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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

National University of Singapore

- Associate Professor, Department of Economics (since 2013, tenured in 2019)
- Dean's Chair, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (2022-2028)
- Member, University Sustainability and Climate Action Council (since 2022)
- Principal Investigator, Bezos Centre for Sustainable Protein (since 2024)
- Research Affiliate, Sustainable and Green Finance Institute (since 2022)

Northwestern University

- Assistant Professor, Department of Strategy, Kellogg School of Management (2005-2013)
- Research Affiliate, Center for the Study of Industrial Organization (2005-2013)
- Affiliated Faculty Member, Transportation Center (2010-2013)

### EDITORIAL SERVICE

Co-editor, Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (JAERE)

- Since 2023

Member of the Editorial Council, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management (JEEM)

- Since 2021

### EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, London School of Economics, July 2005

- Research Affiliate at the Suntory-Toyota International Center for Economics (2001-2005)
- Advisee to Professors John Sutton and Peter Davis
- Thesis Title: "Price Competition, Mergers and Structural Estimation in Oligopoly"

MSc in Economics, London School of Economics, July 2000

- Gained *Distinction*

BEng in Industrial Engineering, University of São Paulo (EP-USP), 1995

- Ranked 3rd place among 550 students (*top 1%*) – Conde Armando Álvares Penteado Award, among others

## RESEARCH INTERESTS & CURRENT PROJECTS

Environmental & Energy Economics, Industrial Organization (Industrial Economics), and Applied Microeconomics in general.

I study how the behavior and incentives of economic actors, such as households, workers, and firms, interact with scarce and underpriced environmental resources, like climate, urban air, water, and land use.

My ongoing projects relate to public awareness of the climate crisis, personal emissions accountability, and individual climate action. I am testing whether non-judgmental and private disclosure of emissions to individuals, in their roles as consumers and workers, can shape environmental preferences and widen citizen support for climate investments. I am interested in education campaigns across different consumption domains such as protein food, private car travel, public transport, air travel, home energy, commercial electricity, and land use & forestry change.

In my view, a largely disengaged public is the mother of all gaps when it comes to solving the climate crisis, through attitudes and behaviors—climate citizenry—that enable the implementation of technological solutions, for example, by supporting some emissions pricing which can then induce innovation (the energy transition, the protein transition, effective green finance, and so on). As an economist, one is trained to focus on “first best” policies, such as carbon taxes, and some economists even question why individuals need to understand the climate damage from their own actions, for example, as consumers. “Just tax the bad stuff, they need not understand” goes the thinking. However, first-best carbon taxes can only happen if individuals are accepting of them, as global current affairs demonstrate.

As an environmental economist and behavioral social scientist, I collaborate across disciplines, including atmospheric sciences, food science & technology, environmental health, consumer psychology, marketing, transport engineering, and strategic communication. My work focuses on Asia’s under-studied and globally critical environment and society. I increasingly try to leave the ivory tower and do environmental advocacy work with partners in industry, civil society, and government.

Beyond NUS, I am a Co-editor at the Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists and a Member of the Editorial Council at the Journal of Environmental Economics and Management.

## PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH ARTICLES

### Environmental & Energy Economics

1. Li, H., H. Liu, A. Salvo, and R. Simorangkir (2025). “Heat Impacts College Student Grades Even in Rich Singapore,” *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, forthcoming, DOI 10.1016/j.jebo.2025.107244
2. Fesselmeier, E., H. Liu, A. Salvo, and R. Simorangkir (2024). “Heat and Observed Economic Activity in the Rich Urban Tropics,” *Economic Journal*, 134(664), pp. 3445-3460, DOI 10.1093/ej/ueae046
3. Salvo, A., Q. Tang, J. Yang, P. Yin, and M. Zhou (2024). “Fine-particulate Air Pollution and Behaviorally Inclusive Mortality Impacts of China’s Winter Heating Policy, 2013-2018,” *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, 124, 102945, DOI 10.1016/j.jeem.2024.102945
4. Liu, H., J. Lu, and A. Salvo (2023). “Willingness to Fight on: Environmental Quality in Dynamic Contests,” *RAND Journal of Economics*, 54(2), pp. 189-239, DOI 10.1111/1756-2171.12435
5. Chew, S. H., H. Liu, and A. Salvo (2021). “Adversity-Hope Hypothesis: Air Pollution Raises Daily Lottery Demand in China,” *Journal of Risk and Uncertainty*, 62, pp. 247-280, DOI 10.1007/s11166-021-09353-w
6. Fesselmeier, E., H. Liu, and A. Salvo (2021). “Declining Discount Rates in Singapore’s Market for Privately Developed Apartments,” *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, 37(2), pp. 330-350, DOI 10.1002/jae.2867

7. Chu, J., H. Liu, and A. Salvo (2020). "Air Pollution as a Determinant of Food Delivery and Related Plastic Waste," *Nature Human Behaviour*, 5, pp. 212-220, DOI 10.1038/s41562-020-00961-1
8. Salvo, A. (2020). "Local Pollution as a Determinant of Residential Electricity Demand," *Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists*, 7(5), pp. 837-872, DOI 10.1086/709533
  - This paper won the Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists' *Best Paper Award for 2020*, awarded by the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists
9. Fong, L. S., A. Salvo and D. Taylor (2020). "Evidence of the Environmental Kuznets Curve for Atmospheric Pollutant Emissions in Southeast Asia and Implications for Sustainable Development: A Spatial Econometric Approach," *Sustainable Development*, 28(5), pp. 1441-1456, DOI 10.1002/sd.2097
  - L. S. Fong and D. Taylor are geographers
10. He, J., H. Liu and A. Salvo (2019). "Severe Air Pollution and Labor Productivity: Evidence from Industrial Towns in China," *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 11(1), pp. 173-201, DOI 10.1257/app.20170286
11. He, J., N. Gouveia and A. Salvo (2019). "External Effects of Diesel Trucks Circulating inside the São Paulo Megacity," *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 17(3), pp. 947-989, DOI 10.1093/jeaa/jvy015
  - N. Gouveia is an epidemiologist
12. Salvo, A. (2018). "Electrical Appliances Moderate Households' Water Demand Response to Heat," *Nature Communications*, 9(5408), pp.1-14, DOI 10.1038/s41467-018-07833-3
  - Nature Communications' 2017 impact factor is 12.4 (compare to Nature's 41.6 and PNAS' 9.4)
13. Liu, H. and A. Salvo (2018). "Severe Air Pollution and Child Absences When Schools and Parents Respond," *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, 92, pp. 300-330, DOI 10.1016/j.jeem.2018.10.003
14. Salvo, A. (2018). "Flexible Fuel Vehicles, Less Flexible Minded Consumers: Price Information Experiments at the Pump," *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, 92, pp. 194-221, DOI 10.1016/j.jeem.2018.08.016
15. Salvo, A.\*, J. Brito, P. Artaxo and F. M. Geiger (2017). "Reduced Ultrafine Particle Levels in São Paulo's Atmosphere during Shifts from Gasoline to Ethanol Use," *Nature Communications*, 8(77), pp. 1-14, DOI 10.1038/s41467-017-00041-5 (\*PI and corresponding author)
  - J. Brito and P. Artaxo are atmospheric physicists, F. M. Geiger is an atmospheric chemist
  - Nature Communications' 2017 impact factor is 12.4 (compare to Nature's 41.6 and PNAS' 9.4)
16. Salvo, A. and Y. Wang (2017). "Ethanol-Blended Gasoline Policy and Ozone Pollution in São Paulo," *Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists*, 4(3), pp. 731-794, DOI 10.1086/691996
17. Salvo, A.\* and F. M. Geiger (2014). "Reduction in Local Ozone Levels in Urban São Paulo Due to a Shift from Ethanol to Gasoline Use," *Nature Geoscience*, 7(6), pp. 450-458, DOI 10.1038/ngeo2144 (\*PI and corresponding author)
  - Cover-page article, also featured in the accompanying "News and Views" article by S. Madronich (2014). "Atmospheric Chemistry: Ethanol and Ozone," *Nature Geoscience*, 7(6), pp. 395-397
  - F. M. Geiger and S. Madronich are atmospheric chemists
  - Nature Geoscience's 2017 impact factor is 14.4 (compare to Nature's 41.6 and PNAS' 9.4)
18. Salvo, A. and C. Huse (2013). "Build It, But Will They Come? Evidence from Consumer Choice between Gasoline and Sugarcane Ethanol," *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, 66(2), pp. 251-279, DOI 10.1016/j.jeem.2013.04.001
19. Salvo, A. and C. Huse (2011). "Is Arbitrage Tying the Price of Ethanol to that of Gasoline? Evidence from the Uptake of Flexible-Fuel Technology," *Energy Journal*, 32(3), pp. 119-148, DOI 10.5547/ISSN0195-6574-EJ-Vol32-No3-5

## Industrial Organization

20. Eizenberg, A. and A. Salvo (2015). “The Rise of Fringe Competitors in the Wake of an Emerging Middle Class: An Empirical Analysis,” *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 7(3), pp. 85-122, DOI 10.1257/app.20130104
21. Deltas, G., A. Salvo and H. Vasconcelos (2012). “Consumer-Surplus-Enhancing Collusion and Trade,” *RAND Journal of Economics*, 43(2), pp. 315-328, DOI 10.1111/j.1756-2171.2012.00167.x
22. Salvo, A. (2010). “Inferring Market Power under the Threat of Entry: The Case of the Brazilian Cement Industry,” *RAND Journal of Economics*, 41(2), pp. 326-350, DOI 10.1111/j.1756-2171.2010.00102.x
  - A manuscript version won an *Antitrust Policy Award* from the Brazilian Ministry of Finance in 2007.
23. Salvo, A. (2010). “Trade Flows in a Spatial Oligopoly: Gravity Fits Well, But What Does it Explain?,” *Canadian Journal of Economics*, 43(1), pp. 63-96, DOI 10.1111/j.1540-5982.2009.01564.x
  - This paper won the *Robert Mundell prize* for the best article by a young economist published in 2010 in the Canadian Journal of Economics, awarded by the Canadian Economics Association.
24. Salvo, A. (2010). “Sequential Cross-border Mergers in Models of Oligopoly,” *Economica*, 77(306), pp. 352-383, DOI 10.1111/j.1468-0335.2008.00754.x
25. Salvo, A. (2009). “Cut-throat Fringe Competition in an Emerging Country Market: Tax Evasion or the Absence of Market Power?,” *Journal of Industrial Economics*, 57(4), pp. 677-711, DOI 10.1111/j.1467-6451.2009.00400.x
  - This paper won a *Young Economists’ Essay Award* from the European Association for Research in Industrial Economics (in 2007).

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

[OMITTED]

## PUBLISHED BOOK CHAPTERS, POLICY PAPERS, AND TEACHING ARTICLES

1. Deltas, G., A. Salvo and H. Vasconcelos (2012). “Social-Welfare-Enhancing Collusion and Trade.” In: *Recent Advances in the Analysis of Competition Policy and Regulation*, edited by Joseph E. Harrington, Yannis Katsoulacos, and Pierre Regibeau, pp. 140-160, DOI 10.4337/9781781005699.00013. Edward Elgar Publishing
2. Salvo, A. (2008). “A Cautionary Note on the Applicability of the Bresnahan-Lau Framework.” *Revista de Direito da Concorrência*, 18 (special edition on cartels), pp. 11-59 [In Portuguese, prepared for the Administrative Council for Economic Defense—CADE, Brazilian Ministry of Justice]
3. Huse, C. and A. Salvo (2006). “Estimation and Identification of Demand and Supply.” In: *Quantitative Methods Applied to Antitrust and Regulation*, edited by Eduardo P. S. Fiuza and Ronaldo Seroa da Motta (Instituto de Pesquisa Econômica Aplicada, IPEA), pp. 23-151. Brasília: SDE (Ministry of Justice) [In Portuguese]
4. Salvo, A. and D. F. Spulber (2006). “Cemex: International Market Maker in Cement.” *Journal of Strategic Management Education*, 3, pp. 1-24

## DORMANT PROJECTS

1. “Cash-Constrained Households and Product Size,” with Tiago Pires, Working Paper

## TEACHING POSITIONS AND RECOGNITION

### Undergraduate

“Environmental Economics & Policy” and “Environmental Economics”, Department of Economics, National University of Singapore, since 2013

- Nominated for “Best Teaching” by 189 out of 518 (36%) students who completed evaluations over nine years (total enrollment: 846)
- Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Teaching Excellence Award, NUS, 2023
- Economics Department Excellent Teacher Award, NUS, 2020

“Microeconomic Principles II,” Department of Economics, London School of Economics, 2000/01 to 2002/03, as a Teaching Assistant to Professor Frank Cowell

- Recipient of the Department of Economics Quality Teaching Award in two of the three years taught (2000/01, 2002/03)

### PhD

“Economics of the Environment” and “Empirical Industrial Organization,” Department of Economics, National University of Singapore, since 2013

- Nominated for “Best Teaching” by 15 out of 23 (65%) students who completed evaluations (total enrollment: 25). Students did not complete evaluations in 2014/15 and 2015/16.

### MBA

“International Business Strategy,” Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University, 2006-2013

- Nominee for Kellogg’s L. G. Lavengood Outstanding Professor of the Year Award in four of the eight years taught (2006/07, 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11)
- A distinction in the form of a letter from Kellogg’s Dean in August 2011 placing my “overall performance (in the) top 20 percent among all Kellogg faculty for the Spring Quarter of 2011 as measured by the Teacher-Course Evaluations.”

### Summer Course

“Industrial Organization and Antitrust Policy,” London School of Economics, 2003-2005

- After the first year as a Teaching Assistant to Professor Roman Inderst, I was offered a position as a lecturer for the two subsequent years.

## HONORS, AWARDS, GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

### Only \$ amounts for research budgets that I oversee (and that can be publicized) are listed

2025-28	Dean’s Chair in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, NUS
2024-29	Lead PI for the Consumer Behavior and Communications platform, Bezos Centre for Sustainable Protein at NUS. Amount: SG\$ 600,000
2024-25	PI, Lloyd’s Register Foundation Institute for the Public Understanding of Risk (IPUR) Seed Fund. Project: “Gamifying and carbon scoring urban mobility for a greener Singapore: A randomized control trial.” Amount: SG\$ 20,000
2023	Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Teaching Excellence Award, NUS
2023-24	PI, Humanities and Social Sciences Seed Fund. Project: “Reducing the carbon content in food through a mix of climate-health information and pricing incentives: Field experiments in local consumer markets.” Amount: SG\$ 40,000
2022-25	Dean’s Chair in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, NUS
2022-25	Co-I, Singapore Food Story R&D Programme. Project: “Consumers’ risk perceptions, rational, and implicit considerations in alternative protein acceptance behaviors.” PI: May Lwin, Nanyang Technological University.
2022-27	Collaborator, Singaporean Ministry of Education Social Science Research Council. Project: “Climate Governance of Nature-based Carbon Sinks in Southeast Asia.” PI: David Taylor, Geography.

2021	Best Paper Award for 2020 (Ralph C. d'Arge and Allen V. Kneese Award for Outstanding Publication), Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists
2020	Economics Department Excellent Teacher Award, NUS
2020-23	PI, Singaporean Ministry of Education Academic Research Fund Tier 1. Project: "Measuring Commuter Preference for Electric Buses." Amount: SG\$ 168,426.
2019-22	PI, Singaporean Ministry of Education Academic Research Fund Tier 1. Project: "How Do Weather Shocks Impact Singaporeans?" Amount: SG\$ 125,025.
2019	"Sustainability" award in recognition of research conducted on this theme, Society of Automotive Engineers, Brazilian branch
2017-22	Collaborator, Singaporean Ministry of Education Social Science Research Council. Project: "Sustainable governance of transboundary environmental commons in Southeast Asia." PIs: David Taylor and Jonathan Rigg, Geography.
2017-20	Collaborator, Singaporean Ministry of Education Academic Research Fund Tier 1. Project: "Economic growth and environmental quality in a tropical Asian megacity." PI: David Taylor, Geography.
2016-19	Collaborator, Singaporean Ministry of Education Academic Research Fund Tier 2. Project: "New evaluation of the socio-ecological impacts of global agricultural trade." PI: Roman Carrasco, Biological Science.
2015-18	PI, Singaporean Ministry of Education Academic Research Fund Tier 1. Project: "Slow household adoption of air conditioning by abating local air pollution." Amount: SG\$ 67,000.
2015-17	co-PI, Singaporean Ministry of Education Academic Research Fund Tier 1. Project: "Severe outdoor air pollution and indoor labor productivity." Amount: SG\$ 110,000.
2015-16	PI, Humanities and Social Sciences Seed Fund. Project: "Air pollution and physiological and behavioral drivers of school absences: Evidence from schools in China." Amount: SG\$ 36,000.
2014-15	PI, Singaporean Ministry of Education Academic Research Fund Tier 1. Project: "Exploiting the 2008/09 trade fluctuation to assess air quality in the Pearl River Delta." Amount: SG\$ 85,371.
2013-16	National University of Singapore, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Start-up Grant. Project: "Air and ground traffic, meteorology, air pollution and public health in the megacity of São Paulo." Amount: SG\$ 60,000.
2011-13	PI, Research Booster Grant, Initiative for Sustainability and Energy at Northwestern University, matching funds by the General Motors Research Center for Strategy in Management, the Center for Research in Technology & Innovation, and the Zell Center for Risk Research. Project: "Fuel mix and air quality." Amount: US\$ 111,320.
2011	Robert Mundell prize for the best article in the Canadian Journal of Economics in 2010 by a young economist
2007	Young Economists' Essay Award. European Association for Research in Industrial Economics, EARIE
2007	Antitrust Policy Essay Award, 3 <sup>rd</sup> place. SEAE, Ministry of Finance, Brazil
2003	Quality Teaching Award. Department of Economics, London School of Economics
2001-2004	CAPES Research Fellowship. Ministry of Education, Brazil
2001	Quality Teaching Award. Department of Economics, London School of Economics
2000-2001	LSE Research Fellowship. Department of Economics, London School of Economics
1999	Winner (Top 5%) of the European Campus Competition. Barclays Capital, Europe
1999-2000	British Chevening Scholarship. Foreign & Commonwealth Office, UK
1994	Conde Armando Álvares Penteado Award for 3 <sup>rd</sup> Rank in the School. EP-USP, São Paulo
1994	Otto Ruprecht Bekman Award for Best Dissertation in the Department. EP-USP, São Paulo
1994	Gastão Vidigal Award to Top Economics Student. GV Foundation for Economic Research, São Paulo
1993	Unibanco Award for Academic Distinction. Unibanco Bank, São Paulo
1991-1994	Garantia Award for Academic Distinction. Garantia Investment Bank, São Paulo

## VISITORSHIPS

Yale School of Management, Yale University  
- July 2009 - June 2010

## RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS & INVITED WORKSHOPS

- 2025 Joint Economics Symposium of Six Leading East Asian Universities on Climate Change, Human Capital, and Economic Development in Asia (NUS), Bezos Centre for Sustainable Protein at NUS (Inaugural Workshop on the Social Science of the Protein Transition), Multidisciplinary symposium on Empowering Consumers for Health Outcomes (University of Melbourne, Marketing), University of Melbourne (Economics), NUS Asia Research Institute (Food Politics and Society research cluster), Agency for Science, Technology and Research (A\*STAR) Institute of High Performance Computing (conference on Consumer Acceptance of Future Foods in APAC), NUS Institute for Public Understanding of Risk (Individual Climate Action Collaboration workshop), Master's Tea Series (College of Alice and Peter Tan at NUS), [planned] University of Miami (Economics), Northwestern University (Transportation Center), Georgia Tech (Economics), Università di Roma Tor Vergata (Economia e Finanza), Università di Bologna (Scienze Economiche), Centre for Nature-based Climate Solutions (NUS)
- 2024 Bridging Transportation Researchers (BTR#6) Online Conference, Fundação Getulio Vargas (EESP), Institute for the Public Understanding of Risk (research keynote @ NUS Sustainability CONNECT), Hong Kong University Beijing Center/Tsinghua University (4th Environmental Economics Frontier Research Forum)
- 2023 Conference on Energy and the Environment (ZEW, University of Mannheim), Behavioral Economics workshop (NUS), Hong Kong University Beijing Center/Tsinghua University (3th Environmental Economics Frontier Research Forum), Jinan University (Institute for Economic and Social Research), JEEM special issue conference (Hong Kong University)
- 2021-22 (All virtual) University of Miami, University of Oldenburg, Insper Institute, Toulouse School of Economics, Asia Pacific Industrial Organization Conference (APIOC)
- 2019 Allied Social Sciences Associations meetings, Western Economic Association International Conference (Keio University), Environment and Climate Workshop (Peking University), Jinan University (Institute for Economic and Social Research), Economics of Energy and Climate Conference (University of Toulouse), University of Manitoba, University of Ottawa, Cornell University
- 2018 Allied Social Sciences Associations meetings, Economics of Energy, Environment and Climate Workshop (Peking University), IZA Environment and Labor Markets Workshop, World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Brookings Tsinghua Center Conference, Economics of Low-Carbon Markets Workshop (University of São Paulo)
- 2017 Allied Social Sciences Associations meetings, Duke University, University of California at Santa Barbara, Singapore Economic Policy Forum, University of California at Davis, Economics of Low-Carbon Markets Workshop (University of São Paulo), Policy Forum on Ozone Pollution Control (University of São Paulo with CETESB)
- 2016 National ChengChi University, Hitotsubashi University, Economics of Low-Carbon Markets Workshop (University of São Paulo)
- 2015 Allied Social Sciences Associations meetings, NBER China Spring Meeting, Columbia University, Workshop on Energy Policy and Environmental Economics at Yale University, University of Chicago (EPIC), Conference of the Association of Environmental and Resources Economists, Frontiers of Behavioral Economics (Energy, Environment and Public Services panel), Society for Risk Analysis World Congress, University of Melbourne
- 2014 Allied Social Sciences Associations meetings, International Workshop on Regional Air Quality Management in Rapidly Developing Economic Regions (HKUST), NTU Environmental Workshop
- 2013 Allied Social Sciences Associations meetings, Yale-NUS College, INSEAD, National University of Singapore (joint Economics Dept/Business School), University of Massachusetts at Amherst, Workshop on Energy Policy and Environmental Economics (Cornell University), Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society (NUS), Chinese University of Hong Kong
- 2012 State of São Paulo's Environmental Authority (CETESB), Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Advanced Research Projects Agency—Energy Workshop, Energy Institute at UC Berkeley, Northwestern University (Kellogg Marketing), Northwestern-Toulouse Conference, Energy Camp at UC Berkeley, NBER Summer Institute—IO (new format, co-author presented), Marketing Science Emerging Markets Conference (Wharton), Meetings of the Brazilian Econometric Society, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology
- 2011 Allied Social Sciences Associations meetings, Northwestern University (Transportation Center), Columbia University (Economics/GSB), University of California-Berkeley Bioeconomy Conference, International

- Industrial Organization Conference, Iowa State Bioenergy Camp, North American Summer Meetings of the Econometric Society, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (ACE)
- 2010 Yale University (International Trade), Illinois Economics Association (DePaul University)
- 2009 Utah Winter Business Economics Conference, International Industrial Organization Conference (Northeastern University), Yale University (Summer Applied Micro Workshop), Yale School of Management (Faculty Seminar—Visitor)
- 2008 Brazilian Antitrust Authority (CADE), International Industrial Organization Conference, Canadian Economics Association (UBC), K.U. Leuven, Southern Economic Association
- 2007 Allied Social Sciences Associations meetings, Purdue University, UC at Berkeley, International Industrial Organization Conference (Georgia Tech), DePaul University, NBER Summer Institute—IO (Discussant: Mark Roberts), EARIE (University of Valencia), Washington University (Olin)
- 2006 Meetings of the Brazilian Econometric Society, Institute for Applied Economic Research (IPEA), Carnegie Mellon University (Heinz/Tepper), EARIE (University of Amsterdam), North American Summer Meetings of the Econometric Society (University of Minnesota), International Industrial Organization Conference (Northeastern University)
- 2005 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Institute for Fiscal Studies, Fundação Getulio Vargas (EESP and EPGE), PUC Rio, Brazilian Antitrust Authorities (CADE and SDE), Northwestern University (Kellogg), Northeastern University, NYU Stern, UBC Sauder, University of Warwick, Università Bocconi, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
- 2004 Meetings of the Brazilian Econometric Society, London School of Economics

## REFEREEING ACTIVITIES

Referee for *American Economic Review*; *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*; *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*; *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*; *Brazilian Review of Econometrics*; *China Economic Review*; *Cities & Health*; *Economica*; *Economic Inquiry*; *Economic Journal*; *Economics Bulletin*; *Energy Journal*; *Environmental Science & Technology*; *European Economic Review*; *Information Economics and Policy*; *International Journal of Industrial Organization*; *International Tax and Public Finance*; *Journal of Applied Econometrics*; *Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists*; *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*; *Journal of Economics and Management Strategy*; *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*; *Journal of the European Economic Association*; *Journal of Human Resources*; *Journal of Industrial Economics*; *Journal of the Japanese and International Economies*; *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization*; *Journal of Political Economy*; *Journal of Public Economics*; *Land Economics*; *National Science Foundation*; *Oxford Economic Papers*; *Quarterly Journal of Economics*; *RAND Journal of Economics*; *Review of Economics Studies*; *Review of Environmental Economics and Policy*; *Review of Industrial Organization*; *Singapore Ministry of Education*; *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada*; *Southern Economic Journal*; *Sustainability*; *Transportation Research Part D: Transport and Environment*

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

Advisor to Post-doctoral fellows:

Rhita Simorangkir (2019-2021, NUS)

Jiaxiu He (2013-2016, Northwestern and NUS), Post-doctoral fellow at the Ivey School of Business, University of Western Ontario

Advisor to PhD students:

Zhihao Han (2022-, NUS)

Hongyan Li (2019-2023, NUS), NUS Energy Studies Institute

Ziqiu Ye (2015-2020, NUS), University of International Business and Economics

Duong Hai Long (2013-2017, NUS), Post-doctoral fellow at NUS Business School (under bond requirement to remain in Singapore)

Wang Yi (2013-2017, NUS), NUS Saw Swee Hock School of Public Health



#### University/Departmental Service

2022-: Member of the University Sustainability and Climate Action Council, NUS  
2024-: Member, Faculty Promotion and Tenure Committee I, NUS FASS  
2025-: Principal Investigator, Bezos Centre for Sustainable Protein at NUS  
2022-: Research Affiliate, Sustainable and Green Finance Institute, NUS  
2021-, 2014-2016: Research Committee (Chair since 2021), NUS Economics  
2020-2025: Associate Director, Global Asia Institute, NUS  
2021-2024: Deputy Head (Research), NUS Economics  
2020-2022: Program Committee, MSc Environmental Management, NUS, FASS Representative  
2019-2020: Senior Search Committee, NUS Economics  
2018-2020, 2015-2016: Junior Search Committee, NUS Economics  
2014-2020: Singapore Centre for Applied and Policy Economics (SCAPE), NUS Economics  
2014-2020: Environment Research Cluster Steering Committee, NUS  
2019-2020: Acting Chairperson to the Environment Research Cluster Steering Committee, NUS  
2014-2018: Examination Matters Committee, Level 3000/Applied Economics Coordinator, NUS Economics  
2008-2009, 2011-2012: Co-organizer of the Strategy seminar, Northwestern Kellogg

Co-Editor, Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (JAERE), 2023-

Member of the Editorial Council, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management (JEEM), 2021-

Pan Asia Pacific Sustainability Initiative, University of Wisconsin-Madison, External affiliated faculty, 2023-

Cornell Institute for China Economic Research, Cornell University, External affiliated faculty member, 2018-2020

Co-organized “Small Steps, Big Impact: Individual Climate Action Collaboration Workshop” with NUS Institute for Public Understanding of Risk, 2025

Organized the “Inaugural Workshop on the Social Science of the Protein Transition” for the new Bezos Centre for Sustainable Protein at NUS, 2025

Organized and chaired a “Special Session” on “Climate Damage from Aviation & Pricing & Non-Pricing Approaches to Mitigate Damage” at the 6th Bridging Transportation Researchers (BTR#6) Online Conference, held in 2024. The session unusually bridged both the climate science and the policy/human behavior perspective regarding a key economic sector that accounts for a fast-growing share of anthropogenic emissions.

Member of the Selection Committee for: the Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society 2023; the Economics of Low-Carbon Markets Workshops 2013-2019 & 2023, the Meeting of the Brazilian Econometric Society 2006.

Organized a “Symposium” on “Environmental and Energy Economics and Policy: Local and Global Pollution and Health” at the 27<sup>th</sup> Conference of the International Society for Environmental Epidemiology, held in São Paulo in 2015.

Advisor and Instructor to the Brazilian Government on Antitrust Policy

2004-2006: Secretariat for Economic Law (SDE, Ministry of Justice)

2007-2008: Administrative Council for Economic Defense (CADE, Ministry of Justice)

#### **SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE OF MY RESEARCH**

South China Morning Post, 8/1/2025, by Jean Lau: Chinese EVs are making inroads in Singapore. Here’s why  
CNA938, The Wellness Hour with Cheryl Goh (live lunchtime radio interview), 6/17/2025: How heat affects education and, flipping that concern, how can education affect the heat?

Channel NewsAsia, 5/30/2025, by Lorraine Lee: 'Too hot to think': Rising heat leaves Singapore students cranky and distracted

Straits Times, 4/22/2025, by Lee Nian Tjoe, EVs account for over 40% of new car sales in Singapore in Q1 2025

Lianhe Zaobao, 3/8/2025, by Chua Wei Qian: 去年家庭每日人均用水量略增 公用局将

NUS News, 2/26/2025, Meaty issues: Navigating the challenges of a climate-friendly diet

TODAY, 5/18/2024, by Nikki Yeo: As temperatures rise, low-income families in rental units struggle to beat the heat

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Procter & Gamble, Brazil, 1995-1999. Work covered competitive strategy, pricing, consumer demand, and transport.  
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