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**IX Meeting, Cartagena, June 12-13, 2008**

**Thursday, June 12th**

9.00-9.30: Opening Remarks. Mauricio Cardenas (Executive Director - Fedesarrollo)

9:30-12:30 First session

- **Gustavo J. Bobonis** - University of Toronto  
“Political Institutions, Labor Coercion, and the Emergence of Public Schooling: Evidence from the 19th Century Coffee”.  
**Discussant:** Oskar Nupia, Universidad de los Andes
  
- **Adriana Camacho** - Universidad de los Andes, (Emily Conover - University of California, Berkeley)  
“Manipulation of Social Program Eligibility: Detection, Explanations, and Consequences for Empirical Research”.  
**Discussant:** Ernesto Stein, Inter-American Development Bank
  
- **Alberto F. Cavallo** - Harvard University, (Eduardo A. Cavallo - Inter-American Development Bank)  
“Are crises good for long term growth? The role of political institutions”.  
**Discussant:** Mauricio Cárdenas, Fedesarrollo

12.30-2.00 Lunch

2.00-5:00 Second session.

- **Oskar Nupia** - Universidad de los Andes, (Marcela Eslava - Universidad de los Andes)  
“Reassessing the fiscal consequences of polarization and fragmentation in the legislature”.  
**Discussant:** Carlos Scarstascini, Inter-American Development Bank.



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- ❑ **Carlos Scarstascini**- Inter-American Development Bank, (Ernesto Stein - Inter-American Development Bank, Mariano Tommasi - Universidad de San Andrés). "How Do Political Institutions Work? Veto Players, Intertemporal Interactions, and Policy Adaptability".  
**Discussant:** Alberto F. Cavallo - Harvard University
  
- ❑ **Claudio Ferraz** - Instituto de Pesquisa Econômica Aplicada, (Frederico Finan - University of California, Berkeley)  
 "Motivating Politicians: The Impacts of Monetary Incentives on Quality and Performance".  
**Discussant:** Martin Rossi, Universidad de San Andrés

**Friday, June 13th**

9.00-12.00 Third session.

- ❑ **Oeindrila Dube** - Harvard University, (Juan F. Vargas - Banco de la República)  
 "Commodity price shocks and civil conflict: evidence from Colombia"  
**Discussant:** Catherine Rodriguez, Universidad de los Andes
  
- ❑ **Martín A. Rossi** - Universidad de San Andrés, (Ernesto Dal Bó - Stanford Graduate School of Business and NBER)  
 "Term Length and Political Performance"  
**Discussant:** Claudio Ferraz, Instituto de Pesquisa Econômica Aplicada
  
- ❑ **João M P De Mello**- Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio de Janeiro, (Bernardo S Da Silveira – New York University)  
 "Campaign Advertising and Election Outcomes: Quasi-Natural Experiment Evidence from Gubernatorial Elections in Brazil"  
**Discussant:** Ernesto Dal Bó, Stanford Graduate School of Business and NBER

12.00-1.00 Lunch