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# The Contribution of Economic Complexity for Regional Science

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César A. Hidalgo is a Chilean-Spanish-American scholar known for his contributions to economic complexity, data visualization, and applied artificial intelligence.

Hidalgo currently holds a Chair at the Artificial and Natural Intelligence Institute (ANITI) at the University of Toulouse. He is also an Honorary Professor at the University of Manchester and a Visiting Professor at Harvard's School of Engineering and Applied Sciences.

Between 2010 and 2019 Hidalgo led MIT's Collective Learning group, climbing through the ranks from Assistant to Associate Professor. Prior to working at MIT, Hidalgo was a research fellow at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government. Hidalgo is also a founder of Datawheel, an award winning company specialized in the creation of data distribution and visualization systems. He holds a PhD in Physics from the University of Notre Dame and a Bachelor in Physics from Universidad Católica de Chile.

Hidalgo's contributions have been recognized with numerous awards, including the 2018 Lagrange Prize and three Webby Awards. Hidalgo's is also the author of three books: *Why Information Grows* (Basic Books, 2015), *The Atlas of Economic Complexity* (MIT Press, 2014), and *How Humans Judge Machines* (MIT Press, Forthcoming 2020).



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