

JOINT WORKSHOP ON FISCAL FEDERALISM  
(PUBLIC, REGIONAL AND URBAN ECONOMICS)  
Brasília, Brazil, May 10-11, 2018

Venue: Campus II da Universidade Católica de Brasília – SGAN 916, Av. W5 Norte, Brasília - DF

## PROGRAM

### Day 1: May 10, 2018

8:00 – 8:30: Opening Ceremony

8:30 – 9:30: *Keynote Lecture 1 (Auditorium):* “Fiscal Federalism Issues in Resource-Rich Federations,”  
- **Robin Boadway** (Queen’s University)

9:30 – 9:55: Coffee Break

10:00 – 12:00: *Paper Session 1 (Auditorium): Fiscal Federalism: Theory*

Paper 1: “The Trade-off between Efficiency and Equity in a Federation with Provincial Resource Revenues” **Bev Dahlby** (University of Calgary)

Paper 2: “Are Moderate Leviathans Harmful to Tax Coordination?” Jun-ichi Itaya (Hokkaido University) and **Chikara Yamaguchi** (Hiroshima University)

Paper 3: “Asymmetric Regions and the Optimal Degree of Fiscal Decentralization,” Antonio Bellofatto (University of Queensland) and **Martin Besfamille** (Catholic University of Chile)

Paper 4: “Asymmetric Decentralized Leadership in a Heterogeneous Federation,” **Emilson Silva** (University of Alberta)

12:00 – 13:45: Lunch

14:00 – 16:00: *Paper Session 2 (Auditorium): Regional Disparities and Economic Convergence*

Paper 1: “Multidimensional Convergence and the Role of Government: An Analysis for the Brazilian States,” Rubiane Almeida (Catholic University of Brasilia), **Tito Moreira** (Catholic University of Brasilia) and Benjamin Tabak (Getúlio Vargas Foundation)

Paper 2: “Poverty Dynamics, Macroeconomic Changes and Regional Disparities in Brazil,” **Décio Chaves** (IPECE, Federal University of Ceará) and Fabricio Linhares (Federal University of Ceará)

Paper 3: “Demographic Aspects and Regional Income Convergence in Brazil: Panel Data Approaches,” Rubiane Almeida (Catholic University of Brasilia), **Benjamin Tabak** (Getúlio Vargas Foundation) and Tito Moreira (Catholic University of Brasilia)

Paper 4: “Regional Disparities, Public Policy and Economic Growth in Brazil,” **Marcelo Ladvoat** (UNIALFA) and Vander Lucas (University of Brasilia)

14:00 – 16:00: *Paper Session 3 (Room B-104): Impacts of Government Policy in Brazil, Canada and China*

Paper 1: “The Use of Information Technology in Environmental Management: The Case of PPCDAM,” Rodrigo Pereira (IPEA) and **Celso Vila Nova** (University of Brasilia)

Paper 2: “Spillovers in a Decentralized Health Market,” Marcelo Castro (Federal University of Uberlândia), **Enlison Mattos** (São Paulo School of Economics) and Fernanda Patriota (Lehman Foundation)

Paper 3: “How Does Land Policy Affect the Size Distribution of Chinese Cities?,” Emilson Silva (University of Alberta), Jihai Yu (Peking University) and **Guozhong Zhu** (University of Alberta)

Paper 4: “Spatial Commitment Devices and Addictive Goods: Evidence from the Removal of Slot Machines from Bars,” Vyacheslev Mikhed (Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia), **Barry Scholnik** (University of Alberta) and Hyungsuk Byun (Government of Alberta)

16:00 – 16:25: Coffee Break

- 16:30 – 18:00: *Discussion Panel 1: Fiscal Federalism Issues in Brazil*  
Confirmed Panelists: **Roberto Ellery** (University of Brasilia), **Adolfo Sachsida** (IPEA), **Jose Luiz Rossi** (BID), **Isaías Coelho** (FGV-SP) e **Leonardo Pires** (TN)
- 19:00 – 22:00: Conference Dinner: Coco Bambu (invited participants)

## Day 2: May 11, 2018

- 9:00 – 10:30: *Paper Session 4 (Auditorium): Financial Intermediation, Public Spending and Economic Convergence (in Portuguese)*  
Paper 1: “Fiscal Federalism and Financial Intermediation: An Analysis of the Impact of Banking Presence in Small Brazilian Municipalities Using Propensity Score Matching,” **Greisson Pereira** (Catholic University of Brasilia), **Emilson Silva** (University of Alberta) and **Tito Moreira** (Catholic University of Brasilia)
- Paper 2: “Social and Economic Convergence across Brazilian States between 1990 and 2010,” **Rubiane Almeida** (Catholic University of Brasilia), **Philipp Ehrl** (Catholic University of Brasilia) and **Tito Moreira** (Catholic University of Brasilia)
- Paper 3: “Optimal Composition of the Public Spending and Economic Growth,” **Jose Divino** (Catholic University of Brasilia), **Daniel Maciel** (Catholic University of Brasilia) and **Wilfredo Sosa** (Catholic University of Brasilia)
- 9:00 – 10:30: *Paper Session 5 (Room B-104): Public Policy and Industrial Organization*  
Paper 1: “Die Young and Live Large: Subsidized Loans and Firm Survival in Brazil,” **Philipp Ehrl** (Catholic University of Brasilia, IPEA)
- Paper 2: “The Evolutionary Brexit Game: Uncertainty and Location Decision,” **Izak Silva** (Federal University of Juiz de Fora), **Douglas Silveira** (Federal University of Juiz de Fora) and **Silvinha Vasconcelos** (Federal University of Juiz de Fora)
- Paper 3: “Optimal Domestic Redistribution and Multinational Monopoly,” **Jonathan Hamilton** (University of Florida) and **Steven Slutsky** (University of Florida)
- 10:30 – 10:55: Coffee Break
- 11:00 – 12:00: *Keynote Lecture 2 (Auditorium): “Rethinking the Political Economy of Decentralization: How Elections and Parties Shape the Provision of Local Public Goods.”*  
- **Jorge Martinez-Vazquez** (Georgia State University)
- 12:00 – 13:45: Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:00: *Paper Session 6 (Auditorium): Fiscal Federalism: Empirics*  
Paper 1: “Breaking-up: Do Smaller Jurisdictions Provide Better Public Services?,” **Marcelo Castro** (Federal University of Uberlandia) and **Daniel da Mata** (IPEA)
- Paper 2: “Interregional Competition under Political Incentives in China,” **Emilson Silva** (University of Alberta), **Branko Boskovic** (University of Alberta), **Greisson Almeida** (Catholic University of Brasilia), **Daniel Uhr** (Federal University of Pelotas) and **Julia Uhr** (Federal University of Pelotas)
- 15:00 – 15:25: Coffee Break
- 15:30 – 17:00: *Discussion Panel 2 (Auditorium): Fiscal Federalism Issues: International Perspectives*  
Confirmed Panelists: **Robin Boadway** (Queen’s University), **Jorge Martinez-Vazquez** (Georgia State University), **Anderson Silva** (World Bank), **Isaías Coelho** (FGV-SP)
- 19:00 – 22:00: Dinner (all invited; however, free for invited speakers and organizing committee only): Steak Bull

## Day 3: May 12, 2018

- 9:00 – 12:30: City Tour (all invited)
- 13:00 – 15:00: Feijoada (all invited; however, free for invited speakers and organizing committee only): Bamboa