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Queridos socios y amigos de la BritishSpanish Society:

Como Embajador de España en el Reino Unido y presidente de honor de la BritishSpanish Society es una gran satisfacción anunciar el 10º aniversario del programa de becas de la Charity.

Personalmente, estoy muy orgulloso del gran trabajo de la BritishSpanish Society estrechando lazos entre las gentes del Reino Unido y España a través del conocimiento y la cultura.

Aprovecho esta oportunidad para agradecer al presidente de la BritishSpanish Society, la junta directiva y el comité ejecutivo por el inestimable valor de su trabajo voluntario y al gran número de socios, instituciones y entidades corporativas que hacen posible este estimulante proyecto.

Es una satisfacción acoger la ceremonia de entrega de becas de la BritishSpanish Society cada año en mi residencia en Londres, siguiendo la tradición de mis antecesores. He sido testigo de un impresionante despliegue de talento en un gran rango de especialidades, humanidades, ciencia y tecnología. La extensión del impacto alcanzado por el programa de becas de la Charity es incalculable y los proyectos becados han permitido reforzar lazos personales, institucionales, académicos, científicos y sociales.

Confío en que esta gran familia británico-española de socios, instituciones y entidades corporativas unidos por el interés común de construir puentes de entendimiento, continuará creciendo año tras año, consolidando lazos de unión cada vez más fuertes entre las gentes de ambos países.

Me despido deseando dar la bienvenida a los futuros socios y entidades patrocinadoras de la BritishSpanish Society, al tiempo que hacemos posible nuevas becas, impulsando la carrera de expertos en diversos campos, con un denominador común, la pasión por todo lo español y británico.

Cordialmente,



Carlos Bastarreche
Embajador de España en el Reino Unido





BritishSpanish Society Scholarship Fund

From the Chairman

The BritishSpanish Society's scholarship programme is one of the main fund-raising activities of our charity and one which we are justifiably proud of on its 10th anniversary.

The programme has evolved as our core charitable activity, underlying our mission of promoting and strengthening ties of cultural and educational understanding between the peoples of Britain and Spain.

Since its inception in 2008, the BritishSpanish Society has had the pleasure of awarding many post-graduate students. Thanks to the generosity of our principal corporate supporters, individual donations, and the hard work of our volunteers and selection team, the programme has attracted high caliber candidates from leading universities in Spain and the UK. Their cutting-edge projects, several of them involving international teams, have produced exemplary research and innovation, and have at their core the objective of providing benefits to our societies and to the common good.

We live in a challenging world but we draw strength and faith from the commitment of our supporters and students building bridges of understanding, and the BritishSpanish Society is working at its best with a programme that promotes knowledge, creativity, and innovation.

Thank you for your help. We hugely value it.

Jimmy Burns Marañón, OBE
Chairman-BritishSpanish Society

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Dr. Marian Jiménez-Riesco,
Trustee and Coordinator of the BritishSpanish Society Grants Committee

Cuando en 1916 se creó la British-SpanishSociety (antiguamente Anglo-Spanish Society), uno de sus principales objetivos fué tender puentes de cooperación entre ambos países. Junto a las acciones dirigidas a reforzar las actividades económicas, las iniciativas culturales ocuparon un puesto destacado.

Cien años después, la BSS sigue en el mismo camino de refuerzo de aquellos aspectos culturales que acercan a ambos países. Nuestro programa de becas es el mejor ejemplo de cómo, a través de la cultura, la ciencia, las humanidades, las artes, la innovación, etc., países con diversas tradiciones pueden encontrar puntos de encuentro y diálogo. William Shakespeare y Miguel de Cervantes dan testimonio no sólo de la gran aportación al avance del conocimiento universal realizado desde España y el Reino Unido, sino de cómo la cultura genera alta rentabilidad a los países. El programa de becas de la BSS aspira a seguir apostando por el talento que contribuya, al igual que nuestros ilustres antepasados, al avance de la humanidad. Para ello, la generosidad de las empresas que apuestan por financiar las becas es fundamental. A todas ellas nuestro más profundo agradecimiento por seguir formando parte de la institución y por su apoyo incondicional.

Desde el año 2012 he tenido el honor de estar al frente del programa de becas de la Charity. Desde entonces ha ido evolucionando para adaptarse a los nuevos tiempos consiguiendo que, año tras año, sea más transparente y equitativo. En 2012 introdujimos nuevos criterios de evaluación, acercándonos así a los usados por el programa Ciencia Excelente de la Comisión Europea. Por otro lado, algunos proyectos de investigación que se han presentado para la obtención de una de nuestras becas pueden plantear debates éticos. Con el fin de asegurarnos que los proyectos que apoyamos cumplen unos estándares éticos básicos y que protegen no sólo al ser humano, sino que también lo hacen con los animales y el medio ambiente, otra de las novedades introducidas es que los solicitantes de nuestras becas deben aceptar nuestro *Ethical-Research Conduct*.

Mi fuerte compromiso con este proyecto no es sólo porque yo recibí una de las becas y pude comprobar cómo me abría las puertas del mundo académico británico, sino porque creo firmemente que la I+D+I es la única forma de seguir construyendo ciudadanos libres con espíritu crítico. En momentos de incertidumbre, de crisis y crispaciones políticas, la cultura es un faro que nos ilumina y nos guía.

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One of the many honours associated with being Her Britannic Majesty's Ambassador to Spain over the last five years has been to serve as Honorary Vice President of the British Spanish Society and indeed to host receptions for the Society and its members these last couple of years in Madrid.

The UK's relationship with Spain is wider and deeper than that with almost any other European ally and at the heart of those ties lie the educational and cultural links between our two great nations. The British Spanish Society has been nurturing those links for over a century, from the darkest days of the First World War. The Society's scholarship programme, ten years old this year, has taken that effort to a whole new level, offering practical support to a generation of talented young academics whose innovative and insightful work has furthered our understanding of the world and reinforced the human ties between our universities and those who work within them. Let me pay fulsome tribute to the generosity of the many sponsors who have made these scholarships possible. I look forward to celebrating their contribution, and that of the scholars themselves, at the Gala Dinner.

Simon J. Manley CMG
HM Ambassador

PRESENTATION

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The BritishSpanish Society is a registered charity and a non-political organization founded in 1916 by a group of British people whose purpose was to extend a hand of cultural friendship to Spain in the middle of the politically challenging circumstances of the First World War. In 2016 we celebrate our 100th Anniversary.

Our constitutional objective is to educate the people of the United Kingdom and Spain about each other and to promote cultural relationships and a mutual understanding between both countries.

Today, we are a growing organization with over 900 members. Our membership profile is very diverse and captures a broad section of British people with an interest in Spain as well as Spaniards living and working in the United Kingdom. We are becoming increasingly important in encouraging the social and cultural links between British and Spanish people.

The Society's activities revolve around the Events Programme, a Scholarship Programme and the publication of La Revista, our quarterly magazine. Our funding relies on membership fees, funds raised from events and contributions from corporate and institutional sponsors.

La Revista is one of the most tangible benefits we offer to our members. It is the flagship of the Society and it forges our identity through covering topics of interest to our membership, events we organize, helping us recruit new members and serving as a promotional platform for our corporate supporters. Circulation has increased from 1,000 to 3,500 in the last 18 months and we plan to continue growing to match interest in the Society.

As a registered charity, a Board of Trustees chaired by Jimmy Burns Marañón leads us, with support from an Executive Council. Both teams provide a solid institutional governance framework. Dame Denise Holt and Sir Stephen Wright, both former British Ambassadors to Spain, preceded Jimmy Burns Marañón as chairs. Three enthusiastic part time members of staff and highly committed volunteers support all of our activities.

Our fund-raising events range from social networking evenings and classical concerts to private art gallery viewings, conferences, and visits to the Houses of Parliament. In April 2016, and marking the centenary of the BritishSpanish Society, we hosted a Gala dinner at the Dorchester Hotel in London with over four hundred guests, and amongst them Queen Sophia of Spain and HRH the Duke of York as honorary special guests.

During the last ten years, the BritishSpanish Society – formerly known as AngloSpanish Society – has awarded more than seventy postgraduate students (54 scholarships + 17 bursaries) in their pursuing of their projects and studies with the help of different corporate supporters. The majority of them are PhD candidates, with a few of them still at master's level, mainly of Spanish nationality. Their studies focus mainly on medicine (12), history (11), engineering (9), literature and linguistics (9), music (9), politics and economics (6), with minor representation from other disciplines such as architecture and urban planning, physics, chemistry, biological sciences, marine archaeology, mathematics, international relations, sociology and anthropology, philosophy, law, film and drama studies.

Our long-lasting principal supporters have been Telefónica, BBVA and Santander Universities, as well as Ferrovial, who supported our Scholarship Programme until 2016. We are immensely proud of the fact that we have acquired three new Principal Supporters since 2016: Mahou San Miguel focusing on gastronomic projects, Plastic Energy on projects related to different areas such as life cycle analysis or environmental protection and Sabadell Fundación for the arts and humanities. It is important to remember the kind and generous financial contribution of former Principal and Corporate Supporters BUPA and Cuatrecasas Gonçalves Pereira. Last but by all means not least, the BritishSpanish Society has joined the University of Wales Press and their Latin American Studies Series to support research in Hispanic Studies and to provide a channel among researchers, academia and the Society. This partnership offers a unique opportunity for researchers to win a prestigious prize as well as having their theses considered for publication by an established university press with strong links in Hispanic Studies.

SCHOLARSHIP
AWARD CEREMONY 2018

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SCHOLARSHIP REPORT: THE ANNUAL BRITISHSPANISH SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDS CEREMONY. MAY 24TH 2018

Over seventy leading representatives of the diplomatic, corporate, and academic world attended the TheBritishSpanish Society's annual scholarship awards ceremony at the London Belgravia residence of the Spanish Ambassador on 24th May 2018.

The occasion marked the tenth year of the Society's prestigious programme, which celebrated the academic successes of eight British and Spanish students who were awarded full scholarships in collaboration with our six Principal Supporters, namely BBVA,Mahou San Miguel, Plastic Energy, Sabadell Foundation, Santander Universities and Telefónica.Following this very special anniversary, the BritishSpanish Society awarded a scholarship of its own thanks to the very generous donations received from both our supporting patrons and individual members.

The Society's Honorary President, HE the Spanish Ambassador to the UK Carlos Bastarrache-generously opened his Residence for the occasion, expressing his full support to the Society in its mission of building cultural and educational links between the people of Spain and Britain. He told the new awardees that they were deserving winners after a tough and thorough selection process and reminded them of their responsibility to help to contribute to a better future with their investigation and studies.

The BritishSpanish Society chairman Jimmy Burns OBEattended the ceremony as the Society's representative and briefly introduced every Corporate Supporter along with their awar-

dees, right before the latter were handed their much-deserved diplomas. Among them was HE the British Ambassador to Spain Simon Manley.

The fields of the awards this year included music, history, law, mathematics and statistics, engineering and technology, medicine and microbiology.

Major UK and Spanish universities were represented at the ceremony including Cambridge, Oxford, Edinburgh, Aberdeen, Lincoln, Royal College of Music, Cádiz and A Coruña. Representatives of SRUK (Society of Spanish Researchers in the United Kingdom) were at the ceremony as well. Since 2015 SRUK has collaborated with the BritishSpanish Society organizing events, advising the Scholarship Committee and scoring projects

The BritishSpanish Society is a registered UK charity and a non-political organization which has beenpromoting and building bridges of friendship and cultural exchange for over one hundred years. Its ever-growing membership, with currently over nine hundred active members, and the continued support from both British and Spanish companies and institutions, ensure we keep strengthening the links between both countriesand developing further in the future.

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Scholarships' ceremony 2018



Public attending the ceremony.



Awardees of 2018.

Scholarships' ceremony 2018



HE the Spanish Ambassador Carlos Bastarrache; HE the British Ambassador Simon Manley; Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society; Alba Guijarro Belmar, Santander's Medicine Awardee; Matthew Hutnell, Santander Universities, UK Director.



Scholarships' ceremony 2018

Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society; Santiago Fern  ndez, Mahou-San Miguel, International Area Director; Rafael Carrasco Reinado, Mahou-San Miguel's Awardee; HE the Spanish Ambassador Carlos Bastarrache; HE the British Ambassador Simon Manley.



HE the Spanish Ambassador Carlos Bastarrache; HE the British Ambassador Simon Manley; Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society; Nuria Gonz  lez Campa  a, Santander's Humanities Awardee; Matthew Hutnell, Santander Universities, UK Director.



Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society; Philip Paddock, BBVA UK Manager & Head of Clients & Investment banking in Europe, Turkey, Russia & Middle East; Paula Fraga Lamas, BBVA's Awardee; HE the Spanish Ambassador Carlos Bastarrache; HE the British Ambassador Simon Manley.



Albert Coll Caballe, Banco Sabadell Corporate Affairs Director; Roc Fragas I Castell, Sabadell's Awardee; HE the Spanish Ambassador Carlos Bastarrache; HE the British Ambassador Simon Manley; Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society.



Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society; Carlos Monreal, Plastic Energy, CEO; Javier D  az Bra  as, Plastic Energy's Awardee; HE the Spanish Ambassador Carlos Bastarrache; HE the British Ambassador Simon Manley.

Scholarships' ceremony 2018



Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society; Christian Kern, Telef  nica, Investor Relations Director; Marta Baldomero Naranjo, Telef  nica's Awardee; HE the Spanish Ambassador Carlos Bastarrache; HE the British Ambassador Simon Manley.



Scholarships' ceremony 2018

HE the Spanish Ambassador Carlos Bastarrache; Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society; Helen Louise Flatley, BritishSpanish Society's Awardee; HE the British Ambassador Simon Manley.



Jos   Ivars, BritishSpanish Society's Trustee; Dr. Francisco Molina-Holgado, Member of the BritishSpanish Society Grants Committee; Dr. Marian Jim  nez-Riesco, Trustee and Coordinator of the BritishSpanish Society Grants Committee;   lvaro Cepero, BritishSpanish Society's Events and Grants Secretary.



  lvaro Cepero, BritishSpanish Society's Events and Grants Secretary; Elisa Ramirez, Member of both, the Executive Council and the Scholarship Team; Maria Soriano, BritishSpanish Society's Development Secretary; Juan A. G  mez Garc  a, BritishSpanish Society's Membership and Finance Secretary.



Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society and guest at the ceremony.



Awardees and guest at the ceremony.

CEREMONY 2018
WINNERS



MBA RESEARCH PROJECT.

BLOCKCHAIN AS AN ENABLING TECHNOLOGY FOR SOCIAL INNOVATION

PROFILE

- MSc (2011) & PhD (2017) joint degree in Mobile Network Information and Communication Technologies from five Spanish universities: Universidad del País Vasco, Universidad de Cantabria, Universidad de Zaragoza, Universidad de Oviedo y Universidade da Coruña.
- MSc degree in Computer Engineering from Universidade da Coruña (2008)
- Currently working with the Group of Electronic Technology and Communications (GTEC) in the Department of Computer Engineering at Universidade da Coruña.
- Co-author of more than thirty peer-reviewed indexed journals, international conferences and book chapters
- Member of exploratory team IST-ET-068 of the IST (Information Systems Technology) panel of NATO STO (Science and Technology Organization) from 2012-2015

PROJECT

In the context of the current fourth industrial revolution characterized by the fusion of diverse technologies that blurs the borders between physical and cyberspace, blockchain is part of a broader toolbox that, together with Internet of Things (IoT), can disrupt society at large. This project reviews its foundations for developing peer-to-peer platforms for exchanging information, assets and virtually everything of value to humankind, without intermediaries and in a trustworthy, sustainable, accountable and transparent way. Furthermore, it reviews the potential of blockchain for social innovation together with its strategic implications to many economic sectors and its main implementation challenges.



PHD IN MOLECULAR BIOLOGY.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN MOLECULAR MICROBIOLOGY
AT UNIVERSIDAD DE CÁDIZ.

ENGLISH AND SPANISH BEER INNOVATION BY CONQUER

PROFILE

- BSc (Hons) in Environmental Sciences from Universidad deCádiz (2015)
- Seneca Exchange programme at Universidad de Granada (2012)
- Erasmus Exchange programme at University of Genoa (2010)
- Currently working as microbiology analyst at Universidad deCádiz, previously a groundwater analyst.
- Previous experience within the gastronomy world through his involvement with both the A4HW project (Universidad deCádiz) aiming at revalorising microalgae biomass and Michelin-star restaurant Aponiente in Cádiz.

PROJECT

Basados en nuestra amplia experiencia en gastronomía, incluido el sector de bebidas alcohólicas, proponemos la investigación de una selección de características organolépticas deseables mediante la identificación, conservación y caracterización de levaduras de fermentación, adaptando el producto de la cerveza a cada tipo de clientela, produciendo cervezas con personalidad y presencia, con la capacidad de conquistar el Reino Unido y España. La selección de características organolépticas se realizará bajo criterios de expertos en situación real, siguiendo los estándares establecidos por la International Organization for Standardization (IOS). Proponemos la opción de redescubrir las posibilidades de la cerveza para conectar personas y países a través de la ella, incluyendo nuevos elementos en diferentes cervezas para añadir nuevas experiencias y sabores, por ejemplo con microalgas.

During my research. In these days when it is incredibly difficult to find financial support for research and education I am very grateful for receiving this scholarship allowing me to continue my doctoral studies and fulfil my passion to train as an urban researcher.



PLASTIC ENERGY AWARD:
JAVIER DÍAZ BRAÑAS

PHD IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN.

CELL DYNAMIC SIMULATIONS OF BLOCK COPOLYMER NANOCOMPOSITES

PROFILE

- MPhil in Applied Mathematics from the University of Lincoln (2016).
- BSc in Physics from University of Seville (2014)
- He has published in peer-reviewed journals and presented papers at several conferences.
- He has teaching experience in computational algebra and computational fluid dynamics.

PROJECT

Block Copolymers are macromolecules composed of groups of different repeated units. In the simplest case, diblock copolymers can self-assemble into periodic ordered structures in the mesoscale, and its morphology and overall properties can be modified by the presence of nanoparticles. We want to study the effect that nanoparticles have on the block copolymer nanocomposite overall morphology, as well as the assembly of colloids. Complex systems such as anisotropic nanoparticles will be examined.



SABADELL FUNDACIÓN AWARD:
ROC FRAGAS I CASTELL

CURRENT MA STUDENT IN HISTORICAL PERFORMANCE (BAROQUE VIOLA)
AND CONDUCTING AT ROYAL ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

SPANISH TALENT AND BRITISH KNOWLEDGE

PROFILE

- BA (Hons) in Music from University of Cambridge (Selwyn College – 2017)
- He has taken part in several projects within the Royal Academy of Music, with the prestigious Kohn Foundation (Bach Cantatas series) or with Music for Awhile group.
- Founder and conductor of Anstieg Symphony Orchestra.
- Conductor and Orchestral Manager of Selwyn College Music Society (University of Cambridge)
- Conductor of University of Cambridge Philharmonic Orchestra.
- Principal viola of Cambridge University Chamber Orchestra
- Principal baroque viola of Cambridge University Collegium Musicum.
- Principal viola in String Chamber Orchestra, Symphony Orchestra and chamber groups, String Chamber Orchestra Europe tour in Luxemburg, Germany and Switzerland.
- He has been awarded several scholarships and prizes, amongst them the Enlightenment scholarship at the Royal Academy of Music or the Williamson prize of solo performance in Selwyn College, Cambridge.

PROJECT

Even though I have always had the dream, or fantasy, of becoming a conductor, it was not until I came to study in England when I was sixteen that I discovered my passion for music and decided to devote my life to it. I feel immensely privileged for the inspiration and support I have received from this musically enriched country since my high school studies. My project, ambition and goal is to become a renowned conductor, and later to come back home to share my musicianship through education, to inspire new generations and improve the musical culture of Spain.



SANTANDER UNIVERSITIES
HUMANITIES AWARD:
NÚRIA GONZÁLEZ CAMPAÑA

PHD IN LAW.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN LAW AT UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD
(WORCESTER COLLEGE).

SECESSION AND EU LAW

PROFILE

- MA in Law and Diplomacy from Tufts University, USA (Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy – 2010)
 - Exchange programme at Harvard University, USA (Kennedy School of Government – 2010)
- Bachelor of Law (LLB) from University of Barcelona (2005)
 - Exchange programme at Heidelberg University, Germany (2004)
- She has received several prestigious scholarships such as that of the Spanish Ministry of Education, La Caixa Foundation and Rafael del Pino Foundation.
- She has worked in different law firms such as J&A Garrigues at the EU Law Department and has lectured in EU law at the ESADE Law School (Barcelona).
- She has interned both in Europe and overseas territories: Council of Europe (Strasbourg, France), Council of the EU (Brussels, Belgium), Ombudsman (Lima, Peru), International Centre for Criminal Law Reform (Vancouver, Canada) and Japan International Co-operation Agency (Tokyo, Japan).

PROJECT

IPro-secession movements have flourished in Europe. My project aims to explore how should EU law respond to pro-secession and territorial challenges.

At this moment Catalonia is the most well-known example, but Scotland and Northern Ireland might become in the future additional challenges to the EU. Since the position of the United Kingdom after Brexit negotiations is still highly unclear, the legal discussion around this type of territorial debates is not only relevant for Spain, but also for the UK.

Studying in Oxford under the supervision of Prof. Paul Craig, who is one of the world leading experts on EU law, is an invaluable asset of this project.

SANTANDER UNIVERSITIES
MEDICINE AWARD:
ALBA GUIJARRO BELMAR

PHD IN MEDICAL SCIENCES.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN NEUROSCIENCE AT UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN.

THE POTENTIAL OF COMBINING EPAC ACTIVATION AND NOVEL SELF ASSEMBLED HYDROGELS
IN PROMOTING CNS AXONAL REGENERATION

PROFILE

- MSc in Neuroscience and Biotechnology from Universidad de Valencia (2015)
- BSc degree in Biochemistry and Biomedical Sciences from Universidad de Valencia (2013)
- She has interned at several organisations such as:
 - Valencia Hospital Research Foundation – Oncology and Hematology Department (breast cancer research)
 - Universidad de Valencia – Department of Physiology (neurobiological research)
 - Príncipe Felipe Research Centre, Valencia – Neuronal and Tissue Regeneration laboratory (regenerative medicine research)
- She has co-authored a scientific paper on mechanisms of resistance to standard breast cancer treatment.

PROJECT

Spinal cord injury (SCI) is a highly debilitating trauma with no effective treatments. One of the most promising new avenues of treatment is to combine axon growth-promoting and tissue-engineering strategies to create a permissive and encouraging environment for injured spinal nerve processes to regrow. Our proposal consists in combining a novel hydrogel that works as a scaffold and is capable to deliver locally Epac 2 agonist that regulates intrinsic pathways boosting neurite growth. Promising results have been achieved using different models in vitro, such as primary cell cultures, and in a recently established Ex vivo model for SCI.





TELEFÓNICA AWARD:
MARTA BALDOMERO NARANJO

PHD IN STATISTIC AND OPERATIONAL RESEARCH.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN STATISTICS AND OPERATIONAL RESEARCH AT
UNIVERSIDAD DE CÁDIZ IN PARTNERSHIP WITH UNIVERSITY OF EDINBURGH.
CURRENT MA STUDENT IN PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT 4.0 AT
UNIVERSITY OF ALCALÁ.

LOCATING SERVICE FACILITIES IN CITIES.

PROFILE

- MSc in Mathematics from the Universities of Almería, Cádiz, Granada, Jaen and Málaga (2017)
- BSc in Mathematics from Universidad de Cádiz (2016)
- She has received several awards such as that of the Spanish Ministry of Education (Arquímedes contest for graduate researchers), Universidad de Cádiz Excellence Award (undergraduate studies) or Professor Manuel Caballero Excellence Award (best Graduate student at University of Cádiz).
- She is a current researcher at the Universidad de Cádiz and has been involved in teaching at scientific dissemination seminars at the university as well as at external science fairs.
- She has interned at Airbus Defence and Space in the Planning and Control Department (Cádiz) as well as at the La Salle El Carmen School (Cádiz).
- She is an active member of several research groups (the EURO Working Group on Locational Analysis or Thematic Network: Location and Related Problems) as well as organizing committees of international workshops.
- She has edited a specialised paper on locational analysis and related problems.

PROJECT

This project aims to develop mathematical models for finding the optimal location of service facilities, such as emergency centres, cell phone towers, bank branches, to cover the maximum population within a city. The exact demand for service is considered to be unknown, but assumed to lie within a given minimal and maximal range. We will apply global optimization techniques with the goal of finding robust locations that work well under various demand scenarios. This will include heuristic as well as exact solution methods. The methods will be tested using real world data sets of British and Spanish cities.



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BRITISH-SPANISH SOCIETY
PATRONS AND MEMBERS AWARD:
HELEN LOUISE FLATLEY

PHD IN HISTORY.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN SPANISH MEDIEVAL HISTORY
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

WAYS OF BELONGING: THE MOZARABS OF TOLEDO AND CHRISTIAN, MUSLIM, JEWISH RELATIONS IN
MEDIEVAL IBERIA.

PROFILE

- MA in Middle East and Islamic Studies from the American University of Paris (2015)
 - Full scholarship awarded by the university.
- Arabic course at the University of Damascus (2008)
- MPhil in Medieval History from University of Cambridge (2007)
- BA in History from University of Cambridge (2006)
- She has advanced proficiency in six modern and ancient languages: Spanish, French, Arabic, Hebrew, Farsi and Latin.
- She worked at the Gulf Centre for Strategic Studies transcribing and analysing recently released Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) documents.
- She has also been a researcher and product manager for a rapidly growing internet start-up company. She is particularly interested in the technology industry due to its transformative potential, which makes history more accessible to the broader public and, in turn, helps to combat prejudice and intolerance in contemporary society.

PROJECT

My doctoral research examines Christian, Muslim and Jewish relations in medieval Spain, with a particular focus on the Mozarabs of Toledo in the 12th and 13th centuries. The Mozarabs, as Arabic-speaking Iberian Christians, were defined by their hybrid identity, and operated as a bridge between Muslim and Christian cultures in Iberian society. I hope to shed light on this distinctive and unique cultural minority, and to contribute more broadly to our understanding of cultural exchange across the three Abrahamic faiths in medieval Spain.

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SCHOLARSHIP AWARD CEREMONY 2017

Scholarships' ceremony 2017



Scholarships' ceremony 2017

Jimmy Burns Mara  n, OBE and
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Federico Trillo-Figueroa.

Cristina   lvarez-Campana,
BritishSpanish Society's Trustee
and guests.



Guest at the scholarship ceremony.

Guest at the scholarship ceremony.

Eva Sierra, EC member of the
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  lvaro Cepero, BritishSpanish
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Soriano, BritishSpanish Society's
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Scholarships' ceremony 2017



Juan Blasco, Global Head of Syndicate, BBVA; María Nieto Rosado BBVA's Awardee.



Scholarships' ceremony 2017

Mr Richard Peel, Plastic Energy PR & MKT Manager; Carlos López Alled Plastic Energy's awardee.



Matthew Hutnell, Santander Universities, UK Director; Carissa Véliz, Santander's Humanities Awardee.



Matthew Hutnell, Santander Universities, UK Director; Andrea González, Santander's Humanities awardee.



Santiago Fernández, Mahou-San Miguel, International AreaDirector; Marina Ruiz Muñoz, Mahou-San Miguel's awardee.



Mr Antonio Marti, Telefónica Chief Financial Officer; Gregory Sanders, Telefónica's awardee.

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WINNERS



MSC IN MICROBIOLOGY.
CURRENTE MSC IN CLINICAL RESEARCH STUDENT AT UNIVERSITAT DE BARCELONA.

IDENTIFICATION AND DISSEMINATION OF PLASMID-MEDIATED COLISTIN RESISTANCE AMONG ESCHERICHIA COLI ISOLATES RECOVERED FROM SEAGULLS AND SEWAGE RATS IN BARCELONA

PROFILE

- BSc in Microbiology at UniversitatAutònoma de Barcelona (2012-2016)
- She was awarded first prize in the ARGO research contest by the UniversitatAutònoma de Barcelona.
- She has been research assistant at several institutions such as the Clinical Microbiology Department of Echevarne Analysis Laboratories, in Barcelona (2015), but also at the Research group of Dr. Koen Venema, Maastrich University, The Netherlands (2016).

PROJECT

Antimicrobial resistance is a global public health threat and Gram-negative human pathogens top the WHO priority list of multidrug resistant bacteria (MDR). Until the development of new antimicrobial agents, colistin is likely the only antibiotic left to treat infections caused by such pathogens. Unfortunately, colistin resistance is already emerging, and very rapidly among bacteria of animal origin, due to the swift spread of a transmissible gene, mcr-1. A better understanding of the sources and mechanisms of dissemination of colistin resistance is urgently needed to design containment strategies and prevent further dissemination of colistin resistance to human MDR pathogens.



BSC IN BIOTECHNOLOGY.
CURRENT BSC IN BIOTECHNOLOGY STUDENT AT UNIVERSIDAD DE CÁDIZ.

ENGLISH AND SPANISH BEER AND FOOD: SEARCHING FOR THE BEST PAIRING

PROFILE

- International Baccalaureate at I.E.S. MartínezMontañés, Seville, Spain (2013).
- Course in Sensory Analysis of Cheese at IFAPA Centro Hinojosa del Duque, Cádiz, Spain (2015).
- She presented in the 40th World Congress of Vine and Wine (2016), as well as in the 6th National Congress of Industrial Microbiology and Microbial Biotechnology (2016).
- She carried out microbiological and sensory analyses during the 2016 vintage in the cellars of Bodegas Barbadillo SL, Cádiz, Spain.

PROJECT

The aim of this study is to investigate the relationship between the sensory characteristics of beer and food that harmonically complement each other respectively from the English, Gibraltarian and Spanish consumers' point of views. The most desirable beers and everyday English and Spanish food combinations will be explored in a tasting-room and under real situations. ISO standards for the sensory analysis will be applied to perform the analyses. Our findings can help restaurateurs from the studied places plan their menus, enhance customer satisfaction through the upgrading of the guest's dining experience and to increase commercial revenue of the brewers.



PLASTIC ENERGY AWARD: CARLOS MIGUEL LÓPEZ ALLED

PHD IN CHEMISTRY.

CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN SUSTAINABLE CHEMISTRY AT THE CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE CHEMICAL TECHNOLOGY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BATH.

RAPID ON-SITE COLORIMETRIC DETERMINATION OF DRINKING WATER

PROFILE

- MSc in Molecular Chemistry and Homogeneous Catalysis at the Universidad de Zaragoza in partnership with the University of Bath, as part of ERASMUS+ Programme (2016).
- BSc in Chemistry at the Universidad de Zaragoza (2015).
- Marie-Curie Fellowship Award by the European Research Council.
- Professional experience teaching science, research internships and academic outreach activities, including an internship at Instituto de Carboquímica de Aragón CSIC.
- His findings have been published in a peer-reviewed journal.
- He has volunteered in different science festivals and participated in international science conferences.
- SRUK/CERU member.

PROJECT

Many rural communities in the developing world lack access to public water systems and rely on untreated well water. Water contamination caused by either human activity or natural sources often remains undetected leading to detrimental health effects.

In this project, we are developing a novel class of versatile sensors that can be used to detect a wide range of problematic water contaminants without need for expensive equipment, trained personnel and a laboratory environment. The molecular sensors that we are designing change colour in the presence of a specific contaminant, thereby, indicating if the water is safe for human consumption.



SANTANDER UNIVERSITIES HUMANITIES AWARD: CARISSA DEL CARMEN VÉLIZ PERALES

PHD IN PHILOSOPHY.

CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN PHILOSOPHY AT UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD (2015)

TITLE: ON PRIVACY

PROFILE

- MPhil in Philosophy at the City University of New York's Graduate Center (2014).
- BA in Philosophy at Universidad de Salamanca (2007 – 2010) – she obtained the highest GPA of her year (9.6/10) and won the National Academic Excellence Award.
- She has received numerous excellence awards and scholarships during her academic career.
- She has been a visiting student at the University of Toronto, New York University and The Hastings Center.
- She has published articles and papers in several prestigious academic journals.
- Her work has also appeared in media platforms such as The Guardian, The Independent, The Daily Mail, the BBC, the Huffington Post, and Publico.es, among others.
- Organiser for the Madariaga Series at Oxford, an initiative that seeks to promote the long-standing connection between Spain and the University of Oxford.
- She is vice-president of Academics Stand Against Poverty Spain, an organisation that pulls together academics in the fight against poverty.
- She is part of La Facultad Invisible, an educational think tank that unites hundreds of scholars who have won the National Academic Excellence Award.
- She has teaching experience at undergraduate level.

PROJECT

I work on the ethics and politics of privacy. I would like to research how companies and governments in Spain and the United Kingdom use people's personal data about health: what data is collected, who collects it, why is this data collected, how is it used, who stores it and for how long. In particular, I would like to explore the ethics around the collection and use of sensitive data about health as it relates to issues of responsibility. Do governments and health corporations have a claim to people's data? And if so, what is the justification (i.e. prevention of the spread of contagious diseases, general public health purposes, benefits in exchange for health services, etc.)?



SANTANDER UNIVERSITIES MEDICINE AWARD: ANDREA GONZÁLEZ LÓPEZ

PHD IN BIOLOGY.

CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES AT UNIVERSIDAD DE OVIEDO, IN COLLABORATION WITH IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON.

*ANALYTICAL DEVICES FOR THE ELECTROCHEMICAL DETECTION OF DNA
IN INFECTIOUS ANIMAL DISEASES*

PROFILE

- MSc in Analytical and Bioanalytical Sciences at Universidad de Oviedo (2013).
- BSc in Biology at Universidad de Oviedo (2012).
- As an undergraduate, she did a two-months stay at the Virology Unit in the University General Hospital of Oviedo.
- She is a regular collaborator at the NanoBioAnalysis Group, at the Physical and Analytical Chemistry Department of the University of Oviedo.
- She has presented her findings in both national and international scientific conferences.
- She has been employed as a researcher in a National Research Project.

PROJECT

The main goal of this research project is to develop a miniaturised analytical device for the electrochemical detection of DNA. Well characterized, high surface area and conductive electrodes to accurately measure presence (or absence) of a target of interest is required.

The eventual goal of this project is to develop a pen-side diagnostic technology for the detection of infectious animal diseases. Such technologies are particularly important for diseases with no cure.

This project will involve fabrication of the electrodes, immobilization of DNA, electrochemical analysis of DNA spiked samples and (possibly) construction of a portable electrochemical reader which could be interfaced with mobile devices.



TELEFÓNICA AWARD: GREGORY JOSEPH EMMANUEL SANDERS

MA IN JAZZ PERFORMANCE AND COMPOSITION.

MOUNTAINS AND GATEWAYS – NEW JAZZ WITH GALICIAN AND CELTIC ROOTS

PROFILE

- MA in guitar performance and composition at the Royal Academy of Music, London.
- BA in Music and Linguistics at the School of Oriental and African Studies, SOAS (2011).
- He has performed with different ensembles and groups in England, as well as collaborated with numerous musicians and singers in their composition and musical arrangements.
- As part of the group Talajeta, he has won the 2017 Latin UK Awards (LUKAS) – modern jazz arrangements of Venezuelan traditional and folk music.
- He has extensive guitar and bass teaching experience in London.
- Extensive experience in Afro-diasporic fusion music and Venezuela neo-traditional forms.

PROJECT

My proposal is to undertake performance & composition-based research on the shared cultural and artistic history that the Celtic regions of Britain and the Galician region of Spain share, as part of the second year of my MA in Jazz Performance & Composition at the Royal Academy of Music (RAM). This is with the express intention of creating and presenting new compositions and arrangements. These compositions will aim to look for and highlight the commonality of the British and Spanish-based Galician / Celtic folk music forms. The source material for the project would be predominantly archive recordings available in the UK and also if funding allowed a short research trip to the Museo do Pobo Galego (Galician Ethnographical Museum), in Santiago de Compostela.

This research will be looking for shared elements such as repertoire, common melodic themes, common rhythmic devices, dance idioms, harmonic structures, approaches to improvisation, subject matter.

As a performer and composer who also predominantly works in the fields of Jazz and World music, improvisation will be central to these new works. My extensive experience in Afro-diasporic fusion music and Venezuelan neo-traditional forms, have cemented in my own practice the importance of music to be a vehicle in which cross cultural collaborations can transcend national identities and spoken language.



SCHOLARSHIP AWARD CEREMONY 2016

Scholarships' ceremony 2016



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Federico Trillo-Figueroa;
Rt Hon Baroness Hooper CMG.



Scholarships' ceremony 2016

Guests at the ceremony.



Adrian Wright, John Scanlan
and guests.



Guests at the ceremony.



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Dr. Marian Jiménez-Riesco, Trustee
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Lucía Veintemilla, BritishSpanish
Society's awardee.

Scholarships' ceremony 2016



Philip Paddack, BBVA UK Manager
& Head of Clients & Investment
banking in Europe, Turkey, Russia
& Middle East; Eduard Serrahima,
BBVA's awardee.



Scholarships' ceremony 2016

Mike Short, Vice president,
Telefónica; Julia Gaytan,
Telefónica's awardee.



Javier Echave, Ferrovial
representative, CFO at Heathrow
Airports; Roberto Díez,
Ferrovial's awardee.



Juan Botín, General Manager,
Banco Santander S.A. London
Branch; Antonio García, Santander's
Medicine awardee.



Santiago Fernández,
Mahou-San Miguel, International
Area Director; Alfonso Timoneda,
Mahou-San Miguel's awardee.



Michael Wilson, University
Relationship Director, Santander
Universities; Marina Pérez,
Santander's Humanities awardee.

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BBVA AWARD:
EDUARD SERRAHIMA DE CAMBRA

MSC IN STATISTICS.
CURRENT MSC STATISTICS STUDENT AT IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON.

*STATISTICS AND INTERDISCIPLINARITY: BREAKING THE LINE BETWEEN STATISTICS
AND LITERATURE.*

PROFILE

- BA in Industrial Technology Engineering at Universidad Politécnica de Cataluña (2011 – 2015) – awarded a first-class degree and final year thesis presented in the European Network for Business and Industrial Statistics Annual Conference (Prague 2015).
- Ranked 0,5% top marks in Catalunya for the Access to University Examinations (PAU) – he obtained an average mark 9.3/10.
- He has been awarded various prizes in relation to his academic excellence such as the 2nd position in the European Final of the European Board of European Students of Technology Engineering Competition (August 2014), where only 100 students out of 5000 make it to the final.
- He has interned and is currently working for The Hewlett-Packard Company.

PROJECT

Developing and improving statistical analysis and learning techniques applied to literary analysis and literature in general, specially focusing on developing its artificial intelligence and robotics applications. The MSc in Statistics offered at Imperial College London (to which I am already admitted) provides both theoretical and applied statistics and probability courses, with specific importance given to computational and machine learning tools. This MSc will provide the best tools to develop and enhance the relationship between statistics and literature and its practical applications.



FERROVIAL AWARD:
ROBERTO DÍEZ PISONERO

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH IN GEOGRAPHY AND URBAN PLANNING.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN GEOGRAPHY AT UNIVERSIDAD
COMPLUTENSE DE MADRID.

*LAND-USE CHANGES AND OTHER CHANGES IN THE SURROUNDINGS OF BRITISH AND SPANISH
AIRPORTS: A GIS APPROACH*

PROFILE

- MA in Geography and Advanced Studies at Universidad Complutense de Madrid (2009 – 2010) – he received a distinction for his thesis.
- BA in Geography at Universidad Complutense de Madrid – he received the First National Award for Excellence in Academic Performance (2008).
- He has been a research assistant at different institutions such as the Royal Geography Society of Madrid, Fundación Universitaria Oriol-Urquijo and Universidad Complutense de Madrid, as well as for various projects centred on tourism and urbanisation.
- He has published many articles and papers on urbanisation and airports on various peer-reviewed journals.
- He has been a visiting researcher at University of Texas, New York University and Monterrey Institute of Technology and Higher Education (New Mexico).
- He has teaching experience at undergraduate and graduate levels.

PROJECT

Relations between urban dynamics and airports are an observable reality since the establishment of the first airfield in the early twentieth century. In addition to amplifying economic power in metropolitan areas, it can also be observed that airports overlap in the city, from both a functional and morphological perspective.

Additional activities related to connectivity are developed in the surroundings: hotels, business-parks, multinational headquarters, etc. This phenomenon has not been sufficiently studied in the academic literature.

This research, therefore, assesses the economic footprint on airports in selected cities (London and Madrid), and analyses land use and other changed that occur around these mega-infra-structures.



MAHOU SAN MIGUEL AWARD: ALFONSO TIMONEDA MONFORT

MPHIL IN BIOLOGY.

CURRENT MPHIL STUDENT IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE.

ENGINEERING THE BETALAIN BIOSYNTHESIS PATHWAY IN BREWER'S YEAST (SACCHAROMYCES CEREVISIAE) AND OTHER BIO-INDUSTRIAL HOSTS.

PROFILE

- BS in Biotechnology at Universidad Politécnica de Valencia.
- He has interned at the Departments of Plant Sciences, Physiology and Neuroscience at University of Cambridge, as well as at the Department of Biochemistry at Universidad de Valencia and the Mexican National Institute for High Reproductive Technology.
- He has collaborated with the Academic Institute for the Conservation and Breeding of Valencian Agrospecies as well as with the Department of Cellular Biology and Parasitology at Universidad de Valencia.

PROJECT

Betalain pigments are plant compounds showing a wide variety of potential applications in the pharmaceutical, agricultural and food industry. Betalains can act as potent antioxidant, anti-cancer, anti-microbial molecules, as well as enhance plant tolerance to adverse environmental conditions such as lack of water or high salt. Given these benefits, it is important to further understand the biosynthetic pathways leading to betalain production and accumulation in plants and how this knowledge can be used to engineer new industrial production hosts using model organisms like brewer's yeast (*Saccharomyces cerevisiae*) or bacteria (*Escherichia coli*), as well as new promising mechanisms for crop resistance in the frame of an ongoing environmental change.

The project is aimed to achieve the production of a functional natural compound in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, a microorganism with more than a century of history with Mahou since its origins in 1890. In the other hand, the food industry is witnessing a growing interest in the field of functional food, combining nourishment and health improvement in the same products. Supporting the creation of strains of yeast with the capacity of producing beneficial compounds would translate into a new way of promoting society's progress and welfare with the same common tools the company has been using for its own products.



SANTANDER UNIVERSITIES AWARD: ANTONIO GARCÍA GUERRA

PHD IN PHYSICS.

CURRENT PHD STUDENT IN CONDENSED MATTER PHYSICS AT UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

FORGING A MAGIC BULLET: SELF-ASSEMBLED NANO-VESICLES AS A UNIVERSAL DRUG CARRIER FOR TARGETED THERAPY.

PROFILE

- BSc in Biotechnology at Universidad de Barcelona – he was awarded a Distinction for his study on Prokaryotic Genetic Engineering.
- He was a visiting student in Bioengineering at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
- He was a research attendant at Harvard Medical School, Brigham and Women's Hospital (Harvard-MIT Health & Science Technology).
- He has published articles on various peer-reviewed journals and presented his research at international conferences.
- Active member of CERU/SRUK.
- Fluent in French, English and Catalan.

PROJECT

My Cell-Derived Vesicles (CDVs) are a modular and universal delivery system to treat a huge spectrum of diseases, such as cancer or genetic disorders.

Chemotherapy drugs, proteins, and nucleic acids have a vast potential to treat human diseases. However, they have to reach the site of disease, get inside the right type of cell, while avoiding destruction by the immune system, the human body's defences. To tackle these challenges, I have created nano-vesicles inspired by nature. These containers are obtained from living cells, which allow me to control the cargo that is loaded and in which cell they get internalized.

SANTANDER UNIVERSITIES AWARD:
MARINA PÉREZ DE ARCOS

PHD IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
AT UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD.

THE ESTABLISHMENT AND ROLE OF THE BRITISH COUNCIL IN POST-WAR SPAIN

PROFILE

- MPhil in International Relations at Oxford – Distinction awarded for her MPhil thesis on Spain and NATO.
- BA History at University of York – her final year dissertation was awarded the highest grade in the History Department.
- Graduated from British Council School in Madrid with full marks.
- She is one of the few doctoral researchers who has been asked to teach and lecture at Oxford. Her series Spain: 1959-1992 is the only paper on the History and Politics of Spain at the University.
- She has attended various international conferences in representation of Oxford (European Parliament and NATO headquarters amongst them) and has presented her work there.
- She was an advisor at the Spanish PM's office (La Moncloa) during her MPhil, where she had to oversee the G20's Spanish-lead project on renewable energy and energy efficiency. In addition to that, she helped organize the G20 sherpa meeting in Seville.
- She worked as an intern at the Club of Madrid, the world's largest forum of former Presidents and Prime Ministers aimed at fostering democracy and also interned at Le Vésinet's Town Hall in Paris, France.

PROJECT

"What was needed in Spain was an institution which would create sound tradition of English teaching and establish cultural relations between scientists, historians and men of letters as well as between students of the two countries, an institution which would be a genuine home of English life and... a centre of British Humanism." WalterStarkie, first British Institute in Madrid Director, 1948.

The British Institute in Madrid was set up seventy-five years ago in August 1940. Despite this important anniversary, the reasons behind the foundation of the British Council's only school remain relatively unknown. This study hopes to address the gap in the literature by suggesting that the purpose of the British Institute in Madrid's foundation was to counter Nazi German and Fascist Italian propaganda, keep Spain out of the Second World War, and help Britain's Secret Intelligence Services win the war.

TELEFÓNICA AWARD:
JULIA GAYTAN

PHD IN DRAMA STUDIES.
CURRENT PHD CANDIDATE IN DRAMA STUDIES AT COMPLUTENSE
UNIVERSITY OF MARRID.

THE SUPERPOSITION OF DRAMA AND CRITICISM IN THE HISPANIC ADAPTATIONS OF SHAKESPEARE'S PLAYS.

PROFILE

- MA in English Literature and Theatre Studies at Complutense University of Madrid (2008)
- BA in Spanish Philology at Guanajuato University, Mexico (2004 – 2008)
- She has published articles in books and various peer-reviewed online literary journals.
- She has participated in a variety of international conferences dealing with Hispanoamerican and English literature.
- She has received several awards related to her research and academic excellence, such as the publishing of a collection of her poems La memoria de los Días after winning the XX Literary Contest "Universidad de Zaragoza" modality poetry in Spanish (2008).
- She has held various teaching positions at Guanajuato University.

PROJECT

As a part of my PhD program of Drama Studies at the Complutense University of Madrid, I expect to have a research period in the Shakespeare Institute, University of Birmingham, as an academic visitor from August 1st to November 30th 2016.

The title of my thesis is "The superposition of drama and criticism in The Shakespearean adaptations. The case of Hamlet, por ejemplo by Hector Mendoza" and my research area is the study of the Williams Shakespeare's adaptations in the Spanish-speaking countries during the 20th Century and their cultural assimilation of Shakespeare's plays.



BRITISH-SPANISH SOCIETY
AWARD:
LUCÍA VEINTIMILLA MACIÁN

MA IN VIOLIN PERFORMANCE.
CURRENT MA STUDENT IN VIOLIN PERFORMANCE AT GUILDHALL SCHOOL
OF MUSIC AND DRAMA.

BRINGING CULTURES TOGETHER THROUGH MUSIC

PROFILE

- BA in Music and Artist Programme in Performance at Guildhall School of Music and Drama (2016).
- BA in Violin and Piano at the Conservatory of Music in Asturias (2012).
- Higher Education in Violin and Piano at the Professional Conservatory of Music Oviedo(2008).
- She has participated in numerous competitions and has received several awards for her performances, such as First Prize for the II competition of chamber music at Conservatory of Music Oviedo and selected to represent Asturias at the Spanish IV Certamen de Interpretación – competition Orfeo Foundation. She was also selected to tour in Switzerland and South Korea with group The Barokers.
- She has performed with different orchestras both in England and Spain, as well as with several baroque ensembles in The Mozart in London Festival or The Victoria & Albert Museum.
- She has violin and piano teaching experience both in London and Asturias.
- She is fluent in English and Italian.

PROJECT

My project aims to bring innovative chamber music performances to children who are studying Spanish in London schools as well as those studying at the Spanish Institutes in the city. These Interactive Performances will explore, in an engaging and entertaining way, the historical and cultural links between Spain and England through a musical journey.

In order to do so, two specific pieces of two composers from the same musical period will be chosen, one English and one Spanish. The entry point –or general musical concept that we will explore throughout the entire Interactive Performance- will be a common music feature that both composers present in each of their compositions. The outcome of these Interactive Performances will be to explain how both composers achieved the same musical feature in a similar or opposed way, which will contribute to the overall understanding of cultural links through music.

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JIMMY BURNS MARAÑON OBE, Chairman

Born in Madrid in 1953 to a Spanish mother and British father, Jimmy Burns Marañon has been the Chairman of the BritishSpanish Society since March 2013. In 2013 he was awarded the Encomienda del Mérito Civil by King Juan Carlos 1st. As a journalist Jimmy worked for the Financial Times for over three decades (1979 – 2009), during which he was posted as a foreign correspondent in Lisbon, Madrid

and Buenos Aires before working for the newspaper as a senior reporter in a number of fields including industrial relations, special investigations, politics, crime and security. He has also contributed to various other UK, Spanish and US print and media over the years and maintains an active blog.

Jimmy is the author of several books and is an independent consultant on Spain and Latin America. He has been a member of the BritishSpanish Society since his university days in the 1970s and was appointed as Trustee and Vice-Chairman in 2009. Jimmy was also the Editor of the Society's magazine La Revista from 2010 to 2013, now serving as Executive Editor alongside his responsibilities as Chairman.

Aside from the BritishSpanish Society Jimmy is also the Co-Founder and Trustee of Friends of Battersea Park; a member of the Management Council of Cañada Blanch Centre for Contemporary Spanish Studies Blanch Centre (London School of Economics), and a member of the Executive Committee of PenyaBlaugrana (London).



CRISTINA ÁLVAREZ-CAMPANA, Trustee

Cristina Alvarez-Campana has been a member of The British Spanish-Society from 2014. She moved to London with her family in 2012, from Madrid where she worked in Ministry of Public Works for more than 16 years. She holds a degree in Law, MBA IE Business School and a huge experience in change management and business development..

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FERNANDO FERNÁNDEZ, Trustee

Fernando Menéndez has been a member of The British Spanish-Society for the last 5 years. He lived in London for 3 years, where he discovered and joined the British-Spanish Society. Fernando grew up in Madrid where he obtained an MSc in Industrial Engineering and an MBA. He lived in Paris for 5 years, where he obtained an Engineering degree from Ecole Supélec. He has held an international career

including France, China, Philippines, US, UK and Spain. Fernando is currently a Commercial Manager for Spain and Portugal at BP Oil.



ROGER JA GOLLAND, OBE

Roger Golland served for 32 years in HM Diplomatic Service, including tours in Ankara, Budapest, Buenos Aires and Brussels and stints as a Director in London. In recent years, he has delivered capacity-building programmes to government partners overseas. He was Chair of the campaigning charity Transform Drugs Policy Foundation from 2012 – 2017 and is a trustee of Release. Roger is a Senior Fellow of

the Institute for Statecraft and an active participant in other think-tanks. He is married to Jane, a schoolteacher, and lives in west Kent.



JOSÉ IVARS, Trustee

José has been member of the BritishSpanish Society for nearly ten years. Originally from Denia he has lived and worked in London since 2001 when he came to study and ended up running a property business in parallel. Since then José has held senior positions in a diverse range of companies and industries, and at present he heads the

banking partners division in one of the top financial services companies in UK. With an extensive range of contacts across industries and countries, José plays a valuable role in strategic projects involving Spain and UK. As result of this he holds several non-executive positions in venture capital and investment firms both in Spain and the UK. In his spare time he enjoys endurance trail running, rock climbing and relaxing walks within the surrounding counties.



DR. MARIAN JIMÉNEZ-RIESCO, Trustee

Marian Jiménez Riesco has been a member of the BritishSpanish Society since 2011 and was appointed as a Trustee in 2012. She has a PhD in Contemporary History from the University of Navarre and is currently conducting a research project at the Cañada Blanch Centre for Contemporary Spanish Studies (London School of Economics).

She is also the founder and CEO of Istorikos. In 2009 Marian received the Cuatre-Casas Gonçalves Pereira grant through the BritishSpanish Society. In addition to her role as Trustee at the Society Marian also serves as Corporate Supporter Manager.



DR. MIKE SHORT CBE FRENG FIET, Trustee

Dr Short has held positions in Electronics and telecommunications for 40 years. From a Director of Cellnet to Vice President of Telefonica Europe he has had experience with 5 Generations of Mobile technology and mobile data services including the establishment of a new 5G innovation centre (5GIC) based at Surrey University.

He has been involved in mobile licence bids, network launches and in recent years Innovation for business development in areas as diverse as Mobile TV, connected cars, smart metering, smart cities and emergency services. After running design and manufacturing for subsidiaries of Philips Industries, and Toshiba, he joined BT in 1983 and was appointed in 1989 as a Director of O2 UK, now part of Telefónica to launch Digital 2G or GSM mobile networks. He later went on to run the 3G business case and launch 3G in the UK. He is a former elected Chairman of the global GSM Association and UK Mobile Data Association, and a former President of the Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET – 2011/2102). Mike was honoured with a CBE by the Her Majesty the Queen in June 2012 for services to the Mobile industry after 25 years Mobile experience, and holds Honorary Doctorates from Staffordshire, Brunel and Kingston Universities. He is a Visiting Professor at Surrey and Leeds Universities and a co-founder of 5G IC at Surrey University. Mike was appointed as a Chief Scientific Adviser for The Department for International Trade (DIT) in October 2017 to play a key role in ensuring the department's policy is informed by the best science, engineering and technical advice and to advise on the technical aspects of future trade deals. He is to also work closely with the UK's research, development and academic communities to promote British scientific and engineering exports around the world.



JUAN REIG MASCARELL, Treasurer

Juan ReigMascarell has been a member of The British Spanish-Society for the last 8 years. He has lived in London for the last 16 years, where he originally moved after finishing University to work in the City of London. Juan grew up in Denia – Alicante-, lived for a year in the United States and went on to complete a BA in Business Administration in Valencia. Juan is currently a Managing Director at J.P. Morgan, where he trades corporate credit within the Markets Division.



CARMEN YOUNG, Trustee

Carmen Bouverat has been a Trustee of the BritishSpanish Society for ten years. She is an experienced management consultant with a wealth of experience in different industries. Carmen is half Spanish and half Swiss, and has lived in Spain, Switzerland, the UK, France, Egypt and India. She was the Managing Director of an alliance of eight leading independent European corporate law firms under a single brand. In this role she developed and co-ordinated alliances between the European member firms and several North American law firms. Key practice areas were Corporate Law, IT and Telecoms, Intellectual Property, Real Estate, Employment, Litigation and Competition Law. Prior to this position, Carmen was Head of MBA Recruiting at KPMG Consulting.



SCOTT YOUNG, Trustee

Scott Young is an experienced investment banker with extensive cross-border transaction experience in Europe, North America, the Middle East and Asia. Mr. Young is founder and Managing Director of Gemini Capital in London, which is involved in providing strategic advice to a wide range of entities, including private businesses, multinational companies, family offices, private equity groups and sovereign wealth funds. Mr. Young was previously with Morgan Stanley & Company in New York in the International Capital Markets group. Earlier positions include Corporate Finance, Fixed Income and Equity Sales and Syndication with LF Rothschild in New York as well as the US offices of the OECD in New York. Mr. Young received his Doctorate in Law and MBA degrees with distinction at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.





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SCHOLARSHIPS



Santander award to Enrique Gallego Colón for his PhD research on heart disease and prevention at Imperial College London.



Santander award to Diego Rubio for his PhD research on secrecy in Early Modern Europe at University of Oxford.



BBVA award to Caroline Gray for her PhD project on Spanish nationalistic politics at University of Liverpool.



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Telefónica award to Juan Barahona for his masters studies on Piano Performance with a focus on Isaac Albéniz's works at Royal College of Music.

2014 EDITION

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SCHOLARSHIPS



BBVA award to Jonathan Smith for his PhD research on the 2008 financial economic crisis at University of Cambridge.



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Ferrovial award to Leticia Llano Trueba for her PhD project on civil and environmental engineering at University of Surrey.



Santander award to David Hewitt for his PhD research on the influence of British sports in Spain's Second Republic at University of Leeds.



Telefónica award to Mireia Crispín for her PhD research on particle physics at University of Oxford.

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BSS bursary to Francisco Hernández-Heras for his PhD project on biological sciences and neural design at University of Cambridge.



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BSS bursary to Ana Bonet-Miró for her PhD research on architectural design at University of Edinburgh.



BSS bursary to Samuel Ottewill-Soulsby for his PhD project on Medieval Eastern-European history and its relationship with Muslim Spain at University of Cambridge.



BSS bursary to Rosemarie Fernández Day for her PhD research on contemporary British cinema at University of Kent.



BSS bursary to Luis Gonzaga Martínez del Campo for his research into the history of the BSS, with the publishing of a book on it.

2013 EDITION

BSS awarded 5 schoarships and 3 bursaries on fields ranging from engineering, to history, linguistic, music, anthropology and medicine.

SCHOLARSHIPS

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Ferrovial award to Beatriz Mingo Román for her PhD research on engineering with a focus on transports at University of Manchester.
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BBVA award to Nicole Crespo O'Donaghue for her masters in violin and performance at Royal Academy of Music.
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BUPA award to Carmen Tur Gómez for her masters studies on medical statistics at London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.
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Telefónica award to Rodrigo García González for his masters studies in innovative design engineering at Royal College of Arts and Imperial College London (working in partnership).
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Santander award to Gonzalo Velasco Berenguer for his PhD research on Philip II's role as King of England in the sixteenth century at University of Bristol.

BURSARIES

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BSS bursary to Catherine Sillitoe for her PhD research on comparative linguistics in Romance languages at University of Birmingham.
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BSS bursary to Marcus Davis for his masters studies on reconstructive microsurgery at Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona.
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BSS bursary to Elizabeth Rahman for her postdoctoral research on anthropology and the traditional knowledge of Canaria's older generations at University of Oxford.

2012 EDITION

BSS granted 5 awards and 4 bursaries.

SCHOLARSHIPS

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BBVA award to Katie McErlain for her PhD research on Golden Age Spanish comedies at University of Swansea.
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BUPA award to Irene Pla Navarro for her masters studies in neuroscience at King's College London.
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Santander award to James Stout for his PhD studies on sociology and its relations with sports at Ramon Llul University.
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Telefónica award for Isabel Martínez Garrido for her masters studies on guitar and performance at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama.
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Ferrovial award to Alberto Sancho for his masters studies on civil engineer at University of Sheffield.

BURSARIES

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BSS bursary to Stephen Murray for his PhD research on nineteenth century history of Basque migration to America at University of Warwick.
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BSS bursary to Sara García Rates for her PhD studies on neurodegeneration at University of Oxford – attendance to an international meeting.
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BSS bursary to Duncan Wheeler for his PhD research on the perception of Golden Age Drama in contemporary theatre – future publishing of a book.
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BSS bursary to Luis Martínez for his postdoctoral research on the relationship between England and Spain in the establishment of the International University in Santander at University of Liverpool.

2011 EDITION

BSS granted 4 scholarships and 3 bursaries – for PhD mainly – in fields such as literature, history, politics and sociology, medicine, engineering and music.

SCHOLARSHIPS



Ferrovial award to Carlos Moreno for his PhD project on engineering at University of Warwick.



Santander award to Simon McMahon for his PhD research on politic and sociology, Anglo-Spanish immigration particularly at King's College London.



BBVA award to Alejandro Horga for his postgraduate studies on neuromuscular disorders at the MRC Centre for Neuromuscular Diseases in London.



Telefónica award to Ricard Rovirosa for his masters on music and performance at Guildhall School of Music and Drama.

BURSARIES



BSS bursary to José Alberto Pérez Díez for his PhD research on the influence and echoes of Spanish literature on Shakespearean and Jacobean dramas at Warwick University.



BSS bursary to Mercedes Aguirre for her PhD research on British and American literary texts on the Spanish Civil War at University College of London.



BSS bursary to Catherine Scheybeler for her PhD project on Spanish Eighteenth Century history at King's College London.

2010 EDITION

BSS granted 5 scholarships – for PhD's – in areas such as politics, literature, medicine and history.

SCHOLARSHIPS



Cuatrecasas award for Óscar Martín García for his PhD studies on politic and diplomacy between Britain and Spain at CSIC, Madrid.



O2 award for Miguel Fernando González Zalba for his PhD project on physics and nanotechnology at Cambirdge University in collaboration with the Nanoscience Institute of Aragón.



BBVA award to Laura Fernández González for her PhD research on Spanish history and its architectural representation at University of Edimburgh.



Ferrovial award to Rhiannon McGlade for her PhD research on 20th century Catalan satire at University of Birmingham.



Santander award for Isabel Parés Moreno for her PhD project on neurology in the Institute of Neurology in London's Queen Square – with the support of the Department of Neurology at the University of Barcelona (UAB).

2009 EDITION

Second year ASS granted 5 scholarships in disciplines such as urban planning, Celtic music, medicine or marine archaeology.

SCHOLARSHIPS



Cuatrecasas award for Marian for her research along Profs John Gold and Jeremy MacClancey on urban planning at Oxford Brookes University.



O2 award for Marcos Fernández Barreros for his masters studies on Celtic music at Royal Academy of Music.



Abbey award for Elena Pérez Álvaro for her PhD research on illicit trade in marine archaeology at University College of London.



Ferrovial award for Raquel Pérez Rubio for her PhD studies on ovarian cancer at University College of London.



BBVA award for Robert Portass for his PhD project on Spanish Medieval history at University of Oxford.

2008 EDITION

First year ASS granted 7 scholarships – for PhD’s mainly - in many different disciplines ranging from medicine, to work placement assistance at a hospital, to linguistics, engineering or Spanish literature.

SCHOLARSHIPS



O2 award for David Lobina on his PhD project on linguistics at University of Barcelona.



BBVA award for Jackeline Agorreta for her project on lung cancer prevention at Oxford University.



Cuatrecasas award for John O’Neill for his PhD project on less known Spanish drama plays at King’s College London.



Second Cuatrecasas award for Slzen Yiacoup for her PhD project on Romanceros at King’s College London.



Abbey award for Miguel Fernández Longoria for his PhD project on Modern British History at UNED.



Ferrovial award for Ignacio García Faubel for his MBA engineering project at Universidad de Navarra.



AngloSpanish Society bursary for Michael Paddock for his three weeks abroad at Hospital Infantil Niño Jesús in Madrid.



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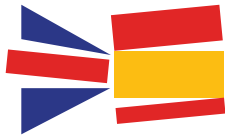
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