

CURRICULUM VITAE

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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Research Fellow at IDS (2018-present)

DATE OF BIRTH: 24/02/1975

NATIONALITY: Spanish

LANGUAGES: Spanish (native); English (fluent); French (written literacy, basic oral literacy)

THEMATIC EXPERTISE: Medical anthropology and humanitarian emergencies; ethics. Food security and livelihoods, health and nutrition. Ethnographic and participatory research of food systems;

GEOGRAPHICAL EXPERTISE: Nicaragua, UK, Occupied Palestinian Territory, Latin American region

OVERVIEW

Santiago Ripoll is a social anthropologist specialised in food security, health and nutrition. He uses ethnographic and participatory approaches to individual and behavioural change in health, food and nutrition systems and in the context of humanitarian emergencies. He holds a PhD in Social Anthropology, an MPhil in Development Studies and studied Veterinary Medicine as an undergraduate. He has applied a social science lens within trans- and inter-disciplinary research processes to influence policy and practice in humanitarian health emergencies and in public policy debates around food and agriculture. Much of his recent work is around health-seeking and vaccination practices in health emergencies and how those are shaped by social context and moral frameworks. He has experience conducting doing quantitative research (conducting and commissioning household surveys) and qualitative research (participatory research, ethnography, life stories, interviews, etc.). He is the Director of the Sussex University Social Science and Ethics Research Group (SSERG).

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2015	PhD in Social Anthropology University of Sussex
2004	MPhil in Development Studies Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex
1999	BSc Veterinary Medicine Complutense University of Madrid, Spain

RECORD OF EMPLOYMENT

2015 - present	<p>Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex</p> <p>[Dec 2021- ongoing] I am the PI for a British Academy funded ethnographic research project on Vaccine Hesitancy in G7 countries, titled 'Vaccine equity in multicultural urban settings: A comparative analysis of local government and community action, contextualised political economies, and moral frameworks in Toronto and Marseille'.</p> <p>[Jan 2017- ongoing] I am currently leading the anthropological research and networking component for the "Social Science for Humanitarian Emergencies" platform funded by Wellcome trust. Through our publications and networking, we help humanitarian organisations incorporate context-rich social science into their policy. I am currently supporting the Covid19 response, carrying out anthropological analysis to ensure responses are tailored to the specific contexts in which the pandemic is unfolding.</p>
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[Nov 2018- ongoing] I am supporting the research “Advocacy for Agroecology”, a project that aims to incorporate political economy approaches into the analysis of food systems and agricultural research.

2015-2017

Research Officer, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex

I co-led the project “Transitions to agroecological food systems: pathways to sustainability”, funded by the Carasso foundation and New Field Foundation, using participatory systems mapping and deliberative panels to map food systems for advocacy and action in Nicaragua, Senegal and the UK. I have also carried out research on youth and R&D for rural development for CIMMYT (CGIAR)

2013

Nutrition and Value Chains Consultant, Institute of Development Studies

Conducted a desk review on nutrition and agricultural value chains in Ghana and Nigeria for the DFID funded project ‘Strengthening Agri-food Value Chains for Nutrition’. The literature review included an analysis of the status of food security and Nutrition in Ghana and Nigeria, an in-depth analysis of value chains of agricultural products with high nutritional value in Nigeria, and an appraisal of value chain and nutrition policies in Nigeria.

2011-2012

Food Security Consultant. Food and Agriculture Organisation of the UN (FAO) and the Institute of Hunger Studies

I designed the multi-country research framework and implemented one of the country case studies in Ethiopia, for the project ‘A comparative study on institutional frameworks for food and nutrition security at a national level’

AFFILIATIONS & PREVIOUS POSITIONS

Co-Director Social Science and Ethics Research Group (2019-present)

SELECTED EXPERIENCE

2014- 2015

Food Security Research consultant. Royal Tropical Institute (KIT), Netherlands.

Food security advisory role in the creation of an impact assessment tool to assess the food security and nutrition impact of agriculture value chain interventions.

2008-2010

Research Officer (Food and Fairness Inquiry), Food Ethics Council, Brighton, UK.

Policy research on ethical issues in UK farming and global food systems. Quantitative and qualitative research; and multi-stakeholder workshop facilitation. Advocacy and communication. Research on water scarcity and agriculture.

2007- 2008

Food Security Analyst, Food and Agriculture Organization of the UN (FAO), Jerusalem, Occupied Palestinian Territories.

Food Security Analysis (Quantitative and Qualitative), Research in Social Protection and Right to Food, Coordination of the agricultural sector for appeals and instrument mainstreaming, Advocacy for the agriculture sector, monitoring of Gaza closure, agricultural project appraisal and design.

2006- 2007

Food Security Coordinator. Action Against Hunger- Spain. Jerusalem. Occupied Palestinian Territories.

FS strategy-building, FS project management (support to greenhouse cooperatives), needs assessment, and context analysis: concept note and project proposal writing.

FULL PUBLICATIONS AND OUTPUTS

Ripoll, Santiago (forthcoming). A framework for social science in epidemics. *Anthropology in Action*. March 2022.

Ripoll, Santiago (2021) The moral economy of labour and resistance to commoditisation in the Matagalpa highlands of Nicaragua, *The Journal of Peasant Studies*, DOI: [10.1080/03066150.2021.1928085](https://doi.org/10.1080/03066150.2021.1928085)

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Birgit Bichler, Elise Wach and Santiago Ripoll (2021). Participatory food systems analysis and transformation - methodological insights from a three-country initiative: Nicaragua, Senegal and England. *Landbauforsch-Journal of Sustainable and Organic Agricultural Systems* 70 (2): 157- 168. DOI:10.3220/LBF1614324857000

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Roelen, K., Ackley, C., Boyce, P., Farina, N. and Ripoll, S. (2020) Covid-19 in LMICs: the need to place stigma front and centre to its response. *The European journal of development research*, 1–21. Advance online publication. <https://doi.org/10.1057/s41287-020-00316-6>

McMurray, J., Doyle, M. and Ripoll, S. (2020). Questions of the Right and the Good: Metaethics and Anthropology. *Sentio journal* volume 2. <http://sro.sussex.ac.uk/id/eprint/94465/>

Bellwood-Howard, Imogen, and Santiago Ripoll (2020). "Divergent understandings of agroecology in the era of the African Green Revolution." *Outlook on Agriculture* 49 (2):103-10. doi: 10.1177/0030727020930353.

McGregor, H., Ripoll, S. and Melissa Leach (2020). Disease Outbreaks. Navigating uncertainty in preparedness and response. In: Scoones, I. and Stirling, A. (eds) 2020. *The Politics of Uncertainty: Challenges of Transformation*. London: Earthscan.

Ripoll, S. (2020) Death and Funerary Practices in the Context of Epidemics: Upholding the Rights of Religious Minorities. CREID working paper. Institute of Development Studies. <https://www.socialscienceinaction.org/resources/death-and-funerary-practices-in-the-context-of-epidemics-upholding-the-rights-of-religious-minorities/>

Market relations as social relations: Prices and the moral economy of corn and bean trading in rural Nicaragua. Ripoll, S. In: Luetchford, P. and Orlando, G. (eds.) 2019. *The Politics and Ethics of the Just Price: Ethnographies of Market Exchange*. Research in Economic Anthropology Vol. 39. Bingley: Emerald.

Ripoll S, Andersson J, Badstue L, et al. (2017) Rural transformation, cereals and youth in Africa: What role for international agricultural research? *Outlook on Agriculture* 46(3):168-177. doi:10.1177/0030727017724669

As good as it gets? The new Sandinismo the co-option of emancipatory rural politics in Nicaragua. Ripoll, S. Emancipatory Rural Politics Initiative (ERPI) working paper. The Hague: ISS.

"Failing Young People? Addressing the Supply-side Bias and Individualisation in Youth Employment Programming" Flynn, J., Mader, P. and Oosterom, M. with Ripoll, S. IDS Evidence Report 216. January 2017. IDS: Brighton

"Capacity building for alternative farming systems in Central Nicaragua: contributions of anthropology to the study of food sovereignty". Ripoll, S. Human Development Conference. September 2013. Managua.

"Hunger Amid Plenty" With E. Robinson and S. Botchway. *Public Health Today*, December 2013. p. 9: London. www.fph.org.uk/uploads/PHT%20Dec%202013_web.pdf

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<https://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/handle/20.500.12413/15313>

Ripoll, S. and Jones, T. (2019) The Context of Sofala and Manica in Relation to Cyclone Idai Response in Mozambique, UNICEF, IDS & Anthrologica. <https://opendocs.ids.ac.uk/opendocs/handle/20.500.12413/14618>

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Ripoll, S. (2018) Social and Cultural Factors Shaping Health and Nutrition, Wellbeing and Protection of the Rohingya within a Humanitarian Context, Institute of Development Studies / UNICEF.

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