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The NIP meetings cover all topics related to poverty and inequality in Latin America and the Caribbean. This edition of the conference will cover the broad subject of “*Inequality, Poverty and Decentralization*” in the region. On that regard and as part of the meetings we are programming workshops on ***Empirical Approaches the Measurement of Poverty*** and ***Applied Impact Evaluation***. The workshops are free of charge and open to the public. Those interested in participating must fill-in the form in <http://nip-lacea.org/taller>. Places will be allocated on a first-come basis. Inquiries concerning this Workshop should be sent to [coordination@nip-lacea.org](mailto:coordination@nip-lacea.org) and [whl@aru.org.bo](mailto:whl@aru.org.bo).

One of the courses will be delivered by Werner Hernani-Limarino and the other by Matías Busso. Hernani-Limarino is co-founder and researcher for the Monitoring and Evaluation Group and Political Economy Group. Before ARU he worked at the Development Research Group at the World Bank, the Research Department at the Inter-American Development Bank in Washington DC; the Institute for Applied Economic Research (IPEA) in Rio de Janeiro Brazil; and the Economic and Social Policy Analysis Unit (UDAPE) in La Paz-Bolivia.

He has also done consultancy for several international aid agencies and governments in Latin America and the Caribbean and Central and South Asia; and taught at several national and international universities. He has doctoral Studies at the University of Pennsylvania with expertise in the fields of Game Theory, Political Economics, Applied Econometrics and Causal Inference.

Matías Busso is a Senior Economist at the Research Department at the Inter-American Development Bank. He works on development economics using impact evaluation methods, including large randomized control trials, to establish causal effects of different interventions and to understand the underlying behavioral mechanisms behind those effects. Matias earned his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Michigan in 2008. He also holds a Master and a Bachelor of Arts in economics from Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina. He is a Research Fellow at the Center for Distributive, Labor and Social Studies (CEDLAS).