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**14<sup>th</sup> Meeting, Bogota, May 29-30, 2014**

Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup>

Morning sessions Chair: Ernesto Dal Bó

**Morning session 1: Politicians and leaders 1**

- 8:45 -9:00      Opening remarks. Marcela Eslava (Universidad de Los Andes)
- 9:00 - 9:45      “Does Oil Make Leaders Unaccountable? Evidence from Brazil’s Off-shoring Boom”  
**Claudio Ferraz** (PUC Rio), Joanna Monteiro  
Discussant: Joachim Voth (University of Zurich)
- 9:45 - 10:30    “Rules Rather Than Discretion: Teacher Hiring and Rent Extraction”  
**Ricardo Estrada** (Paris School of Economics)  
Discussant: Darío Maldonado (Universidad del Rosario)

**10:30 – 11:00 Coffee break**

**Morning session 2: Institutions**

- 11:00 - 11:45    “The Size of Local Legislatures and Women’s Political Representation. Evidence from Brazil”  
**Ricardo de Abreu Madeira (University of São Paulo)**, Gabriel Barreto Corrêa  
Discussant: Adriana Camacho (Universidad de Los Andes)
- 11:45 -12:30    “Political Inequality and the Origins of Distrust: Evidence for Colombia”  
**Daphne Alvarez (U. Munich)**  
Discussant: Daniel Gómez (Fedesarrollo)

**12:30 – 2:00 Lunch**

Afternoon Sessions Chair: Marcela Eslava

- 2:00 - 3:00      Keynote Presentation "Sovereign Debt and Financial Folly: Lessons from the First Serial Defaulter in History" Joachim Voth (University of Zurich)**



### Afternoon session: State Capacity

- 3:00 - 3:45 “Endogenous State Weakness: Paramilitaries in Rio de Janeiro”  
**Benjamin Lessing** (University of Chicago)  
Discussant: Leopoldo Fergusson (Universidad de Los Andes)
- 3:45 – 4:00 Coffee break**
- 4:00 – 4:45 “Political Constraints and State Capacity: Evidence From a Land Allocation Program in Mexico”  
**Leopoldo Fergusson (Universidad de Los Andes)**, Horacio Larreguy, Juan Felipe Riaño  
Discussant: Claudio Ferraz (PUC Rio)
- 4:45 – 5:30 “Consolidating Order and Prosperity: State Formation with Endogenous Military and Productive Capabilities”  
**Ernesto Dal Bó** (UC Berkeley), Pablo Hernández and Sebastián Mazzuca  
Discussant: Benjamin Lessing (University of Chicago)

### Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>

Morning Session Chair: Claudio Ferraz

#### **Morning Session 1: Politicians and leaders 2**

- 8:30- 9:15 “Do Politicians' Relatives Get Better Jobs? Evidence from Municipal Elections in the Philippines”  
**Julien Labonne** (Oxford University)  
Discussant: Rafael Santos (Universidad de Los Andes)
- 9:15 - 10:00 “Balancing the Power to Appoint Officers”  
**Danilo Santa Cruz Coelho (IPEA)**, Salvador Barverá  
Discussant: Oskar Nupia (Universidad de Los Andes)
- 10:00 – 10:30 Coffee break**



Morning Session 2:

10:30 - 11:15 “Political Budget Cycles, Information and Development”

**Jorge Lorca** (University of Minnesota)

Discussant: Marcela Eslava (Universidad de Los Andes)

11:15 - 12:00 “Political Advertising in Consolidating Democracies: Radio ads, Clientelism, and Political Development in Mexico

**Horacio Larreguy Arbesu** (Harvard U.), John Marshall, James M Snyder

Discussant: Ernesto Dal Bó (UC Berkeley)

12:00 - 12:45 “Who monitors the monitor? Effect of Party Observers on Electoral Outcomes”

**Agustín Casas** (U. Carlos III), Guillermo Dias, Andrade Trindade

Discussant: Julien Labonne (University of Oxford)

**12:45 - Closing remarks, lunch**