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PERSONAL INFORMATION

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economics of inequality and poverty. Equality of Opportunity. Redistributive policies. Labour economics and income/earnings dynamics. Applied Econometrics.

EDUCATION

- *Ph.D. in ECONOMICS, University of Essex (ISER), 1997*
"Topics in Income Distribution and Earnings Dynamics"
Supervisor: Prof. Stephen Jenkins; Examiners: Prof. Frank Cowell and Prof. John Ermisch.
- M.Sc. in Economics, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 1995.
- M.Sc. in Economics and Social Policy Analysis, University of York, 1994
- B.Sc. in Economics, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 1992

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Full Professor, , Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, March 2017 – present.
- Associate Professor, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, September 2000 – February 2017
- Assistant Professor, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, September 1997 – August 2000
- Research Associate, Institute for Social and Economic Research, University of Essex, September 1995 – September 1997.

PUBLICATIONS (in English)

Fleurbaey, M., V. Peragine and X. Ramos (2017), "Ex post inequality of opportunity comparisons", *Social Choice and Welfare*, 49: 577-603. DOI: 10.1007/s00355-017-1090-4.

Ayllón, S. and X.Ramos (2017), "Youth earnings and labour market volatility in Europe", *International Labour Review*, forthcoming. DOI: 10.1111/ilr.12069.

Jadotte, E. and X. Ramos (2016), "The effect of Remittances on Labour Supply in the Republic of Haiti", *Journal of Development Studies*, 52(12): 1810-1825.

Ramos, X. and D. Van de gaer (2016), "Approaches to Inequality of Opportunity: Principles, Measures, and Evidence", *Journal of Economic Surveys*, 30(5): 855-883. doi: 10.1111/joes.12121

Cervini, M., X. Ramos, and J.I: Silva (2014), "Wage Effects of Non-wage Labour Costs", *European Economic Review*, 72: 113-137. doi: 10.1016/j.eurocorev.2014.09.005

Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A. and X. Ramos (2014), "Inequality and Happiness", *Journal of Economic Surveys*, 28(5): 1016-1027. doi: 10.1111/joes.12049.

Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., X. Ramos and M. Oviedo (2013), "Spain: What Can We Learn From Past Decreasing Inequalities", in *Changing Inequalities and Societal Impacts in Rich*

- Countries*, (eds.) B. Nolan, W. Salverda, D. Checchi, I. Marx, A. McKnight, I. Geörgy Tóth, H.G. van de Werfhorst. Oxford University Press.
- Ramos, X. and O. Roca Sagalés (2012), "Long Term Effects of Fiscal Policy on the Size and the Distribution of the Pie in the UK: 1970-2007", in *UK Economy: The Crisis in Perspective*, G. Giudice, R. Kuenzel, T. Springbett (eds.), Routledge. Updated version of the *Fiscal Studies* paper by same authors.
- Cervini, M. and X. Ramos (2012), "Long Term Earnings Inequality, Earnings Instability and Temporary Employment in Spain: 1993-2008", *British Journal of Industrial Relations*, 50(4): 714-736. doi: 10.1111/j.1467-8543.2011.00871.x
- Amiel, Y., F. Cowell and X. Ramos (2010), "Poles apart? An analysis of the meaning of polarization", *Review of Income and Wealth*, 56(1): 23-46.
- Blanco, C. and X. Ramos (2010), "Polarization and Health", *Review of Income and Wealth*, 56(1): 171-185.
- Poggi, A. And X. Ramos (2010), "Empirical modeling of deprivation contagion among social exclusion dimensions", *The Measurement of Individual Well-Being and Group Inequalities: Essays in Memory of Z.M. Berrebi*, in J. Silber (ed.), Routledge.
- Ramos, X. and O. Roca Sagalés (2008), "Long Term Effects of Fiscal Policy on the Size and the Distribution of the Pie in the UK", *Fiscal Studies*, 29(3): 387-411.
- Ramos, X. (2008), "Using efficiency analysis to measure individual well-being with an illustration for Catalonia," in *Quantitative Approaches to Multidimensional Poverty Measurement*, N. Kakwani and J. Silber (eds.), Palgrave Macmillan.
- Ramos, X. and J. Silber (2005), "On the Application of Efficiency Analysis to the Study of the Dimensions of Human Development", *Review of Income and Wealth*, 51(2): 285-310.
- Ramos, X. (2005), "Domestic Work Time and Gender Differentials in Great Britain, 1992-1998: How Do 'New' Men Look Like?", *International Journal of Manpower*, 26(3): 265-95.
- Ramos, X. (2005), "Introduction: Work Changes (and) Gender", *International Journal of Manpower*, 26(3): 212-16.
- Ramos, X. (2003), "The Covariance Structure of Earnings in Great Britain: 1991-1999", *Economica*, 70: 353-74.
- Ramos, X. and P. Lambert (2003), "Horizontal Equity and Differences in Tax Treatment: A Reconciliation", *Research on Economic Inequality*, 10: 45-64.
- Deutsch, J., X. Ramos and J. Silber (2003), "Poverty and Inequality of Standard of Living and Quality of Life in Great Britain" in *Advances in Quality-of-Life Theory and Research*, M. J. Sirgy, D. Rahtz, and A.C. Samli (eds.): 99-128.
- Rodríguez, M., C. Borrell, R. Urbanos, M.I. Pasarín, A. Rico, M. Fraile, X. Ramos and V. Navarro (2003), "Power Relations and Premature Mortality in Spain's Autonomous Communities", *International Journal of Health Services*, 33(4): 687-722.
- Lambert, P. and X. Ramos (2002), "Welfare Comparisons: Sequential Procedures for Heterogeneous Populations", *Economica*, 69: 549-62.
- Lambert, P. and X. Ramos (1997), "Horizontal Inequity and Vertical Redistribution", *International Tax and Public Finance*, 4: 25-37.
- Lambert, P. and X. Ramos (1997), "Horizontal Inequity and Reranking: A Review and

Simulation Study”, *Research on Economic Inequality*, 7: 1-18, JAI Press, Connecticut.

PUBLICATIONS (in Spanish)

- Ramos, X. (2016), “Mesura de la Pobreza i la Desigualtat”, *Nota d’Economia*, 103: 64-80.
http://economia.gencat.cat/web/.content/70_economia_catalana/arxius/publicacions_periodiques/nota_d_economia/ne_103/NE_103_c3.pdf
- Cervini, M. and X. Ramos (2013), “Movilidad Intergeneracional y Emparejamiento Selectivo en España”, *Papeles de Economía Española*, 135: 217-27.
- Ayllón, S., M. Mercader and X. Ramos (2007), “Caracterización de la Privación y de la Pobreza en Cataluña”, *Revista de Economía Aplicada*, 44: 137-75.
- Rico, A., X. Ramos and C. Borrell (2005), “Distribución de la Renta y Salud. El Papel Mediador de las Políticas Públicas y el Capital Social” in *Políticas Públicas y Distribución de la Renta*, BBVA, Madrid.
- Rico, A., X. Ramos and C. Borrell (2002), “Distribución de la Renta, Pobreza y Esperanza de Vida en España” in *Invertir para la Salud. Prioridades en Salud Pública*, J.M Cabasés, J.R. Villalbí and C. Aibar (eds.): 67-73, SESPAS, Valencia.
- Oliver, J., X. Ramos and J.L. Raymond (2001), “La Mejora en la Distribución de la Renta en España, 1985-1996: Un Análisis de Robustez”, in *Desigualdad, Redistribución y Bienestar: Una Aproximación a Partir de la Microsimulación de Reformas Fiscales*, J.M. Labeaga and M. Mercader (eds.), Instituto de Estudios Fiscales, Madrid.
- Oliver, J., X. Ramos and J.L. Raymond (2001), “Anatomía de la Distribución de la Renta en España, 1985-1996: La Continuidad de la Mejora”, *Papeles de Economía Española*, 88: 67-88.
- Oliver, J., X. Ramos and J.L. Raymond (2001), “Capital Humano y Desigualdad en España, 1985-1996”, *Papeles de Economía Española*, 88: 240-256.
- Oliver, J., X. Ramos and J.L. Raymond (2002), “La Desigualdad en la Distribución de la Renta en la UE a Mediados de los Noventa: Evidencia del Panel de Hogares Europeo”, *Papeles de Economía Española*, 91: 129-150.

WORKING PAPERS

- Mahler, D. and X. Ramos (2017), “Equality of opportunity for well-being”, IZA Discussion Paper No. 10940, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn. (Entry at the IZA Newsroom <http://newsroom.iza.org/en/2017/09/22/equality-of-opportunity-for-what/>)
- Van de gaer, D. and X. Ramos (2015), “Measurement of inequality of opportunity based on counterfactuals”, IZA Discussion Paper No. 9582, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn.
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A. and X. Ramos (2010), “Inequality aversion and risk attitudes”, IZA Discussion Paper No. 4703, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn.
- Ramos, X. and C. Schluter (2006), “Subjective Income Expectations and Income Risk”, Discussion Paper No. 1950, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn.
- Oliver, J., X. Ramos and J.L. Raymond (1999), “Not All University Degrees Yield the Same Return: Private and Social Returns to Higher Education for Males in Spain”, *Document de*

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- VII Meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality*, New York City, July 2017.
XREAP Conference on Inequality in Economics, Universitat de Barcelona, November 2016.
VI Meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality, Luxembourg, July 2015.
V Meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ), Bari, July 2013.
III Conference on New Directions in Welfare, OECD, Paris, June 2013.
Workshop on Equality of Opportunity, Antwerp, November 2012.
Workshop GINI, Milan, October 2012.
Workshop on Equality of Opportunity and Intergenerational Mobility, Ghent, December 2011.
IV Meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ), Catania, July 2011.
II Conference on New Directions in Welfare, OECD, Paris, June 2011.
UK Country Seminar: The UK Economy, post-recession: Same as it ever was?, European Commission, Brussels June 2010.
Workshop on Income Polarisation, Jerusalem, Israel, May 2008
Workshop on Evaluation of Labour Market Policies, IZA, Bonn, October 2007.
II Meeting of ECINEQ, Berlin, June 2007.
Workshop on Poverty and Social Exclusion Dynamics, Vigo, July 2006.
Increasing Work and Income among Low-Income Households: Drawing lessons from EU and US Reforms, IEF, Madrid, June 2006.
Multidimensional Poverty: How to Choose Dimensions, Oxford, May 2006.
IPC-UNDP Conference on The Many Dimensions of Poverty, Brasilia, Brazil, August 2005.
The 2003 British Household Panel Survey Research Conference, Colchester, July 2003.
The 2001 British Household Panel Survey Research Conference, Colchester, July 2001.
European Society for Population Economics Annual Conference, Bonn, June 2000.
European Society for Population Economics Annual Conference, Amsterdam, June 1998.
Human Capital and Mobility workshop "Distribution and Redistribution of Income". Bordeaux, December 1996.
Social Choice and Welfare Annual Meeting. Maastricht, June 1996.
European Public Choice Annual Conference. Tel-Aviv, March 1996.
Human Capital and Mobility workshop "Distribution and Redistribution of Income". Leuven, December 1995.
Tempus Seminar on Population, Social Policy and Standards of Living. UAB, May 1995.
I Congress on Income Distribution and Economic Development. Universidad Carlos III. Madrid, December 1994.

SEMINARS

Univeristy of Bari, NUI Maynooth, FEDEA (Madrid), Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Universidad de Alcalá de Henares, Universidad de Vigo, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Universitat de Barcelona, Universität Osnabrück , University of Essex, ISER, University of Sassari.

REFEREEING

Economica, *Empirical Economics*, *Estudios Económicos*, *Hacienda Pública Española/Revista de Economía Pública*, *Investigaciones Económicas*, *Journal of Econometrics*, *Journal of Economic Inequality*, *Journal of Health Economics*, *Journal of Income Distribution*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society*, *The Manchester School*, *Research on Economic*

Inequality, Review of Income and Wealth, Revista de Economía Aplicada, Public Finance Review, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Social Choice and Welfare, Spanish Economic Review, World Development.

Project reviewer for the Spanish Research Agency, the Belgium Science Foundation, The Luxembourg Institute for Economic and Social Research (LISER), the University of Verona, the Catholic University of Leuven (KUL), and the University of Göttingen.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Receptient of the I3 INT 2007 grant (Generalitat Catalunya-UAB) to buy out teaching and increase research time.
- *Spanish Ministry of Education* for a sabbatical at IZA (Bonn), 2005.
- *Economic & Social Research Council* doctoral scholarship, *University of Essex*, Great Britain, 1996-1997.
- *Human Capital and Mobility-Marie Curie* (EU) doctoral scholarship, *University of Essex, Institute for Social and Economic Research*, 1995-1996.
- “La Caixa” - *British Council* scholarship for MSc in the *University of York*, 1993-1994.
- Studentship to attend the “I Simposio sobre Igualdad”, *Fundación Argentaria*, 1993.
- *Erasmus* studentship, *University of Reading*, 1991-1992.

RESEARCH GRANTS (LAST 15 YEARS)

- *Catalan Government*. “Theoretical and Applied Macroeconomics: Inequality, Partial Information and Expectations”, *Albert Marcet* (project head). 2017-2019.
- *Australian Research Council*. “Inequality of Opportunity in Australia”, *Prasada Rao* (project head). 2017-2019.
- *Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology*. “Equity, Poverty, and Attitudes”, *Xavier Ramos* (project head). 2017-2019.
- *Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology*. “Equality and Poverty: Methods and Implications”, *Xavier Ramos* (project head). 2014-2016.
- *Catalan Government*. “Equity and Development Research Group (EDReG)”, *Xavier Ramos* (project head). 2014-2016.
- *European Community 7th Framework Programme*, “Growing Inequality’s Impacts” (SSH-CT-2009-244592), *Ada Ferrer-i-Carbonell* (head of Spanish team), *Wiemer Saalverda* (project head). 2010-2013.
- *European Community, D.G.XII*, “Social Mobility and Intra-Regional income Distribution Across EU Member States”, *Nick Bozeat* (project head). 2009-2010.
- *Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology*. “Poverty and Equality: Methods and Implications”, *Xavier Ramos* (project head). 2011-2013.
- *Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology*. “Social exclusion dynamics, intergenerational mobility and equality of opportunity in Spain and Europe”, *Xavier Ramos* (project head). 2007-2010.
- *Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology*. “Multidimensional Poverty and Policies in Favour of Social Inclusion: Spain in the European Context”, *Xavier Ramos* (project head). 2004-2007.
- *European Science Foundation*. “Social Justice and Risk”, with *F. Cowell* (LSE), *E.*

Schokkaert (U. Leuven), W. Gaertner (U. Osnabrück). 2004-2007.

- European Community, TSER. “Towards a New Organisation of Men’s Lives – Emerging Forms of Work Opportunities for Gender Equality”, HPSE-CT2001-00085. With other 6 European universities. 2001-2004.
- Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology. “Public Policy Analysis, Redistribution and Growth”, M.A. López (project head). 2001-2003.
- Spanish Ministry of Science and Technology. “Human Capital, Distribution and Efficiency”, J.L. Raymond (project head). 2001-2003.
- European Science Foundation. “Demographics, the Labour Market and Income Mobility”, with C. Schluter (U. Southampton), M. Trede (U. Munster), D. van der Gaer (U. Ghent). 2001.

OTHER ACADEMIC MERITS

- Recipient of the Lluís Fina Award to the best paper published in labour economics for the period 2013-2015 for the paper “Wage effects of non-wage labour costs” published in *European Economic Review*, 2014.
- Positive evaluation of research merits required to opt to full professor positions, 2015.
- Awarded 3 positive research evaluation periods (so-called sexenios), 1998-2015.
- Treasurer of the *Society for the Study of Economic Inequality* (since 2011)
- Research Fellow of the *Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA)*, Bonn (since 2005)
- Book Review Editor of the *Journal of Economic Inequality*, (since 2009)
- Founding Member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Economic Inequality*, (since 2003)
- Guest Editor of the *International Journal of Manpower* (issue 3, volume 26, July 2005)
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the LISER award to the best paper of ECINEQ2015.
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the *Meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality* (ECINEQ), 2005, 2013, 2015, and 2017.
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the *Conference New Direction in Welfare*, Oxford 2009, Paris 2011 and 2013
- Member of the Scientific Committee of the *Symposium of Economic Analysis*, 2005-2008

SUPERVISION OF POSTGRADUATE WORK

Supervisor of 11 PhD theses (placement)

1. Gonzalo Salas, October 2016 (Universidad de la República, Uruguay).
2. Mónica Oviedo León, December 2015 (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain).
3. Martín Leites, September 2015 (Universidad de la República, Uruguay).
4. Luciana Méndez Errico, December 2014 (Universidad de la República, Uruguay).
5. Cristina Blanco Pérez, May 2013 (Universitat de les Illes Balears, Spain).
6. Christelle Sapata, June 2012 (Université Saint Louis, Belgium).
7. Evans Jadotte, June 2010 (The World Bank).
8. Sara Ayllón Gatnau, July 2009 (Universitat de Girona, Spain).
9. María Cervini Pla, July 2009 (Universitat de Girona, Spain).
10. Luis Huesca, June 2005 (Centro de Investigación en Alimentación y Desarrollo, México)
11. Ambra Poggi, December 2004 (Università Milano-Bicocca, Turin)

Supervisor of 2 ongoing PhD theses (Ana Larrea and Ernesto Rodríguez).

Supervisor of 26 MSc dissertations.

DOCTORAL COMMITTEES

- Juan César Palomino, Universidad Complutense de Madrid, 2017.
- Alessandra Conte, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2015.
- Bart Defloor, University of Ghent (Bélgica), 2013.
- Francisco Azpitarte, Universidade de Vigo, 2008.
- Maria Cubel, Universitat de Barcelona, 2004.
- Melchior Sawaya, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2004.
- Tonatiuh Nájera, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2003.
- Alfredo Serrano, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2003.

CONFERENCE ORGANISATION

- *V EQUALITAS Workshop on Poverty, Inequality, and Opportunity*, December 2016.
- *IV EQUALITAS Workshop on Poverty, Inequality, and Opportunity*, January 2016.
- *III EQUALITAS/IAE Workshop on Inequality, Opportunity and Intergenerational Transmission*, May 2014.
- *Conference New Directions in Welfare*, OECD, June 2011 and June 2013.
- *Workshop on Equality of Opportunity and Intergenerational Mobility*, Barcelona, December 2010 and 2012.
- *Conference New Directions in Welfare*, Oxford University, June 2009.
- *Workshop on Poverty and Social Exclusion Dynamics*, Barcelona, November 2007.
- *Workshop on Distributive Issues and Questionnaire Studies*, Barcelona, December 2006.
- First meeting of the *Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ)*, Universitat de les Illes Balears, Mallorca, 2005.
- *Work Changes Gender*, EU Project Conference HPSE-CT2001-00085, Barcelona, 2003.
- *Workshop Fighting Poverty and Inequality Through Tax Benefit Reform: Empirical Approaches*, Barcelona, 2000.

PUBLIC AND POLICY ACTIVITY

- Report on Child Poverty in Catalonia for the Catalan Ombudsman, 2010.
- Report on Poverty Dynamics in Catalonia, 2007
- Report on Poverty in Catalonia, 2003 and 2004
- Lecturing for the ILO, June 2006

MEDIA ATTENTION AND SOCIAL IMPACT

PRESS CONFERENCES

- Presentation of the chapter “Poverty and Inequality Measurement”, Barcelona, 17 Nov 2016.
- Presentation of the report on “Poverty Dynamics in Catalonia”, Fundació Bofill, Barcelona, April 2008.

PRESS COVERAGE

- Report on “Poverty Dynamics in Catalonia” in most Spanish and Catalan newspapers, including *El País*, *La Vanguardia*, *Avui*, *El Periodico*, *El Punt*, *La Razón*, *ABC*, *El Mundo*.
- 2003 and 2004 Reports on “Poverty in Catalonia”, in most Spanish and Catalan newspapers, including *El País*, *La Vanguardia*, *Avui*, *El Periodico*, *El Punt*.
- Publication at research dissemination journal *UABDivulga* (2013) of a non-technical summary of the paper “Long Term Earnings Inequality, Earnings Instability and Temporary Employment in Spain: 1993-2008”. <http://www.uab.cat/web/news->

[detail/default-1345680342044.html?articleId=1345664615045](http://newsroom.iza.org/en/2017/09/22/equality-of-opportunity-for-what/)

- IZA Newsroom coverage of “Equality of opportunity for well-being”, <http://newsroom.iza.org/en/2017/09/22/equality-of-opportunity-for-what/>

INVITED SPEAKER IN WORKSHOPS, ROUNDTABLES AND PANELS

- *XREAP Conference on Inequality in Economics*, Universitat de Barcelona, November 2016.
- Workshop on the 25th Anniversary of the UN Convention on Children’s rights, Catalan Ombudsman, Barcelona, November 2014.
- Workshop to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Study of Poverty in the Basc Country, December 2008.
- Panel of experts on “Dynamic Analysis Using Panel Data: Applications to Poverty and Social Exclusion”, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Moncalieri, June 2007.
- Workshop on the Advantages of Longitudinal Data for the Social and Economic Analysis, Catalan Institute for Statistics (IDESCAT).
- Member of the Panel of Experts for the *Competitivity and Social Policy Agreement*, Generalitat de Catalunya, 2004

PERSONAL MEDIA INTERVIEWS

- Collaboration for the science dissemination Catalan TV programme “Què, Qui, Com” on Economics of Poverty, November 2015. <http://www.ccma.cat/tv3/alacarta/quequicom/economia-de-la-pobresa/video/5566763/>
- Interview on Economics of Poverty for the Magazine *Eguneratuz*, October 2008.
- Radio interviews for Radio Barcelona (2005), Radio Sabadell (2003), BBC4 (2003).

ACADEMIC SERVICES

- Vice-Dean of Postgraduate Studies at the School of Economics, Sep 2012 - Sep 2015
- Head of Postgraduate studies, 2001-2011
- Organiser of the Applied Economics Seminar Series 2001-2003
- Member of the Government of the Department, 1998-2011
- Faculty Erasmus-Socrates co-ordinator since January 2000-October 2005