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Keynote speaker

Prof. Manuela Angelucci (University of Texas at Austin)

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NOTICE: All times are EDT

Monday, September 20

9:45-10:00 Welcome and opening remarks

Session 1. Chair: Felipe Barrera, Vanderbilt University

10:00-10:30 “Women in Engineering: The Role of Role Models”

Muchin Bazan, Virginia Tech University

Discussant: **Verónica Frisancho**, Inter-American Development Bank

10:30-11:00 “Gender Confidence Differences and the College Major Gap”

Fernanda Ramírez-Espinoza, Harvard University

Discussant: **Muchin Bazan**, Virginia Tech University

11:00-11:15 Break

Session 2. Chair: Verónica Frisancho, Inter-American Development Bank

11:15-11:45 “Supporting Teacher Autonomy to Improve Education Outcomes: Experimental Evidence from Brazil”

Matteo Ruzzante, Northwestern University

Discussant: **Felipe Barrera**, Vanderbilt University

11:45-12:15 “The Effects of Tenure on School Outcomes: Evidence from Centralized Recruitment of Teachers in Costa Rica”

Melissa Vega Monge, University of Maryland

Discussant: **Matteo Ruzzante**, Northwestern University

12:15-13:15 Lunch

Session 3. Chair: Verónica Escudero, International Labour Organization

- 13:15-13:45** **“The Border Labyrinth: Information Technologies and Trade in the Presence of Multiple Agencies”**
Alejandro Graziano, University of Nottingham
Discussant: **Roberto Hsu Rocha**, University of California, Berkeley
- 13:45-14:15** **“Formality Costs, Registration and Development of Microentrepreneurs: Evidence from Brazil”**
Roberto Hsu Rocha, University of California, Berkeley
Discussant: **Jeanne Lafortune**, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
- 14:15-14:45** **“Mentoring micro-entrepreneurs: Who and for whom?”**
Jeanne Lafortune, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
Discussant: **Alejandro Graziano**, University of Nottingham
- End of Day 1**

Tuesday, September 21

Session 4. Chair: Oscar Mitnik, Inter-American Development Bank

- 10:00-10:30** **“Boundary estimation in the regression-discontinuity design: Evidence for a merit- and need-based financial aid program”**
Eugenio Felipe Merlano, Queen Mary University of London
Discussant: **Karen Ortiz-Becerra**, University of California, Davis
- 10:30-11:00** **“Testing Attrition Bias in Field Experiments”**
Karen Ortiz-Becerra, University of California, Davis
Discussant: **Oscar Mitnik**, Inter-American Development Bank
- 11:00-11:15** Break
- 11:15-12:15** **KEYNOTE ADDRESS SESSION. Chair: Felipe Barrera, Vanderbilt University**
Depression, Poverty, and Economic Behavior
Manuela Angelucci, University of Texas at Austin

12:15-13:15 Lunch break

Session 5. Chair: Oscar Mitnik, Inter-American Development Bank

13:15-13:45 “Intergenerational Mobility After Expanding Educational Opportunities: A Quasi Experiment”

Francisco Meneses, Duke

Discussant: **Verónica Escudero**, International Labour Organization

13:45-14:15 “Exposure to High-Speed Internet and Early Childhood Development”

Karina Colombo, European Institute University

Discussant: **Francisco Meneses**, Duke

14:15-14:45 “Military Conscription, Sexist Attitudes, and Intimate Partner Violence”

Maria Amelia Gibbons, Universidad de San Andrés

Discussant: **Fernanda Ramírez-Espinoza**, Harvard University

14:45-15:00 Closing remarks