



**Workshop on Productivity Growth, Resource Misallocation and Development
December 11-12, 2014
Montevideo, Uruguay**

Banco Central del Uruguay (BCU), in cooperation with the Research Institute for Development, Growth and Economics (RIDGE), is pleased to announce the Workshop on Productivity Growth, Resource Misallocation and Development, which will be held on December 11-12, 2014, in Montevideo, Uruguay, organizers Joseph Stiglitz (Columbia), Omar Licandro (Barcelona GSE) and Adolfo Sarmiento (BCU).

This Workshop will develop within the framework of the First RIDGE December Forum, December 8 - 12, 2014, jointly with the following workshops: Financial Stability and Regulatory Responses, December 8-9, Financial Crises, December 9-10, Firm Dynamics, Trade and Development, December 10-11

The RIDGE December Forum aims to favor the spread of high quality research in economics by associating top researchers working on the frontier of knowledge to local and regional researchers and policymakers.

This Workshop will count with the presence of the following invited speakers

Professor Hugo Hopenhayn from UCLA (<http://www.econ.ucla.edu/faculty/regular/Hopenhayn.html>)

Hugo Hopenhayn is Professor of Economics at the University of California-Los Angeles (UCLA). He received his bachelor's degree from University of Buenos Aires and Ph.D. in Economics from University of Minnesota. His major fields of research are Microeconomic Theory, Industrial Organization, Macroeconomic Theory and Labor Economics. He won the Lacea's Carlos Diaz Alejandro prize in 2010 and is Fellow of the Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory.

Professor Diego Restuccia from University of Toronto (<http://www.economics.utoronto.ca/diegor/>)

Diego Restuccia is Professor of Economics at the University of Toronto. He received his bachelor's degree from Catholic University Andrés Bello of Venezuela. He also received an M.A. in Economics from the University of Minnesota and a Ph.D. in Economics from the same University. At the University of Toronto he teaches courses on Macroeconomic Theory and Macroeconomic Growth. He is Associate Editor at the Review of Economic Dynamics. In 2013 he received the Dean's Excellence Award, at the University of Toronto, Faculty of Arts and Science.

Gustavo Ventura from Arizona State University (<http://www.gustavoventura.com>)

Gustavo Ventura is Professor at the Economics Department of Arizona State University. He previously held positions at the University of Western Ontario, Pennsylvania State University and the University of Iowa. He received his bachelor's degree from Universidad Nacional de Cuyo, Argentina, an M.A. in Economics, Centro de Estudios Macroeconomicos de Argentina and a M.S. and a Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Illinois. His research interests are on taxation, economic inequality and economic development from a macroeconomic perspective. In 2010 he received the Professional Excellence in the Training of Economists (P.E.T.E.) award. He is member of the Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group.

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