



**XX Meetings of the LACEA/ IADB/ WB/ UNDP
Research Network on Inequality and Poverty (NIP)**

**May 6th, 2013
The World Bank
I Building, room I2-250
1850 I st. NW
Washington, DC 20433, USA**

08:00-08:30 Breakfast

08:30-08:45 **Welcome**
Louise Cord (World Bank)
Guillermo Cruces (CEDLAS-UNLP)

08:45-10:15 **Session I: Recent developments in Brazil, minimum wages and wage differentials**
Chair: Hugo Ñopo (IADB)

The Role of the Minimum Wage in the Decline of Inequality in Brazil
Carolina Gonzalez, IADB
Discussant: Paola Salardi

Wage Disparities and Occupational Intensity by Gender and Race in Brazil: An Empirical Analysis using Quantile Decomposition Techniques
Paola Salardi, University of Sussex
Discussant: Hugo Ñopo

10:15-10:30 Coffee break

10:30-12:00 **Session II: Inequality and Fiscal Policy**
Chair: Isidro Soloaga (Universidad Iberoamericana)

Measuring Impoverishment: An Overlooked Dimension of Fiscal Incidence
Sean Higgins, Tulane University
Discussant: Darryl McLeod (Fordham University of New York)



**Inequality and the Top of the Income Distribution in Chile 1990-2012:
Questioning the Consensus**

Jorge Friedman, Universidad de Santiago

Discussant: Carlos Rodriguez (World Bank)

12:30-14:00

Lunch

Keynote Speaker *Kaushik Basu, World Bank*

Chair: Hasan Tuluy (World Bank)

14:00-15:30

Panel on Inequality and Poverty in Latin America and the Caribbean

Chair: Rodrigo Chaves (World Bank)

Discussants: Nora Lustig (Tulane University)

Francisco Ferreira (World Bank)

Guillermo Cruces (CEDLAS-UNLP)

Louise Cord (World Bank)

15:30-15:45

Coffee break

15:45-17:15

Session III: Top incomes and trade factors in Chile

Chair: Luis Felipe Lopez-Calva (World Bank)

Falling Skill-Premia in Latin America: Good Policy or Good Luck?

Darryl McLeod, Fordham University of New York

Discussant: Sean Higgins (Tulane University)

The cost of acting girly

Marta Favara, World Bank

Discussant: Facundo Cuevas (World Bank)

17:30-18:30

Closing Cocktail



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Training Workshop on "Synthetic Panels" and "Equality of Opportunities"

May 7th, 2013

- 09:00-10:45 **Session I: Synthetic Panels**
This session will cover the theoretical underpinnings of the Dang, Lanjouw, Luoto and McKenzie (2011) method to convert two or more rounds of cross-sectional data into a synthetic panel and an illustration for selected Latin American countries. This session will be delivered by Peter Lanjouw (London School of Economics, World Bank) and Leonardo Lucchetti (Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, World Bank).
- 10:45-11:15 Closing Cocktail
- 11:15-13:00 **Session II: Equality of Opportunities**
This session will cover two particular extensions of the Human Opportunity Index (HOI). The first combines data on public spending with the HOI to compute the so called "opportunities Benefit Incidence Analysis" and the second will be on the progress that has been made and the limitation of using this for analysis of inequality in labor market outcomes. This session will be delivered by Maria Ana Lugo (University of Oxford, World Bank) and Sailesh Tiwari (Brown University, World Bank).