getulio Vargas Foundation in Rio de Janeiro (2016-2017), Irene Brambilla, from Universidad Nacional de La Plata (2018-2021) and Jeanne LaFortune, from Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile (2022-2024).

Treasurer: The RSC does not have a treasurer.

Officers: They are the Chair, Secretary, Past Chair of the RSC, Current and Past Conference Chairs and LAMES Program Chairs. The rationale for having past Conference Chairs in the RSC is to have their experience and feedback regarding the organization of the meetings. Past Conference Chairs should be encouraged to participate in RSC meetings, especially if future organizers are also attending. In some regions past Conference Chairs remain in the RSC for three years.

Elected Members: The RSC has 8 elected members. We renew two members every year.

Voting members: voting members are the Chair, any other council members from Latin America, and elected members.

## **4.2 Electing members of the Standing Committee**

Since 2014, two voting members are elected for a non-renewable four-year term in a ballot of the members of the region. Since the organization of the RSC was different before 2014, the Committee underwent changes in its composition and size from 2014 to 2017 to converge to a steady state. In the steady state, the region elects two members per year.

The procedure for electing members for the RSC is the following:

- 1) Sometime in November, members of the Society residing in the region nominate people to be elected on a dedicated page on the Society's Web page. Individual members of the RSC can also nominate members. To guarantee diversity and a minimum number of quality candidates, it is advisable that RSC members nominate at least 4 candidates (since a minimum of 4 candidates is needed for the ballot) and that they check whether these candidates are indeed willing to participate in the ballot and to serve in the RSC.
- 2) A nominating committee is appointed. Usually they are the members of the RSC. From the list of names nominated in point 1 (by members of the ES and by members of the RSC), the committee chooses, after consultation with the Executive Vice-President, a list of candidates equal to twice the number of vacancies (4 names to fill in 2 vacancies).
- 3) In early December the Society posts the names of the nominees and members vote directly on the Society's page.

When choosing which candidates to nominate on the ballot, the candidate's academic background has been the basic reason behind nominations. The Committee also looks to keep a balance in terms of geographic residence and gender. A candidate's willingness to get involved in, and contribute to, the Society's activities is also important.

## **4.3 Duties of the Standing Committee**

- (a) Make decisions regarding future annual meetings and workshops (location, date, number of days, whether they are held jointly with other societies, program and local arrangement chairs, Simonsen speakers)
- (b) Make suggestions for fellows and RSC candidates
- (c) Make decisions regarding functions to be delegated to other organizations and scheduling of meetings of members to be held during the regional meeting.

## **4.4 Duties of the President/Chairperson**

- (a) At each Latin American Meeting, he/she will call a meeting of the Standing Committee and he/she may call a general meeting of the participants. He/she will decide the Agenda for these meetings in consultation with the Secretary, and will chair them.
- (b) Will be empowered to make decisions on behalf of the Committee between meetings, preferably after consulting the Secretary of the Standing Committee, and, if they are directly involved, the Program Chairpersons, the Local Arrangements Chairperson, or the Symposia-Workshop Chairperson.

- (c) Will inform the Secretary and, where appropriate, the Program and Local Arrangements Chairpersons of decisions of the Committee, and those taken by him/her on its behalf.
- (d) Will inform a newly elected Latin American Chairperson of the plans and commitments of the Latin American Committee and at the end of his/her mandate transfer relevant documents to the next Latin American Chairperson.

#### **4.5 Duties of the Secretary**

- (a) Send to the Executive Vice President an annual report on the activities of the Society in his/her region, which will be distributed to the Executive Committee. This report usually includes information about the annual meetings (location, budget, financing, number of papers submitted and accepted, etc.) and about other activities of the society locally. An important input for the report, and to pass along to future meeting organizers, is a memo from the organizers of the meeting with that information.
- (b) Prepare in conjunction with the members and the Chair of the Committee both the agenda for the meeting (during the annual meeting of the Society in the region), and the corresponding “post facto” minutes of the meeting.
- (c) Prepare an Aide Memoire with general guidelines for the organization of the activities of the Society in the region.
- (d) Communicate with the Central Office regarding transfers of funds to local organizers of meetings and workshops.
- (e) Consult with the RSC regarding use of funds from the Grant for Young Economists and the Latin American fund.

### **5. ANNUAL MEETINGS**

#### **5.1 Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society (LAMES)**

The main business of the RSC is organizing the Annual meeting (LAMES, the Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society) which have been held since 1980. The links below present a video for the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the LAMES meeting and a document on the first LAMES meeting:

<https://www.lacealames2024.org/videos/lacealames2024.mp4>

<https://www.jstor.org/stable/1911943>

The LAMES is held in years that are not multiples of five. In years that are multiples of five there is the World Congress.

From the Rules and Procedures of the Society (6.2)

*“The Regional Standing Committee is responsible for establishing procedures for the organization of meetings in the region, choosing the dates and locations, the number of days the meeting should last, whether the meeting is to be held jointly with other Societies, as well as appointing the Program and Local Arrangements Chairs. These decisions should customarily be taken at least one year and preferably two years in advance, so that those responsible for future meetings have sufficient time to make the necessary arrangements.”*

*“Proposals to host a meeting should specify the physical facilities available for sessions, accommodation and meal arrangements, and social events, as well as an estimated budget that includes total costs and revenues (from registration fees and from other sources). Regional meetings are expected to be self-financing.”*

*“The Program Chair(s) appoint the Program Committee and arrange the program as they see fit, subject to the constraints on the number of days and sessions. The sole criterion for acceptance of a paper shall be its scientific merit.”*

*“The corresponding author of any paper submitted to any of the regional meetings must be a member at the time the paper is submitted. The membership requirement must be prominently displayed in the Call for Papers for each meeting.”*

*“If there is a meeting of Fellows and/or members, it will be chaired by the President or the person that he/she designates.”*

*“Any award by another Society to be presented at a regional meeting must be approved by the Program Chair(s) and communicated to the Chair of the Standing Committee.”*

*“The Standing Committee is responsible for sending meeting announcements one year in advance to the General Manager of the Society to be transmitted to the membership by email. The Local Arrangements Chair collaborates with the Program Chair(s) to arrange meeting websites, which should be linked to the [“Future Meetings”](#) section of the Society's website.”*

## **5.2 Joint Organization with LACEA**

Our meeting is jointly organized with LACEA (Latin America and the Caribbean Economic Association). This is similar to what happens in North America (Allied Social Sciences) and in Europe (ESEM jointly with the European Economic Association, EEA).

It is important that the members of the RSC are in regular contact with representatives from LACEA to discuss proposals and plans for the annual meeting so that decisions are made jointly.

The interaction with LACEA is now based on an April 2022 agreement, which is presented in the annex to this Aide Memoire. Financial arrangements and responsibilities are delineated in the protocol. The RSC contributes three keynote speakers (the presidential address, the BBVA Foundation lecture, and the Marschak/un-named lecture in the years it corresponds) and the Simonsen lectures. The protocol should be reevaluated in case the arrangement above is deemed to affect institutions willingness to take on the organization of the joint meetings.

In 2022, the registration fee could be paid either to LACEA or LAMES, irrespective of the portion

of the program one was presented in. It is suggested that this be corrected in future instances, but this was not done in 2023.

## [Appendix B. LACEA-LAMES joint conference protocol](#)

### **5.3 Conference chairs**

Annual conferences need: (i) a Conference Chair; (ii) a LAMES Program Chair; (iii) a LACEA Program Chair. The Conference Chair is in charge of local arrangements and finances. The Program Chairs are in charge of evaluating papers and inviting speakers. Many decisions are made jointly, such as the list of invited and keynote speakers and the schedule and program.

Local arrangements in charge of the Conference Chair include arranging the physical facilities, accommodation, meals, and social events. The Conference Chair also collaborates with the Program Chairs to arrange the meeting website, which should contain registration and Program information. The local website should be linked to the “Future Meetings” section of the Society's website.

The Conference Chair shall send copies of a report on the Conference, not later than two months after its end, to the Secretary of the Society and copies to the Chairperson and Secretary of the Latin American Standing Committee. The report should include:

- (a) Numbers attending people attending the conference (keynote speakers, invited speakers, contributed speakers, and attendees), number of papers submitted and accepted.
- (b) Budget of the conference including: total conference income, registration fees, other sources of income, expenses by major categories, surplus. Comments on the flows of funds experienced.
- (c) Any forms which were used
- (d) Accommodation, transportations or other logistic problems encountered
- (e) Help required in organizing.
- (f) Any lessons likely to prove useful to his successor.

Whenever possible and desirable, Chairs can be from the organizing institution. As an example, in Buenos Aires 2009, Andy Neumeyer was the conference Chairman, with Emilio Espino as Program Chair for LAMES, and Sebastián Galiani as Program Chair for LACEA.

It is nonetheless also possible and it has often been the case in the recent past that the Chairs are from other institutions (as is the case in other regions, e.g., Europe). For example in Puebla 2019, organized by BUAP, Ignacio Lobato (ITAM) was Program Chair for LAMES and Angel Calderón (Colegio de Mexico) was Program Chair for LACEA.

Though there has typically been one Program Chair for LAMES, it is also possible that there be two Program Chairs. Regarding Program Co-Chairs, having two Program Chairs is a sensible way

to produce a good program for the meeting, since it splits the responsibility by large areas of knowledge, e.g., a Theory Chair and an Econometrics Chair. This mirrors what is successfully done in other meetings of the Society (e.g., Europe). It is also a possibility when the organizing institution doesn't have strong academic credentials.

There is also a "Local Arrangements Chairperson" (or committee) in charge of detailed local logistics. In every meeting it is important that the person in charge of local arrangements (whether it is the sole Conference Chairman or a Local Arrangements Co-Chair) be from the organizing institution, with experience in academic events, and willing to take full responsibility both for arrangements and for communicating with the Society. Having a Local Arrangements Chairperson from outside of the organizing institution has not worked well in the past.

#### **5.4 Choosing Organizing Institution**

The aim is to confirm the site of the meetings 2 years in advance. (It has nonetheless been the case that meetings site have at times been confirmed in the preceding year.) There is a big advantage of things not getting delayed past one year. In this case, the people organizing the meeting the following year can attend the meeting of the RSC where information about the organization is exchanged. Also, they can interact in person with the local organizers. The potential hosts are closely registered and monitored by the LA RSC and LACEA and calls for proposals in coordination between the ES and LACEA are sometimes issued to sample interest.

Choosing the Organizer of a LACEA-LAMES meeting involves the two distinct Associations. The choice of a conference site and organizer involves a few important steps. First, both Associations should begin a joint search for an organizer. From the LAMES point of view, the past experience was the following. We have a four-year cycle, since in every year multiple of 5 the ES organizes the World Congress. For each four-year cycle, it might be desirable to have the largest countries to organize one meeting each (Argentina, Brazil, Chile and Mexico). If it can be secured that each of these countries organize one meeting each in a rotating manner, the cycle is fulfilled, with each *country* organizing a meeting every five years. This is a reasonable gap, since each country has two or more institutions that could easily be organizers.

It has nonetheless often happened that LACEA-LAMES cannot secure one of these countries in the four-year cycle. In such cases, we were able to fulfill the open slot with hosting institutions in countries such as Colombia, Peru, Costa Rica, Uruguay, or Ecuador.

Once one has a candidate for which both Associations agree upon, the next step is to approve the candidate within the RSC. This is done by majority voting where each member of the RSC has one vote, but the Chairperson of the RSC has a quality vote, able to break any ties in the voting result.

Since 2006 LAMES has been held at:

2024. Universidad de la Republica, Montevideo, Uruguay. Conference chair: Veronica Amarante and Leandro Zipitría. LAMES program chair: Cristine Pinto

2023. Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogota, Colombia. Conference chair: Angela Fonseca, LAMES program chair Andres Carvajal.

2022. Universidad del Pacifico, Lima, Peru. Conference chair Pablo Lavado, LAMES program chair Cesar Martinelli.

2021. Universidad del Rosario (online), Bogota, Colombia. Conference chair Juan Vargas, LAMES program chair Rocio Titiunik.

2019 BUAP, Puebla, Mexico. Conference chair Angel Calderón, LAMES program chair Ignacio Lobato.

2018 ESPOL, Guayaquil, Ecuador. Conference co-chairs Augusto de la Torre, Leonardo Sánchez Aragón, LAMES Program co-chairs David Jacho-Chavez, Nicolás Figueroa.

2017 Universidad de San Andrés (UdeSA), Buenos Aires, Argentina. Conference chairman Federico Weinschelbaum, LAMES Program co-chairs Mariano Tomassi, Marcelo Moreira.

2016 Universidad EAFIT, Medellín, Colombia. Conference chairman Juan Felipe Mejía, LAMES Program co-chairs Myrna Wooders, Sergio Firpo, Gustavo Canavire-Bacarezza.

2014 Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil. Conference chairman Denisard Alves, LAMES Program co-chairs Humberto Moreira, Rafael Costa Lima.

2013 El Colegio de Mexico, Mexico. Conference chairman José Romero, LAMES Program co-chairs Angel Calderón Madrid and Ignacio Lobato

2012 Universidad del Pacífico, Lima, Perú.

2011 Universidad Adolfo Ibañez, Santiago, Chile.

2009 UTDT, Buenos Aires, Argentina

2008 FGV and IMPA, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

2007 Universidad de Los Andes and Fedesarrollo, Bogotá, Colombia

2006 ITAM, Mexico

## 5.5 Named Lectures

There are four lectures in the meeting where the RSC and/or the Society are involved: the Presidential Address, the Marschak lecture (or other named lecture), the BBVA lecture and the Simonsen Lecture.

ES Presidents attend a certain number of regional meetings and they have traditionally chosen Latin America as one of the regions to hold their Presidential Address. LAMES has one exclusive plenary session (in which no other sessions run in parallel). This slot is typically used for the Presidential Address.

The Marschak Lecture is a rotating lecture among all regions except Europe and North America. It is a prestigious lecture. The Marschak lecture is scheduled to be held in Latin America in 2024 and 2029. In years in which the Marschak lecture is not in Latin America, the Society pays for the expenses of another named lecture (there have been Carlos Díaz-Alejandro, or Sidrauski, or Rolf Mantel, or Hurwicz lecture; there are no constraints on the name.)

The lecturer is appointed by the Program Chair with agreement of the EVP. It is necessary to ensure that the Program Chair consults with the EVP before approaching lecturers in order to avoid overlaps across regions.

*“Each year other than World Congress years, the Society's Marschak Fund supports a Jacob Marschak lecture, the location of which rotates among the regional meetings held outside North America and Europe. The travel and accommodation expenses of the lecturer are paid by the Marschak Fund, and are consistent with the terms offered to the President. The Executive Committee decides the location of the lectures and may authorize support from the Society's general fund as may be required to maintain intact the principal of the Marschak Fund.”*

*“In 2006, the Executive Committee agreed to support with up to \$4,000 a lecture at regional meetings outside Europe and North America with no Marschak lecture. The Regional Standing Committee may choose to name the lecture (e.g., the Hurwicz lecture).”*

In 2022, the Econometric Society secured a grant from BBVA for another keynote lecture. The selection process for this lecture is that it be selected by a committee made up of the president of the RSC, the LAMES program chair(s) and the editors of either Theoretical Economics or Quantitative Economics in alternate years. The speakers for this series have been Orazio Attanasio (2022), Jose Scheinkman (2023) and Petra Todd (2024).

The Mario Henrique Simonsen Lecture is a session including two young economists from the region (say 5-10 years out of the market, but that has been flexible) who are doing well in terms of publication and impact. A partial list of scholars who presented the Simonsen lecture is given below:

2024 Leandro Gorno  
2023 Horacio Larreguy

Emilio Depetris-Chauvin  
Lucas Maestri

2022 Paula Jaramillo	Breno Sampaio
2021 Cristine Pinto	Mounu Prem
2019 Claudia Martinez	Bruno Ferman
2018 Jeanne Lafortune	Marcelo Medeiros
2017 Emanuel Ornelas	Enrique Seira
2016 Carlos Viana de Carvalho	Irene Brambilla
2014 Ana Inés Balsa	Marcelo Moreira
2013 Francisco Gallego	Bernardo de Vasconcelos Guimarães
2012 Marcela Eslava	Claudio Ferraz
2011 Raquel Bernal	Juan Pablo Montero
2009 Juan Dubra	Sergio Firpo
2008 Naercio Menezes-Filho	Rodrigo Soares
2007 Ignacio Lobato	Ricardo Cavalcanti
2006 Juan Pablo Nicolini	Carlos Urrutia
2004 César Martinelli	Ernesto Schargrodsky
2003 João Victor Issler	Andrés Rodríguez-Clare
2002 Marcelo Cortes Neri	
2001 Mariano Tommasi	Alberto Trejos
1999 Eduardo Engel	Hugo Hopenhayn

Choosing the scholars to present the Simonsen Lecture entails two steps. First, the chairs and co-chairs of the conference in question propose names to the RSC, whose job is then to select the most appropriate ones to give the Lecture. The process is interactive and can go back and forth with suggestions until a final decision is reached. In any event, the RSC must approve the final list of scholars to give the Simonsen Lecture. In 2022, the RSC elaborated a list of “young” PhDs in the region. This list should be updated every year to include new faculty members and also to update their records of productivity.

## 5.6 Lectures organized by the ES

There is also a series of lectures organized directly by the ES central office. Each year other than World Congress years, the Society organizes three series of lectures: the Griliches Lectures in Applied Economics, the Hotelling Lectures in Economic Theory, and the Sargan Lectures in Econometrics. The lectures present an overview of a topic in which the lecturers have done significant research. They are typically above PhD level, but not necessarily at the research frontier. Attendance is open to all members of the Society. The lecturers are encouraged to submit their lectures to the Econometric Society Monograph Series.

The lecturers are proposed by a Lecture Series Committee appointed by the President. The Committee is chaired by a former President and includes two additional members of the Society. Their three-year appointments are staggered to provide some continuity. In addition, the two editors of the Monograph Series are ex-officio members but they do not have voting rights. In the spring of year  $t$ , the Lecture Series Committee will propose the lecturers for the year  $t+2$ . The location of the lectures rotates among the regional meetings. The travel and

accommodation expenses of the lecturers are paid by the local organizers. The Central office does not provide any funds for these lectures.

### **5.7 Calendar of Lectures in Latin America**

2024 Marschak (funded)

2026 Sargan

2028 Griliches

2029 Marschak (funded)

### **5.8 Budget**

For the 2024 meeting, the financial support was:

- Young Scholar Grants: \$5,000
- Marschak lecture: up to \$4,000 (lecturer travel expenses submitted to Exec Dir)
- Named lecture series: up to \$4,000 (lecturer travel expenses submitted to Exec Dir)
- BBVA Foundation Lecture: up to \$4,000 (lecturer travel expenses submitted to Exec Dir)
- Presidential address: Paid directly by Central Office
- Vanguard account funding of regional meetings: As needed per RSC/consultation with Central Office

The Vanguard account can be used for the RSC's secretary to attend LAMES meetings and the World Meeting, with a maximum of US\$1500. Secretaries book their own travel and submit receipts and a form to the ES central office.

There is no regional meeting in 2025 since it is a World Congress Year.

### **5.9 Meeting of the RSC**

The RSC meets once a year during the annual meeting. The meeting is usually scheduled on Friday at noon and lasts for an hour and a half. Usually LACEA sets the same date and time. This is not a problem unless the two committees (RSC and LACEA's) share members. It is convenient to check with the local organizer to set the time so that it is consistent with lunch slots. The meeting of the RSC is a convenient moment to meet with organizers of next year's conference.

## **6. WORKSHOPS**

The Econometric Society has recently updated its procedures for schools and workshops. A central fund of \$20,000 is now available to support summer schools and workshops across all regions. Applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis through the ES Schools and Workshops Committee. A typical funding request is between \$2,500 and \$5,000 and the funds may be used to support any aspect of the school or workshop. Proposals should

be submitted to Committee Chair Andy McLennan at [a.mclennan2@uq.edu.au](mailto:a.mclennan2@uq.edu.au) for review. The RSC can post a call for proposals at the Regional News Corner and the Society's Executive Director can also send out a blast email to the region's or full Society's membership.

The first two workshops were organized in Rio (PUC) and Santiago (Católica) around theory topics. After that, the workshops alternated between econometrics and theory.

A partial list of workshops is the following:

2025	Econometrics	Universidad de Los Andes (Bogotá) <sup>1</sup>
2023	Econometrics	No workshop organized
2022	Theory	Universidad de Chile
2019	Theory	Universidad del Rosario
2018	Econometrics	Universidad del Pacífico, Lima
2016	Econometrics	UDELAR, Montevideo
2015	Theory	UASLP, San Luis Potosí, México
2013	Econometrics	FGV, São Paulo
2010	Theory	PUC-Rio, Rio de Janeiro

In 2022, the LA RSC co-sponsored a conference at INSPER (Sao Paulo, Brazil) on "Informality and Wage Setting Policies in Latin America" and further information can be found at: <https://www.cemmap.ac.uk/event/informality-and-wage-setting-policies-in-latin-america/>.

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<sup>1</sup> Masterclass with Robert Miller (CMU).

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## **APPENDIX A**

Going back to 2014, we list below the members of the RSC:

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Ignacio Lobato, ITAM, Past Chair of RSC  
Andres Carvajal, University of California, Davis, Chair of LAMES Meeting 2023

### **2024 VOTING MEMBERS**

Sergio Firpo, INSPER, elected  
Laura Alfaro, Harvard University, elected  
Cristine Pinto, INSPER, elected  
Paula Jaramillo, Universidad Los Andes, elected  
Federico Echenique, University of California Berkeley, elected  
Irene Brambilla, Universidad Nacional de la Plata, elected  
Sofia Bauducco, Central Bank of Chile, Elected  
Ernesto Schargrodsky, UTDT/CAF – Development Bank of Latin America, Elected

### **2023 OFFICERS**

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Jeanne Lafortune, Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile, Secretary  
Ignacio Lobato, ITAM, Past Chair of RSC  
Cesar Martinelli, George Mason University, Chair of LAMES Meeting 2022

### **2023 VOTING MEMBERS**

Matias Cattaneo, Princeton University, elected  
Cecilia Machado, Getulio Vargas Foundation, elected  
Sergio Firpo, INSPER, elected  
Laura Alfaro, Harvard University, elected  
Cristine Pinto, INSPER, elected  
Paula Jaramillo, Universidad Los Andes, elected  
Federico Echenique, University of California Berkeley, elected  
Irene Brambilla, Universidad Nacional de la Plata, elected

### **2022 OFFICERS**

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Ignacio Lobato, ITAM, Past Chair of RSC  
Juan Vargas, Universidad del Rosario, Chair of LACEA-LAMES Meeting 2021

## **2022 VOTING MEMBERS**

Tomas Rau, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, elected  
Aloisio Araujo, EPGE/FGV & Instituto Nacional de Matematica Pura e Aplicada, elected  
Matias Cattaneo, Princeton University, elected  
Cecilia Machado, Getulio Vargas Foundation, elected  
Sergio Firpo, INSPER, elected  
Laura Alfaro, Harvard University, elected  
Cristine Pinto, INSPER, elected  
Paula Jaramillo, Universidad Los Andes, elected

## **2021 OFFICERS**

Ignacio Lobato, ITAM, Chair  
Irene Brambilla, Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Secretary  
Eduardo Engel, Universidad de Chile, Past Chair of RSC  
Angel Calderon, El Colegio de Mexico, Chair of LACEA-LAMES Meeting 2019

## **2021 VOTING MEMBERS**

Marcela Eslava, Universidad de los Andes, elected  
Jeanne Lafortune, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, elected  
Tomas Rau, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, elected  
Aloisio Araujo, EPGE/FGV & Instituto Nacional de Matematica Pura e Aplicada, elected  
Matias Cattaneo, Princeton University, elected  
Cecilia Machado, Getulio Vargas Foundation, elected  
Sergio Firpo, INSPER, elected  
Laura Alfaro, Harvard University, elected

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## **2020 VOTING MEMBERS**

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Marcela Eslava, Universidad de los Andes, elected  
Jeanne Lafortune, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, elected  
Tomas Rau, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, elected  
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Matias Cattaneo, Princeton University, elected  
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David Jacho-Chavez, Emory University, Past Chair of LAMES Program Committee (2019)

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## APPENDIX B

### LACEA-LAMES Joint Conference Protocol

#### ***Revised LACEA-LAMES Joint Conference Protocol***

April 2022

The Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) was founded in July 1992 to encourage greater professional interaction and foster increased dialogue among researchers and practitioners whose work focuses on the economies of Latin America and the Caribbean. Since 1996 LACEA has held annual meetings, both in Latin America and Europe. Since 2006, these meetings have been jointly organized with the Latin American Chapter of the Econometric Society (LAMES).<sup>2</sup> The joint LACEA-LAMES conference is regarded as one of the most prestigious gatherings of academic economists in Latin America.

The cooperation between the two associations has been very fruitful and is expected to continue and strengthen in the coming years. The purpose of this protocol is to clarify the terms of collaboration between the two associations.

#### ***Choice of Venue and Local Organizing Institution***

The venue and the local Organizing Institution of the joint meetings must be approved by the Executive Committee for LACEA, the Latin American Regional Standing Committee for the Econometric Society (LA RSC) and/or highest administrative official of both associations upon consideration of the proposal or proposals presented by either association. The selection of the local Organizing Institution will be based on its ability to fulfill its responsibilities, to organize the conference (see below), and to raise the funds needed to execute the conference. LACEA and the LA RSC will coordinate on any calls for joint locations. The joint meetings will last three full days and will take place between September and November. The exact dates will be proposed by the local Organizing Institution and will be subject to approval by both associations.

#### ***Joint Meeting Authorities and Responsibilities***

The main authority of the joint meeting will be the Organizing Committee, which will consist of three members: the Hosting Chair, the Program Chair for LACEA, and the Program Chair for LAMES. The Hosting Chair will be proposed by the organizing institution and will be jointly appointed by the two associations. The Program Chairs will be appointed by each association, in consultation with the Hosting Chair. The members of the organizing committee will be co-chairs of the conference. The three co-chairs will aim at arriving at all decisions in a collaborative fashion. However, in the event that a disagreement between the Program Chairs cannot be solved, the Hosting Chair will have the power to determine the course of action.

The responsibilities of the Program Chairs include, among others, appointing the Program Committee members who will select the papers to be presented in the contributed sessions, selecting and inviting speakers for invited sessions and plenaries, and preparing the conference agenda. These activities should be carried out in coordination with the Hosting Chair.

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<sup>2</sup> Except every five years, when LAMES takes part in the global meetings of the Econometric Society.

The Program Committee should have enough members to evaluate all submissions to contributed sessions and have the expertise to evaluate papers in various sub-fields of economics. A single Program Committee will evaluate the papers submitted to both associations.

Some invited lectures are selected and funded directly by LACEA or LAMES and thus are not under the responsibility of the Programme Chairs. These include, for LAMES, the Presidential Address, the Marschak-like lecture and BBVA Foundation. Travel and accommodation expenses for presenters in invited sessions organized by funding institutions to LACEA or LAMES (see below) are expected to be covered by those institutions.

### ***Finance***

The Organizing Institution will raise the funds needed to cover the conference expenses, with the help of both organizations, LACEA and LAMES. Correspondingly, the Organizing Institution will retain any profit or cover any losses.

Although that is the default arrangement, the flexibility exists to allow for the eventuality that, contingent on their financial situation, one or both associations may choose to make a direct contribution to the meeting in a specific year. In that case, those associations and the Organizing Institution may reach an ad-hoc agreement in advance of the meeting for those funds to be reimbursed, totally or partially, in case the meeting produces a surplus.

### ***Allocation of Time Slots***

The Hosting Chair will decide and announce the number of total sessions available in the joint conference. There are three session categories:

*Contributed sessions:* will include the papers selected by the Program Committee and will run in parallel with as many other contributed sessions as needed by the conference program. There will be a single track of contributed sessions, containing the papers selected by the Program Committee. However, papers must be submitted to either association separately and the corresponding author must be a member of that association. It is the conference organizers' responsibility to verify and enforce this requirement.

*Invited panels:* will include sessions on selected topics, organized by funding institutions to either LACEA or LAMES or by the respective Program Chair(s) in coordination with the Hosting Chair. Invited panels will run in parallel with as many other invited panels as determined by the conference program. The Organizing Committee will seek to maintain a balance between panels organized by funding institutions and those invited by the program chairs and Hosting Chair.

*Nonexclusive plenaries:* will include one or more simultaneous keynote speakers chosen by each association and divided evenly between LACEA and LAMES. There will be no contributed sessions or invited panels during the time slots allocated to nonexclusive plenaries.

*Exclusive plenaries:* will include a keynote speaker with no other activity running in parallel. Exclusive plenaries should be limited in number, and include each association's Presidential Address.

**Main Responsibilities of the Organizing Institution**

- Raising funds to fully cover joint Conference expenses and giving adequate recognition and visibility to the sponsors
- Collecting Conference registration fees
- Deciding the common deadline for paper submissions and any change to the agreed dates, including potential extensions of the deadline, upon consultation with the Program Chairs
- Organizing the program of joint events and activities
- Coordinating and consolidating in a single program the separate activities of LACEA and LAMES and the joint activities.
- Providing logistical support (including room and lunch/dinner) for the (separate) official annual meeting of LACEA's Executive Committee and LA RSC.
- Undertaking an online survey after the conference to obtain feedback from participants.
- Reporting the results of the Conference to LACEA and LAMES no later than 30 days after the conference. The report will detail funds raised and the number of papers submitted to and included in the program.

**Note**

It has been customary to invite the Hosting Chair to run for election to the Executive Committee of either or both associations. This serves as a form of recognition for the unremunerated effort and allows the associations to take advantage of his/her fresh experience and ensure a smooth transfer of knowledge to the next organizing institution and Conference co-Chairs. This is not a requirement, merely a suggestion.