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NATIONALITY: Ecuadorian

HIGHER EDUCATION

- UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST (UNITED STATES OF AMERICA), 2006 – To present.
DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCE ECONOMICS- ISENBERG SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT.
Ph. D. Candidate on Economics, Doctoral Program on Natural Resource Economics.
Title of Dissertation: “Pricing and Preserving Unique Ecosystems: The case of the Galapagos Islands”. To present
- UNIVERSITY OF CONCEPCION (CHILE), 2001 - 2003
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
Master on Natural Resources and Environmental Economics with mention on Biodiversity Economics.
Title of Dissertation: “Legitimacy, Local Participation, and Compliance of the Fishing Regulations in the Galapagos Marine Reserve (GMR)”.
- PONTIFICAL CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF ECUADOR (ECUADOR), 1991 - 1997
FACULTY OF ECONOMICS
B.A. Economist with mention on Finance and Banking.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS AND AREAS OF INTEREST

I have competitive skills on areas such as: analysis and assessment of environmental public policies; payment schemes for environmental services; biodiversity conservation; collaborative management; environmental economics; economic valuation methods; trainer skills; and, facilitation skills.

I have experience in natural resource management of small islands and coastal ecosystems, a special focus on fisheries management and tourism. My doctoral dissertation addresses issues about tourism management and economic valuation in the Galapagos Islands in Ecuador.

HIGHER EDUCATION LECTURER AND TUTOR

- RESOURCE ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST (Fall 2009). Instructor of the undergraduate course Introduction to Microeconomics and Environmental Economics (RESEC 102).
- CENTER FOR DISTANCE AND PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION, WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY (Spring, 2008). Bilingual Tutor for the Course Business Planning for Protected Areas (Course developed by WSU in partnership with The Nature Conservancy, UNESCO World Heritage Centre and the Conservation Finance Alliance).
- INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY SEK (Fall 2005). Instructor of the Master Program on Environmental Management, Lecture of Environmental Economics and Planning.
- SAN FRANCISCO DE QUITO UNIVERSITY (Fall 2004). Conference Lecturer: Fisheries Management with a Bioeconomic perspective (Master Program on Environmental Management).
- SAN FRANCISCO DE QUITO UNIVERSITY (Fall 2003). Instructor, Course of Natural Resources and Environmental Economics (Undergraduate course).

LABOR EXPERIENCE

RESOURCE ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT, UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS AMHERST (Fall 2007 – To present).

- Teaching assistant for several courses (Econometrics, Environmental Economics, Price Theory, and others).
- Research assistant.
- Instructor of introduction to microeconomics and resource economics.

MENTEFACTURA (Dec, 2000 – March 2007), Associate Consultant and Co-founder, Theme responsible on Natural Resources and Environmental Economics.

- Chief of Parties of the study: “Country Environmental Assessment Ecuador for the Inter American Development Bank (IDB)” (US\$125K).
- Coordinator of the research team of the study: Economic Valuation of the National Park System of Ecuador and its contribution to reduce poverty”, with funding of The Nature Conservancy (US\$ 20K).
- Consultant on financial issues for protected areas, tourism management and economic issues; and local development for various projects (US\$ 90 K).
- Chief of Parties of the study: Identification of a financial Mechanism to guarantee the sustainability of the communitarian vigilance system to conserve the Protected Area of Chongon Colonche (Peninsula de Santa Elena, Ecuador). Contract for KfW-GFA Group and Fundacion Natura (US\$ 15K).
- Coordinator of the Initiative for Capacity Building to Local Government in the Use of economic instruments for environmental management. This initiative included an international conference with the presence on high level lecturers on the field, and the support of several organizations such as: Ecuadorian Association of Municipalities, Swiss Aid Agency (COSUDE), Esquel Foundation and CORPAIRE, and a diagnosis study on the use of these instruments on Ecuadorian Municipalities, including the environmental services payment scheme (US\$ 15K).

FUNDACIÓN NATURA – WWF US, (September 2003 – March 2006), Program officer, of the Project Conservation of the Galapagos Marine Reserve (with the financial aid of USAID).

- Report to donor.
- Design and implementation of the project’s monitoring performance plan.
- Design of annual work plans.
- Facilitation of the planning process.
- Handle of institutional relation with international and national organizations (private and public) concerned on Galapagos conservation.
- Oversee projects implemented by Fundación Natura in Galapagos.

FUNDACION NATURA- Ecuador (1997–2001).

- Coordinator of the Latin-American Forest Network.
- Responsible Editor of SAVIA (Bulletin on international forest policy)
- Coordinator for Latin-American Region of the study: “Monitoring the implementation of the Proposals of Action of the Inter- governmental Panel on Forests”.
- Design and writing of projects on forest policy.
- Communication with donors.
- Project Coordinator (E) for the Eco-development Mache Chindul Project (Esmeraldas–Ecuador).
- Technician of the Eco-development Mache Chindul Project, responsible of NTFP’s marketing (Esmeraldas - Ecuador).
- Technician of the Eco-development Mache Chindul Project, responsible for the design and implementation of a Village Bank System for several groups of peasant women (these groups included indigenous people and settlers) (Esmeraldas–Ecuador).
- Support team to write a GEF Project for Mache Chindul Protected area (supporting with financial calculations, including incremental costs).

FUNDACION PROPUEBLO (1997)

- Writing and design of projects for local communities in Manglaralto District (Guayas–Ecuador).
- Trainer on business management to local communities.

AIIESEC ECUADOR (1993 - August 1996)

- National Director of Programs: Human Sustainable Development Program
- Director of Projects of the Local Committee at Quito: Sustainable Development Program.

JAIME MORILLO BATLLE, FORMER MINISTER OF FINANCE OF THE REPUBLIC OF ECUADOR (1994-1996)

- Research Assistant for the book "Monetary Economics of Ecuador 1927 -1995".

LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

- César Viteri M., and Sylvia Brandt(2010); "Setting incentives to control tourism in the Galapagos islands: a choice experiment approach"; Paper submitted to the WCERE 2010. ACCEPTED!!!
- Dave Timmons and César Viteri M. (Forthcoming); "Biomass Energy from woodchips: Diesel Fuel Dependence?"; *Biomass and Bioenergy* ; Accepted for publication.
- César Viteri M., and Carlos Chávez R. (2007); "Legitimacy, Local Participation, and Compliance of the Fishing Regulations in the Galapagos Marine Reserve Reserva Marina (GMR)"; *Ocean and Coastal Management*, 50, 2007, pp. 253-274.
- César Viteri M, Jon Conrad, Linda Nostbakken (2004), "Management of a Stochastic Fishery The Spiny Red Lobster in the Galapagos Marine Reserve", Paper submitted to: *Journal on Environmental Economics and Management – JEEM-*.
- César Viteri M, Jon Conrad, Linda Nostbakken, Steven Stone, and Henrik Franklin (2004), "Fisheries Management in the Galapagos Marine Reserve: A Bio-economic Perspective", *Working Paper of Inter American Development Bank*, Quito.
- César Viteri M., and Carlos Chávez R. (2003); "Enforcement and Compliance of the fishing regulations in the Galapagos Marine Reserve (GMR): 1998 –2001"; Journal "*Cuestiones Económicas*", Banco Central del Ecuador, Vol. 19, No. 3.
- César Viteri (2003), Artisan-Fishing in the Galapagos Marine Reserve: Enforcement, Local Participation and Compliance", Dissertation for Master's Degree, Department of Economics, University of Concepción (Chile), January.
- César Viteri (1997), "Financial alternatives for environmental friendly projects", Thesis for Economist' Degree, Faculty of Economics -PUCE, Quito, March.
- Responsible Editor of SAVIA Bulletin of the Latin American Forest Network (from Issue N.31 March/1998 to Issue N. 38 September/2000), Bulletin on International Forest Policy.
- Several articles Bulletin SAVIA:
 - Exclusion of the Major Groups of the discussions about the establishment of the United Nations Forum on Forests, SAVIA 38, September 2000.
 - *Final meeting of the Costa Rica–Canada Initiative*", SAVIA 36, January 2000.
 - "THIRD MEETING OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL FORUM ON FORESTS -IFF3- trade and environment" SAVIA 35, August 1999.
 - "*International meeting of Experts on Protected areas*", SAVIA 34, April 1999.

PRESENTATIONS ON INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES

- Lecture: “Galapagos Fisheries Management a Bio economic Perspective”, Third Congress of Latin-American Association of Environmental and Natural Resource Economists (ALEAR), Talca (Chile), September, 2007.
- Lecture: “Legitimacy, Local Participation and Compliance of fisheries regulation on the Galapagos Marine Reserve”. Third Congress of Environmental Economists, Kyoto, Japan, July, 2006.
- Lecture: “Galapagos Fisheries Management a Bio economic Perspective”, Third Congress of Environmental Economists, Kyoto, Japan, July, 2006.
- Lecture: “Legitimacy, Local Participation, and Compliance of the Fishing Regulations in the Galapagos Marine Reserve (GMR)”, Latin American Econometric Society Congress (LAMES 2004), Santiago de Chile, July 27-30, 2004.
- Lecture: “Legitimacy, Local Participation, and Compliance of the Fishing Regulations in the Galapagos Marine Reserve (GMR)”, Latin-American Congress of Environmental and Natural Resource Economists, Cartagena de Indias (Colombia), 9-11th July, 2003.
- Lecture: “Enforcement and Compliance of the fishing regulations in the Galapagos Marine Reserve (GMR): 1998 –2001”, Ibero-American Congress on Environment and Development – Local Challenges in face to Globalization - FLACSO, Quito (Ecuador), 11-12th April, 2003.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- I approved the comprehensive exam on natural resource economics with honors, Department of Resource Economics of the University of Massachusetts Amherst, May 2008.
- Research Small Grant from the Latin American and Caribbean Environmental Economics Program (LACEEP), November 2008.
- Travel Grant awarded by the Graduate School of the University of Massachusetts Amherst to present in the Third Congress of Latin-American Association of Environmental and Natural Resource Economists (ALEAR), Talca (Chile), September, 2007.
- University of Massachusetts Amherst Assistantship, granted by the Department of Resource Economics to pursue the Doctoral Program on Natural Resource Economics, September 2006 to present.
- Russell E. Train Alumni Grant Russell E. Train; Alumni Scholarship to attend to the Environmental Leadership Course offered by Smithsonian Institute, Washington, DC, September, 2005.
- Research Grant from the Master Program on Environmental and Natural Resources Economics (MERNYMA), Department of Economics, University of Concepción (Chile), September, 2002.
- Mac Arthur Foundation Scholarship granted by the MERNYMA Program, Department of Economics, University of Concepción (Chile), March, 2001.
- RUSELL E. Train Scholarship and Fellowship granted by the Program of Education for Nature of the World Fund for the Nature (WWF) to pursue the Master Program on Environmental and Natural Resources Economics (MERNYMA), March, 2001.

INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT EXPERIENCE

- Inter American Development Bank. Document: “Country Environmental Assessment Ecuador” for the Inter American Development Bank, March 2006 – March 2007. Chief of Parties.
- KfW-GFA Group-Fundación Natura; Identification of a Financial Mechanism to guarantee the sustainability of the Vigilance System to conserve the Chongon Colonche Protected Forest (It

includes as options a scheme of pay for environmental services), August 2005 – December 2005. Leading Researcher.

- International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) - Inter American Development Bank (IDB). Economics of shark fisheries on Ecuador Mainland. November 2005. Leading Researcher.
- Ecuadorian Association of Municipalities - Mentefactura , Coordinator of the “Initiative for Capacity Building to Local Government of the use of economic instruments for environmental management”, January 2005 – July 2005.
- The Environmental and Development Group, UNDP and GEF, Country Assessment (Ecuador) and Design of the international Project “Financing the National Protected Areas System”. February, 2005 – December 2005. Mentefactura’s Peer Reviewer team
- CORPAIRE- Mentefactura, “Economic Valuation of health benefits because of the implementation of retrofit technologies on diesel vehicles in Quito”, July – August 2005. Consultant.
- The Nature Conservancy – Ministerio del Ambiente del Ecuador Proyecto Análisis de Necesidades de Financiamiento del Sistema, Nacional de Áreas Naturales Protegidas del Ecuador, Junio, 2004 – Marzo 2005. Advisor and peer reviewer.
- UNDP - NCSA, Elaboration of the Document: “Synergies among the Rio Conventions: Biodiversity, Climate Change and Desertification Combat”; September 2004, Chief of Parties Consultant.
- Inter American Development Bank; Consultant Report: “Fisheries Management in the Galapagos Marine Reserve: A Bio-economic Perspective”, May 2004, Chief Researcher on Ecuador.
- Consultant for Ing. Fco. De La Torre -CORPAQ, Consulting Report: Economic Valuation of the Main Environmental Impacts of the Project “Quito Airport’s New Highway”, June-August 2003. Leading Researcher.
- Consultant for SNV- Fundación Natura, Consulting Report: Proposal of Natural Resource Management and Production: Sustainable Production Systems (Sangay Environmental Program), May 2003. Leading Researcher.
- Consultant for GTZ – Fundación Natura, Group Certification for Forests: A study for Ecuador, February 2003. Leading Researcher.
- Consultant for The Nature Conservancy (TNC) – Fundación Arco Iris, Research on the Financial Sustainability of the Podocarpus National Park: Water and Tourism Cases, February 2000. Associate consultant.
- Consultant for TNC – Fundación Natura, Research on the Financial Sustainability of the Machalilla National Park, November 1999. Associate consultant.
- Consultant for the Ministry of Environment - International Agreements Department, Giving a lecture on the issues addressed by the Commission of Trade and Environment of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests, December 1999. Lecturer.
- Consultant for Fundación Futuro Latinoamericano, Being the rapporteur of the Amazon Countries Consultative Meeting - Canada Costa Rica Initiative (in support to the policy dialogues for the International Arrangements on Forests), October 1999. Rapporteur.

AFILIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- Member of the Econometric Society.
- Member of the TAFICOPA (Task Force on Fisheries, Islands, Coral and Ocean Protected Areas) working group of IUCN.

- Member of the Latin American Association on Environmental and Resource Economics (ALEAR, acronym in Spanish).
- Member of the Forest Voluntary Certification Group of Ecuador (CEFOVE, acronym in Spanish). This group is the national chapter of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC).
- Member of the Sub group on Biodiversity Economics of the National Working Group on Biodiversity (Ecuador).

EXPERIENCE IN INTERGOVERNMENTAL DIALOGUES ON FORESTS

- Preparatory meeting for the United Nations Forum on Forests, New York, February 2001, Delegate.
- International experts meeting of the Eight-Countries Initiative: Designing the Work Program of the United Nations Forum on Forests, Bonn - Germany, December 2000, Delegate.
- Sixth Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climatic Change, The Hague - Netherlands, November 2000.
- Fourth Session of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests (IFF) (Ad-hoc forum of the United Nations Commission of Sustainable Development). New York, February 2000, Official Delegate, attending to the Contact Group on Trade and environment
- Experts Meeting of the Costa Rica-Canada Initiative “International Mechanisms and Arrangements for the Sustainable Development of Forests”, meeting to support the policy dialogues of the IFF, Ottawa, December, 1999, Delegate.
- Third Session of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests, Geneva, May 1999, Official Delegate, attending to the Contact Group of Trade and environment.
- Experts International Meeting on Forest Protected Areas, Brazil-United States Join Initiative in support to the policy dialogues of the IFF, San Juan – Puerto Rico, March 1999, Delegate.
- Global Workshop on The Underlying Causes of the Deforestation and Forest Degradation, Meeting in support of the policy dialogues of the IFF, San José - Costa Rica, January 1999, Delegate.
- Latin American Workshop on The Underlying Causes of the Deforestation and Forest Degradation, Santiago de Chile, October 1998, Delegate.
- Fourth Session of the Conference of the Parties of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity, Bratislava–Slovakia, May 1998, Delegate.

OTHER INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

- World Summit on Social Development, Copenhagen – Denmark, March 1995, Youth Delegate.
- Various International Congresses of AIESEC International: Denmark 1995, Sri Lanka 1995, Canada 1995; Poland 1996.

INTERNATIONAL COURSES

- “Experimental Economics”, the Latin-American and Caribbean Environmental Economics Program, Cuzco, Peru, Sep. 2008.
- “Application of computational economics to solve dynamic problems”, Latin-American and Caribbean Environmental Economics Program, Medellin, Colombia, July 2008.
- “Valuation and House Surveys”, CATIE and the Latin-American and Caribbean Environmental Economics Program, Turrialba, Costa Rica, July 2008.
- Environmental Leadership Course, Smithsonian Institute, Washington DC – United States, September 11th – 22nd, 2005. (80 Hours). Certificate.
- Course of Analog Forestry, Arbofilia, San José–Costa Rica, January, 1999. Certificate.
- International Course on Local Economic Development, Center of Studies of the Development D.S.C., Rehovot-Israel, June-July 1998, Certificate.

LANGUAGES

- English Excellent
- French Basic
- Spanish Native

COMPUTER PROGRAMS

Econometric Packages: SAS, STATA, LIMDEP, N-LOGIT, SPSS, GAMS, e-views
Other Programs: WORD, EXCEL, E-mail, WEB.

REFERENCES

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