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SHORT BIO

Juan de Dios Tena Horrillo is an economist specialising in sports economics, applied econometrics, and policy evaluation. He holds a PhD from the University of Newcastle upon Tyne and has held academic and research positions across Europe and Latin America. His work applies rigorous empirical methods—particularly causal inference and quasi-experimental designs—to evaluate policies and behaviours in the areas of health, education, and sport. He actively collaborates with international research teams and supervises PhD students working on topics related to public policy, sports management, and performance analysis.

CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS

Causal inference and applied econometrics, Education and health economics, Sports economics (particularly football, performance, and decision-making), Public policy evaluation

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS & WPs

Guan, J., Tena, J.D., Forthcoming. [On the importance of internet access for children's health and subjective well-being: the case of China](#). Applied Economics 0, 1–13.

Narita, K., Tena, J.D., Detotto, C., 2023. [Causal inference with observational data: A tutorial on propensity score analysis](#). The Leadership Quarterly 34, 101678.

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