

MARGINAL MEMOS

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Announcements

Announcing the Online Agricultural and Resource Economics Seminar

The seminar will be held on Wednesdays at 11 am Central US time.

Our first seminar will be held on May 6, 2020. Leah Bevis, from Ohio State, will be presenting her paper with Digvijay Singh Negi titled “Long-Term Nutrition Impacts of the Green Revolution in India.” Here is their abstract:

We examine the impact of the Green Revolution on nutritional status for the first time, as far as we know, in India – the poster-child for the Green Revolution. We additionally piece together multiple nationally representative datasets to examine the impacts of the Green Revolution on cropping patterns, crop prices, and consumption patterns. We find that the Green Revolution improved women’s height, though the benefit accrued largely to urban women. In rural areas, the Green Revolution increased acreage to rice and wheat, usurping acreage to coarse cereals and pulses. It also (marginally) increased rural prices of coarse cereals and pulses relative to rice and wheat, and (marginally) decreased rural consumption of coarse cereals and pulses relative to rice and wheat. While the Green Revolution positively impacted women’s health, a Green Revolution that had included high-yielding pulse varieties would have likely been even more beneficial, particularly in rural areas.

If you would like to register, see the OARES website [here](#), and make sure to sign up with your institutional address. The OARES website includes a schedule of forthcoming talks as well.

Jobs

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships: Euro-Mediterranean Centre on Climate Change Foundation

The goal of the Individual Fellowships is to enhance the creative and innovative potential of experienced researchers, wishing to diversify their individual competence in terms of skill

acquisition through advanced training, international and intersectoral mobility. Individual Fellowships provide opportunities to researchers of any nationality to acquire and transfer new knowledge and to work on research and innovation in Europe (EU Member States and Horizon 2020 Associated Countries) and beyond. The scheme particularly supports the return and (re)integration of European researchers from outside Europe and those who have previously worked here, as well as researchers displaced by conflict outside the EU and Horizon 2020 Associated Countries. It also promotes the career restart of individual researchers who show great potential.

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ERS Division Director: Kansas City, MO

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Social Scientist: IRS Pathways Recent Graduate Program

IRS Recent Graduates Program affords developmental experiences in the Federal Government intended to promote possible careers in the civil service to individuals who have recently graduated from qualifying educational institutions or programs. Selected applicants are placed in a dynamic, developmental program with the potential to lead to a civil service career in the Federal Government. In addition, the IRS implemented the new IRS Forward Recent Graduate Program that includes an additional year of formal development, training, networking, project teams, and may include rotational assignments.

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Departmental Publications

Larson, Ronald B. and Kinsey, Jean. "Discount Coupons in Rural Markets," in *Journal of Applied Business and Economics*, (2019), 21(6), 124-138.

Larson, Ronald B. and Kinsey, Jean. "Cultural and Sampling Issues with 'Green' Attitude Research," in *Social Marketing Quarterly*, (2019), 25(2), 91-106.



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