

PIERRE BACHAS

EMPLOYMENT

The World Bank	Economist, Development Research Group (DECRG), Macro & Growth Unit	2017-
Princeton University	Postdoctoral Researcher, Department of Economics and Julius- Rabinowitz Center for Public Policy & Finance (JRCPPF)	2016-17

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley	Ph.D. Economics	2010-16
Dissertation Title: References:	“Tax Design Under Weak Enforcement” Professors Emmanuel Saez and Edward Miguel	
London School of Economics	MSc. Economics BSc. Economics	2009-10 2006-09

RESEARCH FIELDS:

Public Economics, Financial Inclusion, Development Economics

PUBLISHED AND FORTHCOMING PAPERS:

“Digital Financial Services Go a Long Way: Transaction Costs and Financial Inclusion” Forthcoming in the American Economic Association Papers and Proceedings. *with Paul Gertler, Sean Higgins and Enrique Seira*

WORKING PAPERS:

“How Debit Cards Enable the Poor to Save More” Under Review *with Paul Gertler, Sean Higgins and Enrique Seira*

“Size-Dependent Tax Enforcement and Compliance: Global Evidence and Aggregate Implications?” Under Review *with Anders Jensen and Roberto Fattal Jaef*

“Not(ch) Your Average Tax Rate: Corporate Taxation Under Weak Enforcement” *with Mauricio Soto*

“Bank Non-Secrecy: Taxation and Financial Service Use in Mexico” *with Anders Jensen and Sean Higgins*

SELECTED GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS:

EDI Research Grant: “Audit Selection under Weak Fiscal Capacity”	2017
Research Support Budget, World Bank: “Development Taxation and Inequality”	2017
Journal of Development Economics Award, UC Berkeley	2016
Center for Equitable Growth Fellowship, UC Berkeley	2015
Best Paper Award, Oxford’s Center for Business Taxation Doctoral Meeting	2014
Burch Center for Tax Policy Fellowship, International Growth Center Research Grant	
Young Economist Award, International Institute for Public Finance (IIPF) conference	2013
UC MEXUS Grant for research on Mexico, Tinker Summer Grant for research in Latin America	

INVITED SEMINARS AND PRESENTATIONS

UC San Diego	2018
ASSA Chicago, U. Michigan, PSE, U. de Barcelona, FDIC, U. of Zurich	2017
IADB Research, World Bank Research, Princeton, Pompeu Fabra, Toulouse School of Economics	2016
LMU Munich, Columbia, University of Zurich, Columbia U.	
UC Berkeley, NTA Boston, Université Paris II, Institute for Fiscal Studies, NEUDC Brown, DevPec Stanford	2015
UC Berkeley, Oxford CBT Doctoral Meeting ZEW Mannheim Public Finance Conference	2014
Visiting Researcher ITAM (Summer)	2013

REFEREEING ACTIVITY

Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Public Economics, AEJ Applied Economics, Economic Development & Cultural Change, International Tax and Public Finance

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Short Term Consultant, The World Bank Social Protection Division
Evaluation Coordinator, Innovations for Poverty Action, Kenya

2013
Summer 2011

OTHER INFORMATION:

Languages: French (native), Greek (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent)
Citizenship: France and Greece