Miguel Angel González-Simón

European Economic Analyst |Forecasting and Policy Research

Professional Experience

Economist

Funcas, Funcas Europe

- Conduct comprehensive analysis of European economic conditions and policy developments across EU member states.
- Author policy briefs and analysis pieces for Cuadernos de Información Económica (CIE) and Spanish and International Economic & Financial Outlook (SEFO) publications with a focus on comparative European economics.
- Present research findings at academic conferences and policy forums enhancing Funcas's visibility in European economic policy debates.

Economist (Graduate Program)

Bank of Spain, Directorate General Economics and Statistics, Madrid, Spain

- Conducted macroeconomic analysis and authored reports on Spain's economic developments for senior executives.
- Carried out policy evaluations and applied research projects in the areas of climate change, economic forecasting, and investment trends.
- Provided quarterly GDP nowcasts to senior management and contributed to the Eurosystem's forecasting initiatives.

Candidate, High Corps of Spanish State Economists and Trade Experts *Ministry of Economic Affairs, Madrid, Spain*

• Prepared for a senior economist role within the Spanish Public Administration.

Research Assistant

University of Alicante, Alicante, Spain

- Conducted literature reviews, econometric data analysis, and economic modelling for academic research projects.
- Supported the drafting and presentation of research findings in economics.

Publications & Research

Economic insights for a more integrated European defence industry — CIE and SEFO. July 2025.

Economic modelling analysis estimating that full EU defence market integration could increase industrial output notably through enhanced scale economies and cross-border knowledge transfers.

European housing policy insights: Lessons for Spain's market challenges — CIE and SEFO. March 2025. Comparative analysis of European housing policy frameworks identifying best practices for addressing Spain's housing market challenges.

The Draghi report and the Spanish economy Co-authored with Raymond Torres — CIE and SEFO. January 2025.

Policy assessment of Draghi report recommendations for enhancing Spanish economic competitiveness and productivity within EU framework.

May 2020 – June 2024

March 2022 - April 2024

September 2024 - Present

March 2017 – July 2017

Industrial production in the euro area: Navigating shocks, sectoral challenges, and global trade shifts — CIE and SEFO. November 2024.

An analysis of industrial production dynamics in the euro area, decomposing its decline into country-specific versus sectoral factors.

A disaggregated analysis of business investment since the outbreak of the pandemic Co-authored with Blanca Jiménez García and Carmen Martínez Carrascal — Economic Bulletin, Bank of Spain. April 2024. Micro-data analysis of post-pandemic business investment patterns focusing on financial and economic determinants.

Short-term real-time forecasting model for Spanish GDP (Spain-STING): New specification and reassessment of its predictive power Co-authored with Ana Gómez-Loscos and Matias Pacce — Occasional Document, Bank of Spain. March 2024.

Presented at Spanish Economic Association Symposium, Mallorca, December 2024. Developed a GDP nowcasting dynamic factor model that adapts to the COVID-19 pandemic's impact, using stochastic volatility associated with the factor.

Education

Master's Degree in Quantitative Economics University of Alicante, Alicante, Spain	September 2017 – July 2019
\circ Specialised in advanced econometric methods, macroeconomic theory, and microeconomic analysis.	
Degree in Economics (Exchange Program) Carlos III University, Madrid, Spain	September 2016 – July 2017
\odot Focused on econometrics, policy evaluation, and microeconomic theory.	
Degree in Economics University of Alicante, Alicante, Spain	September 2013 – July 2017
 Concentrated on macroeconomics, econometrics, and quantitative analysis. 	
Specialised Training	
Time Series Models for Macroeconomic Analysis I Barcelona School of Economics Summer School 2025, Barcelona, Spain	July 2025
 Acquired advanced macroeconometric techniques applicable to policy research. Instructor: Luca Gambetti 	
Local Projection Methods for Time Series and Panel Data CEMFI Summer School 2023, Madrid, Spain	September 2023
 Acquired advanced econometric techniques applicable to policy research. Instructor: Òscar Jordà 	
New Developments in the Econometrics of Heterogeneous Workers and Firm CEMFI Summer School 2022, Madrid, Spain	August 2022
 Gained insights into econometric modelling of labour markets and firm-level data. Instructor: Elena Manresa 	
Skills	

Languages: Spanish (native), English, Portuguese, Catalan Programming: Stata, Matlab, R, Python, LATEX