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Program at a glance

Thursday 26 November		Friday 27 November	
11:00	Opening ceremony *Degree Hall 2nd floor*	**10:30**	Parallel sessions: Session 5 *Classroom POP2 – 1st Floor* Session 6 *Classroom 1.7 – 1st Floor*
	Coordinators: > Santos Miguel Ruesga Benito (*Coordinator INSEAI)* > Isabel Novo-Corti (*coordinator UDC - INSEAI)* Invited participants: > Alsira Salgado Don *(Vicerrector UDC)* > Carmen Lema Fernández (*Dean Faculty of Economics and Business-UDC)* > Manuel A. Gómez Suárez (*Director of the Department of Economics)* > David Peón *(Director of the Department of Business)*	**12:00**	Parallel sessions: Session 7 *Classroom POP2 – 1st Floor* Session 8 *Classroom 1.7 – 1st Floor*
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17:30	Coffee break *Economic Analysis Meeting Room – 2nd floor*	**18:00**	Closing ceremony
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21:00	Workshop dinner *Arbore da Veira (Monte de San Pedro)*		

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Thursday 26 November

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(simultaneous interpretation)

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12:00 Parallel sessions

Session 1 Informality, Inequality and the Moral Economy of Compliance

Classroom POP2 – 1st Floor · Chair Isabel Novo-Corti · English · simultaneous interpretation

12:00 13:30	**Link Google Meets:** https://meet.google.com/aik-fwdy-zpa **Presentation and authors**	**Format**
1	**The Impact of Income Inequality on the Shadow Economy: Evidence from European Countries** Andrzej Buszko, Jordan Klimek	**Online**
2	**Informality, Inequality and Well-Being in Europe: Institutional Frameworks and the Moral Economy of Rule-Breaking** Davidescu Adriana AnaMaria, Roberto Dell'Anno, Manta Eduard Mihai, Bolboașă Maria-Bianca	**Online**
3	**Measuring Informality and Undeclared Work in Spain Evidence from Labour Force Survey and Social Security Records** Jaime Casero Caballero, Miguel Ángel García Martínez, Sara Carrascosa García, Guillermo Gorgas Ruiz	**Online**
4	**Who Pays for Informality? Poverty, Welfare Regimes and the Social Acceptance of Informal Work in the European Union** Ioana Bîrlan, Adriana AnaMaria Davidescu, Tamara Maria Nae	**Online**
5	**Economic vulnerability, institutional fairness and the moral legitimacy of informal work in Romania** Dobrotă Gabriela, Enea Constanța, Stegăroiu Carina Elena	**Online**

Session 2 digitalization, Platforms and New Forms of Informality

Boardroom 1 – Mezzanine Floor · Chair Maria João Castro · English · simultaneous interpretation

12:00 13:30	**Link Microsoft Teams:** https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/330823217754142?p=Pu6OfHeoDSRgjsY9dw **Presentation and authors**	**Format**
6	**AI-supported assessment of general english proficiency: a comparative analysis of four digital platforms** Oana Maria PĂSTAE	**Online**
7	**Economic Vulnerability, Institutional Trust and the Moral Acceptance of Tax Non-Compliance: Evidence from Argentina, Peru and Romania** Bogdan Diaconu	**Online**
8	**AI Assistants for Informal Workers: From Digital Exclusion to Digital Empowerment** Isabel Vieira, Maria João Castro, Anabela Mesquita	**In person**
9	**The legal boundaries of informality in platform work. Tax compliance, employment status and social protection** Ignacio Picatoste Novo, Asunción López Arranz, Eva María Lodeiro Estraviz, Xose Picatoste & Isabel Novo-Corti	**Online**
10	**Indicator Policy and digitalization, Informality and Formality** Klaus-W. West	**Online**
11	**Digital Marketing, Social Inclusion and Socioeconomic Inequalities: An Agenda for Bibliometric Analysis and Research** Sandrina Francisca Teixeira, Sara Teixeira, Ana Pinto de Lima	**Online**

13:30 Lunch - *Faculty of Law Dining Hall*

15:00 – 16:30 Parallel sessions

Session 3 Informal Economies, Enterprise and Livelihoods in the Global South

Classroom POP2 – 1st Floor · Chair Manuel Cúns · English

15:00 16:30	**Link Microsoft Teams:** https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/3746055772626464?p=CnUcthvieRW34jEvW3 **Presentation and authors**	**Format**
12	**The Informal Economy of Business Tourism in the Global South: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa** Christian M. Rogerson, Jayne M. Rogerson	**In person**
13	**Grocery Stores Everywhere: Informal Prevalence and Formal Micro-Businesses Performance in Togo** Tchapo Gbandi	**Online**
14	**Enterprise Activity during the Covid Pandemic: Evidence from India's Unincorporated Sector** Rajesh Raj S. N.	**Online**
15	**Rising Informality in Egypt and Jordan (2010–2025): the Role of Demand-Side** Philippe Adair, Vladimir Hlasny, Imène Berguiga, Adrien Frontenaud	**Online**
16	**Managing Waste Differently in the Matadi Area: The Dynamism of Mothers Facing Urbanization Challenges** Miantezila Mena Saphy	**In person**

Session 4 Urban Informality, Migration and Vulnerable Communities

Classroom 1.7 – 1st Floor · Chair Matías Membiela-Pollán · English

15:00 16:30	**Link Microsoft Teams**: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/335538410740363?p=IUdRElaRJcIck9j1dP **Presentation and authors**	Format
17	**Between resilience and informality: tourism in an era of geopolitical and economic uncertainty** Dobrotă Gabriela, Enea Constanța, Stegăroiu Carina Elena	**Online**
18	**"Ndangane Kaolack is not a coincidence!": Exploring Migrant Neighbourhood Resilience in Urban Africa** Philipa Birago Akuoko	**Online**
19	**Formalization Efforts in Mumbai and Their Discontents: State-Led Slum Rehabilitation and Its Impact on Residents** Atharv Kore, Arshad Bhat	**Online**
20	**Urbanization and the protection of citizens-consumers in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: toward the regulation of community-based urban planning practices** SAMBA TUMUENIMO Pathy, LELOUTRE Gery	**In person**
21	**Between regulation and empowerment – urban policies on economic and labour informality** Dr. Matthias Schulze-Böing	**To confirm**
22	**Necropolitics and Urban Heat Violence (UHV) in Informal Settlements** Elmond Bandauko	**Online**

16:30 – 17:30 Plenary session

Link Microsoft Teams:
https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/3703047924565185?p=78Olo7zqFQXxLh7KLg

Keynote lecture by Juan Ferreiro *(Professor of Ecclesiastical Law - University of Oviedo - Spain)*

Degree Hall 2nd floor

17:30 – 18:00 Coffee break

Economic Analysis Meeting Room – 2nd floor

18:00 – 19:00 Plenary session

Link Microsoft Teams:
https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/3244486752399323?p=im8r6gFnZHgFMBENfg

Keynote lecture by Rebecca Rose Nocella *(Lecturer in Law and Social Sciences at Oxford Brookes University – United Kingdom)*

Degree Hall 2nd floor

21:00 Workshop dinner

Arbore da Veira (Monte de San Pedro)

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Thursday 26 November.

Special Event (only people invited)

SPECIAL SEMINAR: INFORMALITY & DIGITALIZATION – Link Google Meet:

Boardroom 1 – – Mezzanine Floor

Organized by:

Agustín Salvia, Raul Lorente, Victor Climent

Boardroom 1 – Mezzanine Floor

15:00 16:30	**Online Debate: part 1:** https://meet.google.com/vmy-nete-xga	Format
1	**Coordinators:** Agustín Salvia, Raul Lorente, Victor Climent	**Online**

16:30 – 17:00 Coffee break

Economic Analysis Meeting Room – 2nd floor

Boardroom 1 – – Mezzanine Floor

17:00 18:15	**Online Debate: part 2:** https://meet.google.com/iqt-drhp-pxm	Format
2	**Coordinators:** Agustín Salvia, Raul Lorente, Victor Climent	**Online**

Friday 27 November

10:30 – 12:00 Parallel sessions:

Session 5 Social Norms, Trust and Behavioral Approaches to Informality

Classroom POP2 – 1st Floor · Chair Matías Membiela-Pollán · English

10:30 12:00	**Link Google Meet**: https://meet.google.com/dat-pttx-peh **Presentation and authors**	**Format**
23	**The Moral Economy of Recruitment: Trust, Brokerage and Dependency among Migrant Factory Workers in Hosur, India** Dr Padmini Ram, Gayathri A N	Online
24	**The role of peer effects and individual perception on the prevalence of undeclared work in the European Union** Dagmara Nikulin, Abbi M. Kedir	Online
25	**Social Marketing and Economic Formalization: A Behavioral Approach to Informality** Matías Membiela-Pollán	In person
26	**Evidence from a Survey Experiment on Undeclared Work in Italy and Spain** Roberto Dell'Anno, Zouhair Ennaoumi, Laura Fumagalli, Thomas Martin, Lavinia Parisi	Online
27	**Informal work as social regulation: The role of norms, rationalization and institutional context** Jolanta Słoniec, Monika Kulisz	In person

Session 6 Regulation, Formalizations and the Boundaries of Informal Work

Classroom 1.7 – 1st Floor · Francisco J. Rey · English

10:30 12:00	**Link Microsoft Teams:** https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/3873510243952030?p=IlvaXSqSBdv0mVl0bU **Presentation and authors**	**Format**
28	**Mathematical Modelling of Public Universities as Catalysts for Sustainable Artificial Intelligence: Green Algorithms and Implications for Labour Informality in the Digital Economy** Francisco J. Rey	In person
29	**Constructing legality in the Colombian coffee sector in response to the EUDR** Lucia Casalegno	Online
30	**Fixing Informality? Knowledge, Power and the Politics of Formalization** Vanessa van den Boogaard, Max Gallien	To confirm
31	**The relationship between informality and poverty: much more a simple association of variables** Diego Masello	Online

12:00 – 13:30 Parallel sessions:

Session 7 Public Policy, Institutions and Development in Latin America

Classroom POP2 – 1st Floor · Chair da Julimar Silva Bichara · Spanish · simultaneous interpretation

12:00 13:30	Link Google Meet: https://meet.google.com/xtr-xfhm-mxf Presentation and authors	Format
32	**Youth unemployment and unequal access to employment in Colombia: Work experience, job search channels and labour market informality** Cristian Darío Castillo Robayo, Maria Luz Moyano Buitrago, Eduardo Moreno Reyes	In person
33	**Generational and gender trends in informal employment in Mexico, Brazil and Argentina (2002–2022)** J. Verónica Ramírez Rangel, Raúl Lorente Campos	To confirm
34	**The Informal Economy, Economic Growth and Development: Revisiting the Blessing–Curse Hypothesis** Adrián Ríos-Blanco, Manuel Octavio del Campo-Villares, Francisco-Jesús Ferreiro-Seoane	In person
35	**Migrant Regularization and the Transition to Formal Employment among Migrant Women in Spain's Care Economy: From the Lessons of 2005 to the Challenges of 2026** Emma Avila Garavito	In person
36	**Legislated Gender Quotas and the Informal Economy: Evidence from 121 Countries** Josetxo Larrayoz Olague	Online
37	**Dilemas éticos y responsabilidad social frente al trabajo informal** Asunción López Arranz, Ignacio Picatoste Novo	In person

Session 8 Informality, Territory and Labour Markets in Latin America

Classroom 1.7 – 1st Floor · Chair Asunción López Arranz · Spanish · simultaneous interpretation

12:00 13:30	Link Microsoft Teams: https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/360029271514888?p=8GpuadnWsYB3fCbLWq Presentation and authors	Format
38	**What Is Informal Work? Perspectives and Recognition of Employment (Jujuy, Argentina, 2025–2026)** Natividad González, María Agustina Romero, María Paula Arévalo, Laura Golovanevsky	Online
39	**Trayectorias Educativas e Informalidad en Argentina** Marina Gerolimetti	Online
40	**Public Policies in Argentina: From Electoral Platform to Governance** María Liliana Salerno, María Daniela Paredes, Federico Weissbein	Online
41	**The Regional Cost of Dollarization: Hysteresis and Convergence of Provincial Unemployment in Ecuador (2018–2025)** Jonathan Chávez Haro	Online
42	**Planificación y ordenamiento territorial. Un desencuentro forzado** Lenin William Postigo De la Motta	To confirm
43	**Alli Kawsay (Buen vivir) in the indigenous movements of Colombia - Ecuador, political-economic practices as a global model, in defense of the rights of Mother Nature in the global south** Vanessa Arteaga Bernal, Eduardo Erazo Acosta	To confirm

13:30 Lunch - *Faculty of Law Dining Hall*

15:00 – 16:00 Plenary session

Link Google Meet: https://meet.google.com/yut-ycrb-rso

Keynote lecture by Jesúswaldo Martínez *(Instituto Belisario Domínguez - Senado de la República de México - México)*

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16:00 – 16:30 Coffee break

Economic Analysis Meeting Room – 2nd floor

16:30 – 18:00 Parallel sessions:

Session 9 Labour Markets, Gender and Socioeconomic Change: Comparative Perspectives

Classroom POP2 – 1st Floor · Chair to be confirmed · English · simultaneous interpretation

16:30 18:00	**Link Google Meet:** https://meet.google.com/tgx-dsww-ugz **Presentation and authors**	**Format**
15:00	**Exchange Rate Dynamics and Bilateral Trade Balance Adjustment in India: Revisiting the J-Curve Hypothesis** Riddhi Mehta, Arshad Bhat	**Online**
15:13	**Can the decriminalization of abortion reduce its moral disapproval among traditionalist citizens in Africa?** Mathieu Juliot MPABE BODJONGO, Boidieu Fidèle NGONO, Youssouf NVUH NJOYA	**Online**
15:26	**A Low-Intensity Citizenship Trap** Lucas Ronconi *Full title to be confirmed*	**Online**
15:39	**Informality in Care Work: Gender Gaps and Economic Inequality in Bogotá vs. A Care System for Unpaid Caregivers** Claudia Alejandra Bermúdez Bermúdez	**Online**
15:52	**Time-Use Patterns and Labor Informality by Gender in Colombia: A Comparative Analysis, 2016–2017 and 2024–2025** Esteban Nina Baltazar, Oscar Villamizar *Esteban Nina Baltazar online · Oscar Villamizar in person*	**In Person+ Online**

Session 10 Territorial Transitions, Sustainability and Informal Governance

Classroom 1.7 – 1st Floor · · Chair Angélica Díaz de la Rosa · English · simultaneous interpretation

16:30 18:00	**Link Microsoft Teams:** https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/3900167642070512?p=novUlvotWfEs9u6ZJE **Presentation and authors**	**Format**
17:00	**Legitimacy of formalization and informalization in waste economies: Waste as commons and commodities** Tulin Dzhengiz	**Online**

16:30 18:00	**Link Microsoft Teams:** https://teams.microsoft.com/meet/3900167642070512?p=novUlvotWfEs9u6ZJE **Presentation and authors**	**Format**
17:13	**Economic Restructuring and Social Acceptance of the Energy Transition: Institutional Trust, Socioeconomic Vulnerability and Territorial Communication in As Pontes** Francisco J. Rey, Manuel Cortés	**In person**
17:26	**Integrating Non-Observable Social Influence with Formal Policy and Economic Constraints: A System Dynamics Analysis of Electric-Vehicle Adoption in Spain** Bianca Cid Bouzas	**Online**
17:39	**Wildfire Risk Prediction and Spatial Gaps in Firefighting Accessibility: Evidence from Andalusia** Miguel Ángel Casquet Cano	**Online**
17:00	**Ergonomie constructive et réadaptation du tricycle cargo en Côte d'Ivoire (cas des communes d'Abobo et Daloa) / Constructive ergonomics and adaptation of cargo tricycles in Côte d'Ivoire (case study of the Abobo and Daloa municipalities)** KANATÉ Mohamed	**Online**
17:13	**La prevención de la violencia y el acoso a bordo como exigencia jurídica de dignidad en el trabajo marítimo: análisis de la Resolución MSC.560(108) y su recepción en España** Angélica Díaz de la Rosa, Alsira Salgado Don	**In person**
17:26	**La informalidad y la precariedad del trabajo en plataformas digitales: la reforma a la legislación mexicana** Redi Gomis, Alfredo Hualde	**Online**

18:00 – 18:30 Closing ceremony

Link Google Meet: https://meet.google.com/gsx-uotu-kva

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