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Labor Share and Inequality in Latin America and the Caribbean

The decline of labor's share of income in developed countries and its potential links with growing inequality have received considerable attention in the academic literature. Much less is known about the functional distribution of income in Latin America and the Caribbean (LAC). What are the shares of rents, wages, interest, and profits in Latin American countries? How do they relate to inter-personal inequality?

This Research Network project will increase our understanding of the levels and trends of the labor share across countries, sectors, and firms in LAC, shedding new light on the factors behind its recent evolution and establishing links with inter-personal inequality.

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