

Curriculum Vitae

1. Personal Information

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Title: Professor

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2. Present Position

2012- Professor of Economics

2008- Leader of Migration Research, ESRC Centre for Population Change at University of Southampton.

3. Previous Positions

2006 - 2012 Associate Professor (Reader) in Economics

2007 - 2008 Head of Economics Teaching Programmes, University of Southampton

2003 - 2006 Programme Director, MSc in Economic Development and Policy Analysis

2001 - 2006 Lecturer in Economics (Tenure awarded 2002)

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

4. Affiliation

2012- Member of the ERF Advisory Committee

2011- Research Fellow of CReAM, UCL, London

2011- Member of the Scientific International Migration Panel of IUSSP (International Union for the Scientific Study of Population)

2007- Member of the IZA Child Labor Network

2005- Research Fellow of IZA (Institute of Labor Study, Bonn)

2002- Research Fellow of the Economic Research Forum (ERF), Cairo

5. 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%)

6. 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.

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.

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).

7. Grants and Research Funding

- 2012-2014 ESRC/DFID (Poverty Alleviation Scheme), “Temporary Migration and Economic Development: the Triple-Win Policy Vision applied to North Africa”, Principal Investigator.
- 2011-2012 ESRC, Collaborative Analysis of Microdata Resources: China-South Africa Pathfinder Research Projects, on “Assessing the impact of internal labour migration on intergenerational support, health and income: the cases of China and South Africa” Co-investigator.
- 2011-2012 FEMISE, Return Migration in South Mediterranean Countries: Determinants, Impact and Policy Implications, Principal Investigator.
- 2010-2011 ERF, The Economic and non Economic Consequences of Migration, Principal Investigator.
- 2009-2012 NORFACE, “Understanding migrants’ choices” large research grant, Principal Investigator.
- 2007-2008 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 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”
- 1993-1994 Graduate Student scholarship, the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Southampton

8. Research Interests

Main research interests: Labour Economics and Development Economics. In particular: migration and labour markets in developing countries.

International Migration: Return migration: determinants and impact of return migration on country of origin; entrepreneurship, human capital accumulation of migrants; Remittances and impact of overseas migration on those left behind; Migrants’ labour market experience in host countries; welfare state generosity and migration skill selectivity

Labour mobility: sectoral mobility; interregional mobility

Labour market: role of social networks, role of economic reforms, informal sector, unemployment.

9. 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

10. Publications

a. Journal Articles

Out of Sight, Out of Mind: Migration, Entrepreneurship and Social Capital. *Regional Science and Urban Economics* (Co-authored with Yves Zenou) forthcoming.

Are parents altruistic? Evidence from Mexico. *Journal of Population Economics*, June 2010, vol 23, no. 3, 1025-1046 (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

Welfare Migration (Co-authored with C. Giulietti), the *International Handbook on the Economics of Migration*, Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd. forthcoming (2012).

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, 2010.

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

Welfare Magnet Hypothesis, Fiscal Burden and Immigration Skill Selectivity, 2011, NBER 17515 (Co-authored with A. Razin).

The Impact of Labour Market Dynamics on the Return-Migration of Immigrants", IZA Discussion Paper No. 5722, May 2011 (Co-authored with G. Bijwaard and C. Schluter).

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? 2009, ERF working paper 456.

d. Professional Journals

Perspectives on Migration, *Economic Review* 29(4), April 2012, 24-26.

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

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

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.

e. Non-Technical Papers

Migration Policy and Welfare State in Europe, *CESifo DICE Report*, forthcoming Winter 4/2011. (Co-authored with A. Razin).

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

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

f. Policy Reports

Labour Markets Performance and Migration Flows in Arab Mediterranean Countries: Determinants and Effects, European Commission, European Economy. Occasional Papers. 60. May 2010. Brussels.

International migration, education and market failure in MENA, 2008: for the World Bank, Ch. 8.

Employment Policy Reforms in the Middle East and North Africa, 2005: for ETF. Ch. 3

On the macroeconomic impact of remittances on the home country, 2005: for OECD, Ch 9.

g. Work in Progress

Selection, Selection, Selection: Labour market Outcomes of Return Migrants.

The Left Behind Entrepreneurs in China (Co-authored with C. Giulietti and K. Zimmermann).

Social Networks in the UK: A cautionary Tale (Co-authored with C. Giulietti and C. Schluter)

Job Turnover and Wage Differentials between Migrants and Natives: The case of Germany (C-authored with P. Nanos and C. Schluter)

11. Consultancy and policy work

Labour Markets Performance and Migration Flows in Egypt, EC and EUI, 2009.

The effects of the new labour law on informality in Egypt, IDRC/Population Council, 2008.

Return migration and Entrepreneurship, study 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.

Unemployment and informalisation in MENA, study for the World Bank, 2003.

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

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

Child labour in Egypt, study for the World Bank, June 2000.

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

12. Invitations as Expert on Migration:

- 2008 Round table Speaker on entrepreneurship and investments of return migrants, OECD Conference on "Migration, Return and Development" Milan.
- 2007 Speaker at OECD Experts' meeting on return migration and development, Paris.
- 2005 Roundtable Panellist on: Impact of remittances on the balance of payments, inflation and exchange rates, OECD International Conference on Migration, remittances and Development in the Sending Countries, Marrakesh.
- 2004 Keynote Speech on Migration and Entrepreneurship in the 2nd International Policy & Expert Meeting on 'Migration, Entrepreneurship & Development' on September 17th, in The Hague, organised by IntEnt.

13. Conferences and Invited Seminars (last 3 years)

- 2012 ESRC Pathfinders Workshop – South Africa, CASS-ESRC Pathfinders workshop – Beijing, NORFACE 3rd Conference- Mannheim, ERF annual conference- Cairo; CHOICES Workshop- the Hague, Innovative Perspectives on Population Mobility Conference, St Andrews University.
- 2011 World Development Report 2013 Conference, BMZ/GIZ/World Bank – Berlin; World Development Report 2013 Workshop, IZA/World Bank – Bonn; Conference on Migration in the Arab Region: Impact and Consequences, ERF – Beirut; Workshop on the Jordanian Labour Market in the new Millennium, Jordan; 4th Migration & Development Conference at Harvard University. ERF/FEMISE Workshop on Migration in the Arab Region– Istanbul. ERF Annual Conference in Antalya; NORFACE “Migration: Economic Change, Social Challenge” Conference at UCL, London. Seminar and Research Visit, University of Luxembourg; Seminar and Research Visit, Université Catholique de Louvain, Belgium; Seminar and Research Visit, Cornell University..
- 2010 African Econometric Society Meeting in Cairo; ESRC-CASS Labour Markets and Migration Workshop in St Andrews; NORFACE Workshop (UCL) London; MPI/ESRC Transatlantic Roundtable Migration Event, 3rd Migration and Development Conference in Paris.

14. Other Academic and Professional Activities

- 2000- Associate Adviser for the British Council
- 2005- Managing Editor for the Economic Review
- 2008- Member of the Editorial Board of the Routledge MENA Series
- 2011- External Examiner for Postgraduate Studies, Royal Holloway, University of London.

Refereeing

Refereeing for major Journals: The Economic Journal, Journal of Development Economics, 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, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Revue Economique and World Development.

Refereeing for major conferences: ERF annual conference (2003, 2004, 2007-11); ERF eleventh annual conference (chair of labour committee 2004), and the Latin American Countries Econometric Association (LACEA) Annual Conference.

Refereeing for research bodies: Luxembourg National Research Fund (2011), Research Council AuL, Belgium (2011), ESRC (2010, 2008, 2007, 2005, 2004); Leverhulme Trust (2007); FEMISE (2008, 2006; 2004); GERPA (2006).

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

15. Media Coverage

Migration in MENA, Akhbar Elyom, 24 Nov 2011 (in Arabic).

A better life for all, Alahram weekly, 24-30 Nov 2011.

Experts urge more engagement with MENA migrants, The daily news Egypt.com, 23 Nov 2011.

“With a little help from your friends” ESRC Britain in 2012.

ESRC website: Jobless prefer to leave, 13 July 2011.

ESRC website & DFID website, New research to reduce poverty, 29 November 2011.

Capturing differences between free and controlled immigration: Country bilateral data, Voxeu, March 2011.