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The Research Institute for Development, Growth and Economics (RIDGE) and the LACEA Labor Network are pleased to announce a call for papers for the Labour workshop to be held in Medellin, Colombia on 20-21 May 2019.

The deadline for submission is 28 February 2019

The workshop will be focused on labor market dynamics in developing countries, with special interest in Latin America. To expand the frontiers of global and regional knowledge around jobs and advance the discussion on the most effective policies, we are interested in papers that focus on:

- Employment dynamics in formal/informal sector of the economy
- Quality of informal employment
- Public employment dynamics
- Mismatches and facilitating market transitions through education, skills, and other active labor market programs
- The impact of social protection systems
- Technological progress and productivity (firm dynamics, employment, labor income, etc.)
- Improving access to jobs for vulnerable or traditionally disadvantaged groups such as women, youth, refugees and IDPs, and people living in fragile, conflict and violent (FCV) contexts
- Data challenges and opportunities in labor economics
- Understanding the future of jobs in the world of AI and robotics
- Theoretical models to understand the drivers of jobs outcomes in developing countries

Both theoretical and empirical contributions are welcome. There will be a dedicated discussant for each paper, as well as open floor discussion.

The 2019 workshop will take place within the framework of the 2019 RIDGE May Forum along with the following workshops:

- Public Economics, May 20-21, 2019
- LACEA Political Economy Group, May 20-21, 2019
- LACEA Network on Inequality and Poverty, May 22-23, 2019
- LACEA America Latina Crime and Policy Network (AL CAPONE), May 22-23, 2019
- LACEA Impact Evaluation Network, May 21-22, 2019

The RIDGE May Forum and the Labor Network Meeting favor the spread of high quality research in economics by bringing together prestigious researchers working on the frontier of knowledge to local and regional researchers and policymakers. Participants to this workshop are welcome to attend the other workshops.

Paper submission

Full papers, written in English, must be submitted for consideration for the workshop. The cover page should include: the title of the paper, institutional affiliation, including address, phone and email of each author and an abstract with the appropriate JEL classification. Each author can submit and present at most one paper per workshop (submission of papers to other workshops is possible).

Full papers, in PDF format, should be submitted via the website:

<http://www.ridge.uy/paper-submission/>

Important dates

Deadline for paper submission: 28 February 2019 (12 AM ET)

Notification of organizers decision: 15 March 2019

Further information

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