

Curriculum Vitae

1. Personal Information

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Title: Dr

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2. Present Position

2006- Associate Professor (Reader) in Economics

3. Previous Positions

2001- 2006 Lecturer in Economics

2000 – 2001 Senior Research Fellow- Dept. of Economics, University of Southampton

1996 - 2000 Research Fellow- Department of Economics, University of Southampton

1995 - 1996 Lecturer- Department of Economics, University of Southampton

1993- 1994 Research Assistant - Department of Economics, University of Southampton

1991- 1993 Teaching Assistant - Department of Economics, University of Southampton

1988 -1990 Research Assistant, Department of Economics, The American University in Cairo

1986- 1987 Executive. The East Economic Company for Exports and Imports in Cairo.

4. Qualifications

1990- 1994 PhD in Economics, University of Southampton, UK.

1988- 1990 MA in Economics, The American University in Cairo, High Honours (90 %)

1982- 1986 BA in Economics, The American University in Cairo, High Honours (88%)

5. Honours, & Distinctions

2005 Winner of Best Policy Oriented Paper, Labour Theme. "The Effects of Structural Adjustment on Youth Unemployment in Egypt". Annual Conference of the Economic Research Forum (ERF). Cairo-Egypt.

2004 Invited by IntEnt to give a keynote speech on Migration and Entrepreneurship in the 2nd International Policy & Expert Meeting on 'Migration, Entrepreneurship & Development' on September 17th, 2004 in The Hague.

2001 The book "Labour and Human Capital in the Middle East", Salehi-Isfahani, D. (ed.), UK: Ithaca, 2001, where I contributed a chapter, has been selected as one of the 10 "Noteworthy Books in Industrial Relations and Labour Economics" for 2001 by Allan Krueger & the Industrial Relations Section of Princeton University.

1993-1994 Graduate Student scholarship, the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Southampton

1986 Nominated by the Department of Economics at the American University in Cairo to be a member of 'Omicron Delta Epsilon' (an international honour society in Economics at USA)

6. Grants

- 2009-2011 Large research grant from NORFACE, “Understanding migrants’ choices” PI.
- 2007-2008 Research support from FEMISE, “Unemployment, Job Quality and Labour Market Stratification in the MED Region: The cases of Egypt and Morocco” (joint with Mona Said)
- 2007-2008 Research support from GDN, “Informality : stepping stone or a dead end”
- 2002 Small grant, the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Southampton
- 1999-2002 Research support from Economic Research Forum, “Labour reforms, migration and mobility in Egypt”.
- 1999-2000 Research support from Centre for Economic Growth (EPIC), “Informalization of the Egyptian labour market”
- 1996 Research Support Fund, the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Southampton, project title “rural-urban migration in Egypt”

7. Research Interests

Main research interests: labour markets in developing countries.

Areas of focus: ((i) international migration, and remittances, (ii) internal migration iii) human capital investment, schooling and child labour, , (iv) impact of economic reforms on labour markets, (v) informal sector, (vi) unemployment and public sector.

8. Teaching

Undergraduate teaching: 1. Development Economics, 2. Labour Economics, 3. Introduction to Econometrics, 4. Applied Economics and the British Economy.

Graduate teaching: 1. Applied Development Economics, 2. Economic Policy in Development

9. Publications

a. Journal Articles

Are parents altruistic? Evidence from Mexico. *Journal of Population Economics*, forthcoming. (co-authored with Christian Schluter).

Child labour, Urban Proximity and Household Composition, *Journal of Development Economics*. April 2006, vol. 79, no 2, 374-397. (co-authored with Marcel Fafchamps).

The Influence of Market Wages and Parental History on Child Labour and Child Schooling in Egypt. *Journal of Population Economics*. November 2006, vol. 19, 832-852.

Density, social networks and job search methods: Theory and application to Egypt *Journal of Development Economics* , December 2005, vol. 78, 2, 443-473. (co-authored with Yves Zenou)

Why Do the Young and Educated in LDCs Concentrate in Large Cities? Evidence from Migration Data), *Economica*, February 2005, vol.72, 39-67. (Co-authored with Barry McCormick

Return International Migration and Geographical Inequality: The Case of Egypt (Co-authored with Barry McCormick) *Journal of African Economies*, December 2003, vol.12, no.4, 500-532 .

Did Public Jobs with Wage Premiums Fuel Agglomeration in LDCs? *Journal of Development Economics*, April 2003, vol. 70, 349-379. (Co-authored with Barry McCormick)

Overseas Work Experience, Savings and Entrepreneurship amongst Return Migrants to LDCs. *The Scottish Journal of Political Economy*, Special Issue, May 2001, vol.48, no2,164-178. (Co-authored with Barry McCormick).

Overseas Employment and Remittances to a Dual Economy, April 2000, *The Economic Journal*, vol. 110 no 463, pp.509-534. (Co-authored with Barry McCormick).

Liberalizing Trade in Financial Services: The Uruguay Round and the Arab Countries, July 1998, *World Development*, vol. 26 no. 7, pp.1331 -1348. (Co-authored with Mohieldin, M.).

The Transmission of Dutch Disease and Labour Migration, *Journal of International Trade and Economic Development*, September 1998, vol.7 no.3, pp.355-365.

b. Book Chapters

Why does the MENA region have such high unemployment rates? (co-authored with Fatma El Hamidi) in *Labour Markets in the Middle East and North Africa*, Youssef (ed) London: Routledge, forthcoming.

An Overview of Internal and International Migration in Egypt, in R. Assaad (ed) *Egypt's Labor Market Revisited*, Ch. 5. The American University in Cairo Press, 2009.

Returns to Overseas Work Experience: The Case of Egypt in *International Migration, Economic Development & Policy*, Ozdon, C. and Schiff, M. (eds.) Washington DC, The World Bank, 2007.

Does International Migration matter? A study of Egyptian return migrants, in *Arab Migration in a Globalised World*, May 2004, Geneva: International Organisation for Migration.

Labour mobility in Egypt: Are the 1990s any different from the 1980s?', in Assaad, R. (ed.) *The Labour Market in a Reforming Economy: Egypt in the 1990s*, Ch. 8, Cairo: The American University in Cairo Press, 2002.

Informalisation of Labour in Egypt, in Assaad, R. (ed.) *The Labour Market in a Reforming Economy: Egypt in the 1990s*, Ch. 4, Cairo: The American University in Cairo Press, 2002. (Co-authored with May Moktar)

Big Cities and Migration: Evidence from Egypt, In *Population Challenges in the Middle East & North Africa: Towards the 21st Century*, Ismail Sirageldin (ed.), The American University in Cairo Press, 2002. (Co-authored with Barry McCormick).

Returns to Education and Regional Earnings Differentials in Egypt. In *Labour and Human Capital in the Middle East*, Salehi-Isfahani, D. (ed.), Chapter 10, UK: Ithaca, 2001.

The Uruguay Round and Trade in Financial Services in the Arab Countries, (Co-authored with Mohieldin, M.), *In Opening Doors to the World : A new Trade Agenda for the Middle East*, El-Safadi, R. (ed), Ch. 4, Canada: International Development Research Centre, 1998.

c. Discussion Papers

Out of Sight, Out of Mind: Migration, Entrepreneurship and Social Capital. 2009, CREAM DP 31/09, IZA DP4541, CEPR DP7552. (Co-authored with Yves Zenou).

Illegal Migration, Wages, and Remittances: Semi-Parametric Estimation of Illegality Effects, IZA DP 4527, 2009, (Co-authored with Christian Schluter).

Informality in Egypt: a stepping stone or a dead end? ERF working paper 456, 2009.

Return International Migration and Geographical Inequality: The Case of Egypt (Co-authored with Barry McCormick) January 2004, WIDER Research Paper, United Nations University: World Institute for Development Economic Research.

Density, social networks and job search methods: Theory and application to Egypt (co-authored with Yves Zenou). 2003, CEPR no.3967.

Do Market Wages Influence Child Labour and Child Schooling? *World Bank Social Protection Working Paper*, No. 0024, The World Bank, Washington, DC, December 2000.

d. Professional Journals

The bright lights of cities in the developing world, *Economic Review*, 26 (4), April 2009, 27-30.

International Migration and Education, *The Forum*, vol. 15, no. 2, Summer 2008,. 4-8.

Keeping up with the Jones, *Economic Review*, 22 (1), September 2004, 8-11.

Women in MENA Labour Markets, *The Forum*, vol. 10, no 1, Spring 2003, 26-27.

Child Labour in the Twenty-first Century, *Economic Review*, 18 (2), November 2000, 4-8.

Urbanization in Developing Countries, *Economic Review*, 14 (2), November 1996, 4-8.

10. Consultancy and policy work

A study on the effects of the new labour law on informality in Egypt, Population Council, UN, 2008.

A study on return migration for the OECD, 2007.

A study on the effects of return migration in Egypt for the World Bank (Research Department) 2006.

A study on international migration, education and market failure in MENA for the World Bank (MENA Department) 2005.

Advice on recommendations, for the OECD International Conference, on “Migration, Remittances, and Economic Development of the Sending Countries” Marrakech, Feb. 2005.

International expert for ETF (EU) on the functioning of the labour markets in the Mediterranean Region and the implications for employment policy and training systems: 2004 – 2005.

Paper on entrepreneurship & return migration in Egypt for the IOM, 2004.

Report on the health labour markets in developing countries, for the Rockefeller Foundation 2003.

Study on unemployment and informalisation in MENA, for the World Bank, 2003. Contributor to the World Bank Report on MENA labour markets, entitled, "Unlocking the Employment Potential in the Middle East and North Africa"- 2004.

Study on child labour in Egypt for the World Bank, June 2000.

Investigator, Egypt Labour Market Survey 1998. Responsible for the mobility module. 1998-2000.

11. Major Conferences

2008: Migration & Development Conference, Lille.

2007: ERF Annual Conference in Cairo.

2006: Conference on Immigration Impacts, Integration and intergenerational issues (UCL, London); Inaugural Conference, Centre for Economic Development and Institutions (Brunel University, UK).

2005: OECD International Conference on "Migration, Remittances, and Economic Development of the Sending Countries" Marrakech.

2004: ABCDE conference –Europe, Belgium: invited to present at the Annual World Bank Conference on Development Economics. ERF 11th Annual Conference in Beirut: Chair of the labour theme refereeing committee.

2003: ERF-IDRC workshop on the enabling environment for the private sector in MENA, Cairo. ERF 10th Annual Conference in Morocco.

2002: European Society for Population Economics Annual Conference (ESPE), WIDER & CSAE conference on Spatial inequality in Africa, at Oxford, Economic Research Forum (ERF) for Arab countries, Iran and Turkey, Annual Conference in UAE.

2001: European Society for Population Economics Annual Conference (ESPE), WIDER Conference on poverty and inequality in Helsinki. Middle East Economic Association 1st European Conference in London.

2000: Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (RES); European Society for Population Economics Annual Conference (ESPE), and World Congress of the European Association of Labour Economics & Society of Labour Economics (EALE/ SOLE). ERF Annual Conference in Amman.

1999: European Association of Labour Economics Annual Conference (EALE); the European Society for Population Economics Annual Conference (ESPE). ERF Annual Conference in Cairo.

1998: ERF Annual Conference in Tunis.

1997: European Economic Association Annual Conference in Toulouse (EER). ERF Annual Conference in Beirut.

1996: ERF Annual Conference in Kuwait.

1995: ERF Annual Conferences in Rabat, and Istanbul.

1994: UNICEF Conference on "Access to Primary Education and its Quality in Egypt".

12. Other Academic and Professional Activities

Associate Adviser for the British Council.

Managing Editor for the Economic Review (since December 2005)

Member of the Editorial Board of the Routledge MENA Series (since 2008)

Affiliation

Research Fellow of IZA since February since 2005.

Member of the IZA Child Labor Network since 2007.

Research Fellow of the Economic Research Forum (ERF) in Cairo since 2002.

Refereeing

Refereeing for major Journals: The Economic Journal, Oxford Economic Papers, Oxford Bulletin for Economics and Statistics, Labour Economics, Canadian Journal of Economics, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of African Economies, Regional Science and Urban Economics and World Development.

Refereeing for major conferences: ERF annual conference (2007-09); ERF eleventh annual conference (chair of labour committee) (2004), ERF tenth annual conference (2003) and the Latin American Countries Econometric Association (LACEA) Annual Conference.

Refereeing for research bodies: ESRC (2007, 2005, 2004); Leverhulme Trust (2007); FEMISE (EU) Grant Programme (2008, 2006; 2004); GERPA (2006).

Books Reviews: Oxford University Press, Pearson Education, Wiley & Sons.