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Dear Colleagues:

I am enclosing a summary listing of our doctoral candidates who are entering the job market in 2017-2018. If you are interested in any of these students, please feel free to contact the student's references or the individual student for his/her entire credentials packet. In addition, please don't hesitate to write or phone us at Professor Ignacio Ortuno's number (+34) 916245735, as well as contact our Graduate Program Coordinator, Arancha Alonso, at <mailto:phd@eco.uc3m.es> or (+34) 916248624.

You can also find information about our job market candidates at our website:

<http://www.eco.uc3m.es/index.php/en/department/job-market-candidates>

They will attend the ASSA meeting in Philadelphia this January, as well as the Simposio de la Asociación Española de Economía in Barcelona, Spain.

We would be happy to supply whatever additional information we can concerning these candidates.

Sincerely,

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**Economics Candidates Job Market.  
Universidad Carlos III de Madrid. 2017/2018**

Name	Areas of interest	Job Market Paper	Thesis advisor* and References
<a href="#"><u>Federico Curci</u></a>	Applied Economics Urban Economics Labour Economics Economics of Crime	<a href="#"><u>Essays in Urban Economics</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Ricardo Mora*</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Klaus Desmet</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Jan Stuhler</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Jesús Fernández-Huertas</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Hasin Yusaf</u></a>	Political Economy Public Economics Development Economics	<a href="#"><u>Essays in Political Economics</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Irma Clots-Figueras*</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Jan Stuhler</u></a> Brian Knight <a href="#"><u>Ignacio Ortuño-Ortín</u></a>

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**Education:** Ph.D. in Economics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Expected 2018  
Visiting PhD Student, Southern Methodist University, 2016  
MSc. in Economic Analysis, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 2014  
Joint MSc. in Economics, Université Catholique de Louvain and  
Università degli Studi di Milano, 2010  
BSc. in Political Science, Università degli Studi di Milano, 2008  
Erasmus Exchange, Södertörns Högskola, 2007-2008

**Fields of Interest:** Applied Economics, Urban Economics, Labour Economics, Economics of Crime

**Dissertation Title:** Essays in Urban Economics

**Abstract Summary:**  
In the first essay, "Flight from Urban Blight: Lead Poisoning, Crime and Suburbanization", joint with F. Masera, we provide causal evidence that crime has been an important reason to explain suburbanization of U.S. cities. We propose a novel instrument, based on an environmental poisoning in the U.S., to exogenously predict violent crime rate in the city centers for all U.S. cities. In the second essay, "Vertical and Horizontal Cities: in which Direction Should Cities Grow?", I study how different city developments might have distinctive consequences for city welfare, in terms of amenities and productivity. In particular, I establish the different consequences of having cities which are taller versus cities that are spreader in space. In order to reach this goal I exploit a strategy that combines reduced form estimations with a more structural approach. In the third essay, "The Taller the Better? Agglomeration Determinants and Urban Structure", I further examine how firms location in the city and office building height can play an important role for agglomeration and the consequent productivity advantages, looking at the role of skyscrapers in influencing the concentration of establishments in U.S. cities.

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**Papers:** "Flight from Urban Blight: Lead Poisoning, Crime and Suburbanization", with F. Masera, Job Market Paper  
"Vertical and Horizontal Cities: in which Direction Should Cities Grow?"  
"The Taller the Better? Agglomeration Determinants and Urban Structure"  
"Gentrifying Cities: Evidence from San Francisco", with M. H. Yousaf

**Teaching Experience:** Teaching Assistant, Universidad Carlos III, 2013-2018  
Graduate: Applied Economics I, Econometrics I. Undergraduate: Econometric Techniques, Dynamic Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Principles of Economics

**Research Experience:** Researcher, International Labour Organization, 2011-2012  
**Other Experience:** Microcredit Evaluation Consultant, LFS Financial System, 2015  
Economic and Scientific Counsellor Assistant, Italian Embassy in Spain, 2010

**Languages:** Italian (Native), English (Fluent), Spanish (Fluent), French (Basic)

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M.A. in Economic Analysis, Universidad Carlos III, 2014  
B.Sc (Hons) in Economics & Mathematics, LUMS, 2012

**Fields of Interest:** Political Economy; Public Economics; Development Economics

**Dissertation Title:** Essays in Political Economy

**Abstract Summary:**

In the first essay, I study the impact of mass shootings on electoral outcomes, voter preferences and gun policy making. Using a Difference-in-Difference strategy I find that Republicans lose 4 percentage points in counties with mass shootings in the Presidential, House, Senatorial and Gubernatorial elections compared to counties without mass shootings. These electoral results are largely due to an increase in the importance of gun policy among voters. Mass shootings increase the political polarization among both voters and politicians and makes policy making difficult. In the second paper, we analyze how state capacity may influence the rise and fall of non-state actors. We use evidence from two natural disasters in Pakistan: an earthquake in 2005 and a flood in 2010 which received different levels of international help and show that support for Taliban decreased in areas affected by the earthquake, while it increased in areas affected by the flood. The evidence suggests competition between government and non-state actors for gaining support of citizen. In the third essay, I study the determinants of political participation and test the hypothesis whether risk of terrorism acts like a bond that brings together citizens and increases their civic engagement. Using the stock of government and tall buildings and population density at the time of September 11 attacks, I show that areas with high and the low terrorism risk had similar trend in political outcomes prior to the September 11 attacks and diverge after the attacks.

**References:** Irma Clots-Figuera (Main Advisor) - [iclots@eco.uc3m.es](mailto:iclots@eco.uc3m.es)  
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**Papers:** "Sticking to one's guns: Mass Shootings and Gun Control in the U.S.", Job Market Paper, 2017  
"The Charitable Terrorist: State Capacity and the Support for the Pakistani Taliban", with Federico Masera, 2017, *Submitted*  
"Terrorism Risk and Political Participation: Evidence from September 11", 2016  
"Gentrifying cities: Evidence from San Francisco", with Federico Curci, Work-in-progress  
"Military and Terrorism: Evidence from Afghanistan", with Federico Masera, Work-in-progress  
"Special Interest Groups and Politics: Evidence from U.S.", with Brian Knight and Ruben Durante, Work-in-progress

**Teaching Experience:** Instructor for Intro to Mathematics (PhD Economics)  
Graduate: Micro-econometrics, Industrial Organization  
Undergraduate: Game Theory, Development Economics, Mathematics for Economics II, Quantitative Microeconomics. Microeconomics I, Econometrics, Calculus

**Research Experience:** Visiting PhD Student, University College London (UCL), Oct-Dec 2016

**Languages:** Urdu (Mother Tongue); English (Fluent); Spanish (Basic)