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Associate Professor. Departamento de Estructura Económica.	2012-2021
Assistant Professor. Departamento de Estructura Económica.	2008-2012

*Aston University, United Kingdom:*

Lecturer in Economics (with tenure). Aston Business School.	2004-2008
Research Fellow. Aston Business School.	2003-2004

*University of Warwick, United Kingdom:*

Teaching Assistant. Department of Economics.	2000-2003
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## EDUCATION

<i>University of Warwick, Warwick Business School, Ph.D.</i>	2004
<i>University of Warwick, Economics Department, M.Sc. in Economics</i>	1999
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- Medina-Albaladejo, F.J., Añón Higón, D., Díez-Minguela, A., Lana-Berasain, J.M. (2021) Old wine in new wineskins? Understanding the cooperative movement: Catalonia, 1860–1939, *European Review of Economic History*, 25(2), 328–354.
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- Añón Higón, D., J. A. Mañez, J. A. Sanchis (2018). Intramural and external R&D: evidence for complementarity or substitutability. *Economia Politica*, 35(2), 555-577.
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- Añón Higón, D., M. Manjón Antolín, J.A. Mañez Castillejo (2011). Multinationals, R&D & Productivity: Evidence for UK Manufacturing firms. *Industrial and Corporate Change*, 20(2), 641-659.
- Añón Higón, D., N. Vasilakos (2011). Foreign Direct Investment Spillovers: Evidence from the British Retail Sector. *The World Economy*, 34(4), 642-666.
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## RESEARCH GRANTS

- PID2024-159471OB-Ioo: "Firms in Transitions to Digitalisation and Decarbonisation". Sponsor: Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (93.750€). Period: 01/09/2025-31/08/28. PI(s): **D. Añón Higón**; A. Sanchis Llopis.
- PID2021-124266OB-Ioo: "The Digital and Technological Transformation in Industrial Firms: Factors that Facilitate/Hamper the Adoption of Emerging Technologies and Induced Changes in Firms' Strategies

and Performance". Sponsor: Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (107.448€). Period: 01/09/2022-31/08/25. PI(s): **D. Añón Higón**; P. Beneito López.

- CIPROM/2022/29: "The challenges of the digital economy: information, competition policy, regulation, transport, industry transformation, environment, inequality and gender". Sponsor: Conselleria de Cultura, Educació i Ciència. Generalitat Valenciana (600.000 €). Period: 01/01/2023-31/12/26.
- HIECPU/2023/4: "Evaluación de la eficiencia de las universidades públicas: determinantes y consecuencias". Sponsor: Conselleria d'Hisenda i Model Econòmic. Generalitat Valenciana (100.000€). Period: 01/09/2023-31/12/27.
- TED2021-130232B-Ioo: "The Digital Transformation in Spanish Firms: Factors that Facilitate/Hamper the Adoption of Digital Technologies and Induced Changes in Firms' Strategies and Performance (DIG-KIIS)". Sponsor: Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (166.060€). Period: 01/12/2022-30/11/24. PI(s): **D. Añón Higón**; P. Beneito López.
- ECO2017-86793-R: "Avances en Productividad en la Economía Globalizada Del Conocimiento: Distancia Tecnológica y Estrategias Empresariales (Internacionalización, Innovación, TIC, Biotecnología)". Sponsor: Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad (37.510 €). 2018-2021.
- ECO2014-55745-R: "Estrategias de Innovación en una Economía Internacionalizada: Complementariedades o Sustituibilidades, Competencia, 'Spillovers' Tecnológicos y Resultados Empresariales". Sponsor: Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad (40.000 €). 2015-2017.
- PROMETEOII/2014/054: "Economía del Comportamiento Estratégico". Sponsor: Conselleria de Cultura, Educació i Ciència. Generalitat Valenciana (245.425 €). 2014-2017.
- ECO2011-25033: "Competencia, Innovación y Productividad: Un análisis empírico". Sponsor: Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación. Dirección General de programas y transferencia del conocimiento (37.500 €). 2012-2014.
- PROMETEO 2009/068: "Grupo de Investigación en Economía del Comportamiento Estratégico". Sponsor: Conselleria de Cultura, Educació i Ciència. Generalitat Valenciana (404.830 €). 2009-2013.
- ECO2008-04576/ECON: "Análisis de las actividades innovadoras: dinámica, experiencia y resultados Innovadores". Sponsor: Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación. Dirección General de programas y transferencia del conocimiento (40.500 €). 2009-2011.
- EP/D01350X/1: "Intra-firm and Inter-firm knowledge transfers and productivity in the retailing sector". Sponsor: Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) (206.650£). 2005-2008.
- EP/D503981/1: "Closing the Gap: Moving to the Next Level. A Scoping Study". Sponsor: Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC) (52.879£). 2005-2006.

## RESEARCH CONTRACTS

- "TFP growth: Drivers, Components and Frontier firms". European Commission. 2016
- "R&D Strategies in the global economy: internal R&D investments, competition and international firm performance". Ayudas Fundación BBVA a Equipos de Investigación Científica. 2014-2016
- "The role of extensive and intensive margins in explaining R&D expenditure growth: evidence from Spain". Instituto Valenciano de Investigaciones Económicas (IVIE). 2009
- "Growing Inward and Indigenous Investment". Manchester Independent Economic Review. 2008
- "Innovation Index Mini Project 5: Innovation and Social Welfare". National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts (NESTA). 2008
- "Productivity, Spillovers and Human Capital: An Analysis for British Establishments using the ARD Database". Department of Trade and Industry (UK). 2006
- "Secondary Analysis of SBS Annual Small Business Survey 2004: Exporting, Growth and Innovation". UK Trade and Investment. 2006
- "Exploring Gender Differentials in Access to Finance an Econometric Analysis of Survey Data". Department for Innovation, Business & Skills. 2006

## EDITORIAL

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- Member of the advisory board of the *International Journal of Multinational Corporation Strategy*.
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## THESIS ADVISOR

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