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Current position

- Since September 2009 Científico Titular at the Institut d'Anàlisi Econòmica (CSIC), Barcelona, Spain

Degrees

- Ph.D. degree in Economics: obtained on 17 January 2003, Faculty of Economics and Econometrics, University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands. Thesis title: 'Quantitative analysis of well-being with economic applications.' Supervisor: Prof. B.M.S. van Praag.
- Ph.D. degree in Ecological Economics: obtained on 27 May 2003, Department of Economics, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY, USA. Thesis title: 'Consumption, behavior, and the environment: Theoretical and empirical dimensions,' Supervisor: Prof. J. Gowdy.
- Master of Science in Economics: obtained on August 1998, Department of Economics, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY, USA.
- 'Llicenciatura' (undergraduate) in Economics: obtained on June 1994, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Bellaterra, Spain.

Past positions

[From September 2002 to May 2003 and from March 2005 to November 2005 on extended maternity leaves]

- September 2007 – September 2009 2007 ICREA researcher at the Institut d'Anàlisi Econòmica (CSIC), Barcelona, Spain

- January 2006 – August 2007; post-doc with a VENI fellowship at SCHOLAR, Faculty of Economics and Econometrics & at AIAS, Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies; University of Amsterdam.(0.8fte)
- July 2004 – August 2007; research fellow of the Tinbergen Institute, The Netherlands.
- May 2003 – December 2005; post-doc at AIAS, Amsterdam Institute for Advanced Labour Studies, University of Amsterdam. (0.8fte)
- January 2005 – December 2005 research visitor at SCHOLAR, Faculty of Economics and Econometrics, University of Amsterdam.
- January 2004- January 2005 research visitor, Faculty of Economics and Econometrics, University of Amsterdam.
- January 1999-September 2002. PhD student, Faculty of Economics and Econometrics, University of Amsterdam
- January 2002 – May 2003, Researcher, Foundation for Economic Research (SEO) of the University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands. (0.2 fte).
- January 1999- December 2001. Junior Researcher, Foundation for Economic Research (SEO) of the University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands. (0.2 fte).
- August 1997-December 1998. Research Assistant of Prof. F. Duchin, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY.
- January 1997- May 1997. Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY.
- January 1997- December 1998. PhD student, Department of Economics, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY. From August 1997 to August 1998 on a Fulbright scholarship.
- November 1995- December 1996. Research Assistant of Prof. J. Martinez-Alier, Department of Economic Theory and Economic History, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Bellaterra, Spain
- Academic Years 1994-1995 Researcher and lecturer, Faculty of Economics, Universidad Autonoma de Zacatecas, Zacatecas, Zac., México

Teaching Experience

- Teaching together with Ana Rute Cardoso (IAE, CSIC) an IDEA (UAB) graduate course “Empirical Microeconomics” Fall 2009

- Teaching of undergraduate course “Happiness Quantified” together with Professor B.M.S. van Praag, Institute for Interdisciplinary Studies of the University of Amsterdam, the Netherlands. October 2004-January 2005.
- Teaching Assistant of undergraduate course “Introduction to Economics”, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY. January 1997-June 1997.
- Teaching of undergraduate courses “Microeconomics” and “Introduction to Economics”, Universidad Autonoma de Zacatecas, Zacatecas, Zac., México. August 1994-December 1994.

Scholarships and fellowships

- ICREA fellowship for 5 full time years. Starting September 2007.
- Ramon y Cajal, fellowship for 5 full time years. Declined. 2006.
- VENI fellowship from NWO (Dutch Science Foundation). For 3 full time years. January 2006 – August 2007. (Declined after 18 months because I moved to Barcelona, Spain).
- Fulbright scholarship. August 1997-August 1998.

Popular Media

- Article in *The Economic Journal* (2004, with P. Frijters) received much attention from media in various countries. The article was discussed in, among others, *The Times*, *the Financial Times*, BBC-News, *The Independent*, *The Guardian*, YahooNews, and several non-English language newspapers. Paul Frijters (co-author) had an interview with the BBC-Radio (July-August 2004).
- A one-hour radio program on public Catalan radio (Catalunya Radio station), which addressed the relationship between income and happiness, paid much attention to my work (December 2004).
- The Spanish newspaper *La Vanguardia* interviewed me for an editorial on the relationship between income and happiness (December 2004).
- Following our book "Happiness Quantified" (with B.M.S. van Praag), we were interviewed in the Dutch newspaper *NRC Handelsblad* (September 2004).
- The Catalan newspaper *AVUI* and the Catalan TV program *Els Matins de TV3* discussed our work (with J. Fernández-Huertas Moraga) on “Immigration in Catalonia”, which we did for El Centre d’Estudis de Temes Contemporanis (CETC) (March 2008).
- Interview for the TV program (of the national catalan television, Canal 33), “Valor Afegit” on the relationship between happiness and money. On 23 December 2008.

- Interview for the Basque news paper Berri over the relationship between GDP and happiness (On July 6 2010).

Participation in research projects

- EPICURUS, Societal and economic effects on quality of life and well-being: preference identification and priority setting in response to changes in labour market status. Project financed by the European Commission (Contract number HPSE-CT-2002-00143). From May 2003 to April 2006. Principal investigator: Prof. I. Theodossiou, University of Aberdeen
- External Advisor of a project lead by M. Rojas (FLACSO-Mexico) entitled: Understanding Quality of Life in Latin America and the Caribbean: A Multidimensional Approach. Financed by the BID.
- Health@Work: -- An inquiry into the health and safety at work; a European Union perspective. Coordination and support action. Project number: 200716. Call identifier FP7-HEALTH-2007-A. Total duration: 36 months. Principal investigator: Prof. I. Theodossiou, University of Aberdeen
- GINI, Growing INequalities' Impacts. Accepted. Collaborative Project proposal to Call FP7-SSH-2009-A, Theme 8 SSH-2009 - 2.2.1 Social inequalities, their implications and policy options. Coordinator: Wiemer Salverda (AIAS, University of Amsterdam)
- Member of a recognized research group from the Catalan government ("Generalitat de Catalunya"): June 2009 to December 2013; SGR: 00896.
- Spanish Ministry: "Proyecto del Plan Nacional" titled: "Studies in Microeconomics: Experimental Economics, Bilateral Matching Mechanisms and Subjective Well-Being". ECO2008-04784. Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación 1/1/2009 to 31/12/2011.

Referee for:

Among others: American Economic Review, Economica, Ecological Economics, The Economic Journal, Health Economics, Journal of Applied Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Inequality, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Public Economics, Labor Economics, Oxford Economic Papers, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Social Science and Medicine, World Bank Review.

Other academic activities

- In August 2000, I co-organized (together with Professors J. Hartog, J. Theeuwes, and P. Wakker) a conference on “Measuring Welfare and Well-being” at the Tinbergen Institute in Amsterdam, in honor of Prof. B.M.S. van Praag.
- Member of the program committee for SOEP2006, 7th International German Socio-Economic Panel User Conference. July 2006.
- Member of a 5 expert committee that wrote a consultation document entitled: Growing Happier? Happiness and Satisfaction Analysis as a basis for Innovation. This was initiated by the *Innovation Platform*, The Netherlands. The objective was to evaluate the importance for a Happiness Research Center in the Netherlands. Final workshop with stakeholders organized on September 2006 in Utrecht, The Netherlands.
- Data creation:

Under the EU-sponsored international EPICURUS project, I was responsible, together with Professors Theodossiou and van Praag, for developing and implementing a large international questionnaire (field work: summer 2004). The data set created by this questionnaire covered representative samples (1000 respondents each) of low and middle skilled workers from the Netherlands, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, the U.K., and Spain. The data set included a conjoint analysis study.

Together with Professors J. Hartog and B.M.S. Van Praag we created a set of questions (including a conjoint analysis study) that were included in the May 2006 edition of a periodically run questionnaire. This questionnaire is run by NIBUD, a research center in the Netherlands that aims at understanding income and consumption behavior of young people in the Netherlands.
- Attending and presenting papers in several international conferences on Ecological Economics, Health Economics, Economics of Well-being and Happiness, and general economics.
- Invited at several national and international workshops and seminars.
- Total number of citations to my published work according to the Social Science Citation Index is 405 (December 2009).

Publications

Books

Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., 2003. *Quantitative analysis of well-being with economic applications*. Amsterdam: Thela Thesis Publishers (PhD Thesis).

van Praag, B.M.S. and Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., 2004. *Happiness Quantified: A Satisfaction Calculus Approach*. Oxford University Press, Oxford: UK.

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citations- SCCI-Dec2008 (two both editions): 90

Book reviews of Happiness Quantified: Economic Issues, Economic Affairs, Journal of Economic Inequality, Journal of Socio-Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organisation, and Journal of Economic Literature

van Praag, B.M.S. and Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., 2009. *Chinese translation* of *Happiness Quantified: A Satisfaction Calculus Approach*. Published by Shanghai People's Publishing House (translator: Wen Yanping).

Journal articles

Bergh, J.C.J.M. van den, A. Ferrer-i-Carbonell, and G. Munda, 2000. Models of individual behaviour and implications for environmental policy. *Ecological Economics*, 32(1): 43-61. *# citations- SCCI- Dec2009*: 35

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Berkhout, P.H.G., A. Ferrer-i-Carbonell, and A.C. Muskens, 2001. Alle beetjes helpen. *Economisch Statistische Berichten, ESB*, 4319: 603-605.

Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., 2005. Income and Well-being: An Empirical Analysis of the Comparison Income Effect. *Journal of Public Economics*, 89(5-6): 997-1019. *# citations- SCCI- Dec2009*: 51

- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., and J.C.J.M. van den Bergh, 2004. A Micro-econometric Analysis of Determinants of Unsustainable Consumption. *Environmental and Resource Economics*, 27: 367-389. # citations- SCCI- Dec2009: 2
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., and P. Frijters, 2004. How important is methodology for the estimates of the determinants of happiness? *The Economic Journal*, 114(July): 641-659. # citations- SCCI-- Dec2009: 100
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A. and J.M. Gowdy, 2007. Environmental awareness and happiness. *Ecological Economics*, 60(3): 509-516. # citations- SCCI-- Dec2009: 7
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A. and K. Gërkhani 2010. Financial satisfaction and (in)formal sector in a transition country. *Social Indicators Research*, accepted for publication.
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A. and T. Mora, 2009. The job satisfaction gender gap among young recent university graduates: Evidence from Catalonia. *Journal of Socio-Economics*, 38(4): 581-589.
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., A.C. Muskens, and M.J. van Leeuwen, 2002. Behavioral responses to energy-related taxes: a survey. *International Journal of Global Energy Issues*, 18(2-4): 202-217.
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., and Van Praag, B.M.S., 2001. Poverty in the Russia. *Journal of Happiness Studies*, 2(2): 147-172.
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., and Van Praag, B.M.S., 2002. The subjective costs of health losses due to chronic diseases. An alternative model for monetary appraisal. *Health Economics*, 11: 709-722. # citations- SCCI- Dec2009: 21
- Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., and Van Praag, B.M.S., 2003. Subjective income inequality and its causes. *The Journal of Economic Inequality*, 1: 107-127.
- Gowdy, J.M., and A. Ferrer-i-Carbonell, 1999. Toward consilience between biology and economics: the contribution of Ecological Economics. *Ecological Economics*, 29(3): 337-348. # citations- SCCI- Dec2009: 7
- Hartog, J., Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., and Jonker, N., 2002. Linking measured risk aversion to individual characteristics. *Kyklos*, 55(1): 3-26. # citations- SCCI- Dec2009: 37
- Hatzmann, J., H.S. A. Heymans, A. Ferrer-i-Carbonell, B. M. S. van Praag, and M.A. Grootenhuis, 2008. Hidden Consequences of Success in Pediatrics: Parental Health-Related Quality of Life—Results From the Care Project. *Pediatrics*. 122: e1030-e1038. # citations- SCCI- Dec2009: 4

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Other Publications

Book chapters

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Van Praag, B.M.S. and Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., 2008. A Multi-dimensional Approach to Subjective Poverty. In: N.Kakwani and J. Silber (eds.), *Quantitative approaches to multidimensional poverty measurement*. Chapter 8. NY: Palgrave, macmillan.

Van Praag, B.M.S. and Ferrer-i-Carbonell, A., 2009. Inequality and happiness. In: W. Salverda, B. Nolan, and T. Smeeding (eds.), *Oxford Handbook of Economic Inequality*. Chapter 17. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

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TPEdigitaal. 2(3): 99-117.

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afgeschermdde sectoren SEO-rapportnr. 581, 90-6733-205-4

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