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WORK EXPERIENCE

Since August 1999: **International Monetary Fund**. Washington D.C.

Current position: senior economist, Mexico-desk, Western Hemisphere Department.

Since April 2005: coordinator of the Small Macroeconomic Models at the IMF.

Until Nov. 06: senior economist, Colombia-desk, Western Hemisphere Department.

Until July 04: economist, Guatemala-desk, Western Hemisphere Department.

Until Sept. 02: economist, Asian Division, IMF Institute.

August 1988-July 1999: **Central Bank of Ecuador**, Quito, Ecuador

1998-1999: Deputy Chief-Economist and Director of the Research Department.

1992-1994: Manager of the Monetary Policy Division.

1988-1990: Assistant to the Chairman of the Central Bank Board.

1987-1988: **Produbanco** (commercial bank). Quito-Ecuador, Director of the Planning Department

EDUCATION

1998 **Texas A&M University**, College Station, TX, USA, Ph.D. in Economics.

Dissertation: "International Borrowing, Interest Rates and the Price of Capital".

1992 **ITAM**, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, Mexico City, Mexico.

Master in Economics.

1990 **Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador**, Quito, Ecuador

Bachelor degree in Economics.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Inflation Persistence in Latin America (joint with N. Batini and B. Barkbu) paper presented at the LACEA meetings held at ITAM-Mexico, November 2006.
- Inflation Persistence in Colombia, in IMF country Report No. 06/401, November 2006.
- How Emerging Market Countries May be Affected by External Shocks?, in Ch. 1, Global Prospects and Policy Issues, World Economic Outlook, September 2006, pp. 22-23.
- The Development of Hedging Instruments in Colombia (joint with L. Ong), in IMF country Report No. 05/162, May 2005.
- Banking, Currency and Debt Meltdown: Ecuador's Crisis in the Late 1990s (Joint with Augusto de la Torre and Yira Mascaro), mimeo.
- International Debt and the Price of Domestic Assets (Joint with Leonardo Auernheimer). IMF Working Paper No. 177, October 2000 (under revision of the Journal of International Economics).
- Ecuador: External Shocks and Real Exchange Rate (in Spanish), BCE Notas Técnicas No. 55, April 1999.
- The Role of Asset Prices in the Transmission of External Shocks (in Spanish), Cuestiones Económicas No. 35, September 1998.
- Central Bank Independence. Economic Times, Vol. 5, No.1, Fall 1996 (Joint with Dennis Jansen)

OTHER

Nationality: Ecuadorian (G4 visa).

Languages: Spanish and English.

Software: Matlab, Troll, Fame, Eviews, Excel, Word.

Teaching Experience: IMF Institute, Escuela Politécnica del Litoral, Texas A&M University and Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador.

References: Robert Rennhack, Douglas Laxton (IMF); Prof. Leonardo Auernheimer (Texas A&M);

Augusto De la Torre (World Bank), Abelardo Pachano (CEO Produbanco).