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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

- 2013** Doctor of Philosophy (PhD, Finance), Salford Business School, University of Salford, Greater Manchester, UK.
Title of the Thesis: *“The Impact of Financial and Non-Financial Measures on Banks’ Financial Strength Ratings: The Case of The Middle East”*
- 2003** Master of Business Administration (MSc, Finance & Banking), Arab Academy for Science & Technology, Cairo, Egypt.
- 1999** Bachelor Degree in Accounting, Ain Shames Business School (English Section), Ain Shames University, Egypt

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 1999-2013** **Teaching Assistant / Senior Teaching Assistant** - Faculty of Business Administration and International Trade, Department of Accounting and Finance, Misr International University (MIU), Cairo, Egypt
- 2013-2019** **Assistant Professor of Finance** - Faculty of Business Administration and International Trade, Department of Accounting and Finance, Misr International University (MIU), Cairo, Egypt.
- 2013-2019** **Assistant Professor of Finance-** ESLSCA Business School (*postgraduate studies*), Cairo, Egypt
- 2018-2019** **Adjunct Assistant Professor of Finance-** School of Business, American University in Cairo (AUC), Cairo, Egypt
- 2019-Present** **Visiting Assistant Professor of Finance-** School of Business, American University in Cairo (AUC), Cairo, Egypt

TEACHING

Teaching Philosophy

My teaching philosophy can be summarized as follows:

- Prepare and stimulate students to acquire skills of critical thinking
- Going deeper and behind the exact meaning of theories
- Prepare and motivate students to link theoretical concepts with real-life problems
- Enhance the students' capabilities to use several references and depend heavily on library materials and databases
- Introduce case studies that help students to enhance their logical thinking and problem solving.
- Convince students that education is life-time continues process
- Put students under some exam-and-assessments' pressures that push them to excel their inner skills. This is necessary for their maturity and personality-building
- Build trust between me and the students and teach them that honesty is a moral rather than an attitude and good education is usually built on good ethics and values.
- Collaborating with my colleagues in curriculum developments and the introduction of new/advanced ideas and teaching techniques
- Help students to acquire special skills and values of community service and teach them that education is a major determinant of economic development and fighting poverty

Courses Taught (Undergraduate Level; U Graduate Level; G)

Financial Management I (U & G)

Financial Management II (U)

Corporate Finance (G)

Banking Management (U & G)

Investment Management (U)

Special topics in Finance (U)

Investment and Portfolio Management (U & G)

Principals of Accounting (U)

Accounting for Partnership and Corporation (U)

Accounting for Managers (G)

RESEARCH

Research Philosophy

My research philosophy can be summarized as follows:

- The literature review about a phenomenon must be critical and deep in a way that includes the up-to-date knowledge and substantive theoretical contributions and methodological and empirical findings. The quality of a literature review is a first step towards high-quality research.
- The data about a phenomenon should be gathered from reliable sources, analyzed deeply and processed in a way that ensures the robustness and un-biasedness of empirical findings for high- quality research. On the one hand, what is known to be true guides initial steps of the research. On the other hand, what is believed to be true must be tested and assessed using various techniques and robustness tests.
- Empirical findings of any research must be read carefully and their limitations must be highlighted. This opens the door for further research and contributions.

Research Focus

- My research focuses on the field of Corporate Finance and Banking Management, specifically transparency in relation to financial decisions and banking management.
- Findings and results of my research appeared in a number of international journals: Research in Finance, Advances in Quantitative Analysis of Finance and Accounting, Journal of Emerging Market Finance and Journal of Finance and Bank Management. I am now in the process of building a research agenda in related areas.

PUBLICATIONS

International Referred Journals

- Sami, M. and Abdallah, W.M. (2021) “Assessing the Impact of Dividend Policy on the Sustainability of Distressed Firms”, *Journal of Modelling in Management*, forthcoming (ABDC rating: C)
- Sami, M. and Abdallah, W.M. (2020) “How does the Cryptocurrency Market affect the Stock Market performance in the MENA Region?”, *Journal of Economic and Administrative Sciences*, forthcoming (ABDC rating: C)
- Sami, M. and Abdallah, W.M. (2020) “Cryptocurrency and Stock Markets: Complements or Substitutes? Evidence from Gulf Countries”, *Applied Finance Letters*, Vol. 9, pp. 25-35 (ABDC rating: B)
- Abdou, H.A , Abdallah, W.M, Mulkeen, J. , Ntim, C. and Wang, Y. (2017) “ Prediction of Financial Strength Ratings using Machine Learning and Conventional Techniques”, *Investment Management and Financial Innovations* , 14 (4), pp. 194-211. (ABDC rating: B)
- Eldomiaty, T., Azzam, I., El Din, M., Abdallah, W.M and Mohamed, Z. (2017) “An Empirical Assessment of the Reality of Pecking Order Theory”, *Growing Presence of Real Options in Global Financial Markets, Research in Finance*, Vol. 33, Emerald Publishing Limited, pp. 43-72 (ABDC rating: C)
- Eldomiaty, T., Abdallah, W.M and Attia, O, (2016) “Empiricism of Corporate Debt Safe Buffer”, *Advances in Financial Planning and Forecasting*, Vol. 7, pp. 27-75
- Eldomiaty, T., Fikri, A., Abdallah, W.M and Hesham, H. (2015) “The Financial Determinants of Operating Efficiency for Low and High Competitive Banks in Egypt”, *Journal of Finance and Bank Management*, 3(2), pp. 7-23.
- Eldomiaty, T., Attia, O, Abdallah, W.M and Kamal,M. (2015) “How Do Managers Manage Dividend Growth Rates?”, *Overlaps of Private Sector with Public Sector Around the Globe, Research in Finance*, Vol. 31, pp. 105 – 134.(ABDC rating: C)
- Eldomiaty, T., Ismail, M.A. and Abdallah, W.M (2012) “Testing A Potential Signaling of Capital Structure Decisions in Transitional Market: Subset Model Selection Approach”, *Advances in Quantitative Analysis of Finance and Accounting*, 10 (1), pp. 255-283. (ABDC rating: B)
- Abdallah, W.M, Eldomiaty, T. and Abdou, H.A. (2011) “The Effect of Bank Capital Structure and Financial Indicators on CI’s Financial Strength Ratings: The Case of The Middle East”, *Banks and Bank Systems*, 6(3), pp. 5-15. (ABDC rating: C)
- Eldomiaty, T., Charara, S. and Abdallah, W.M (2011) “Monitoring the Systematic and Unsystematic Risk in Dubai General Index Do Financial Fundamentals Help?” *Journal of Emerging Market Finance*, 10(3), pp. 285-310. (ABDC rating: B)

Conferences

- “Determinants of Operating Efficiency for Lowly and Highly Competitive Banks in Egypt” *Cambridge Business & Economics Conference*, Cambridge, UK, 27 -28 June 2011

- “The Effect of Bank Capital Structure and Financial Indicators on CI’s Financial Strength Ratings: The Case of the Middle East” *2nd World Finance Conference*, Rhodes, Greece, 15- 17 June 2011.

TRAINING AND CONSULTATIONS

- November 2020** “Corporate Finance Module” as part of Africa's Credit program to CIB (Commercial International Bank), Nairobi, Kenya (Virtual)
- April 2019** “Finance for non-Finance Management” Training program to El Sewedy Power System Projects, Cairo, Egypt
- October 2018** “Cost Accounting for Control & Decision making” Training program to Arab Air Carriers’ Organization- Regional Training Center (AACO RTC), Cairo, Egypt.
- March 2018** “Financial Analysis” Training program at Top Business Human Resources Consultants, Cairo, Egypt.
- September 2017** “Cost Accounting for Control & Decision making” Training program to Arab Air Carriers’ Organization- Regional Training Center (AACO RTC), Cairo, Egypt.
- August 2017** “Corporate Valuation” Training program at Top Business Human Resources Consultants, Cairo, Egypt.
- May 2017** “Financial Analysis” Training program at Top Business Human Resources Consultants, Cairo, Egypt.
- January 2017** “Finance for non-Finance Management” Training program to Gulf Air Country Mangers as part of “Country Managers Development Program”, Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain.
- May 2015** “Finance for non-Finance Management” Training program to Bel North East Africa Region Junior Management and Supervisory level as a part of “Management Development program”, Cairo, Egypt.

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

- Thirteen years ago, I managed to introduce MIU SMS (Stock Market Simulation). I am very proud that the simulation completed its 13th annual rounds successfully.
- It is an academic multitasking event, which introduces and familiarizes students with basics and dynamics of operations and technicalities of the Stock Market.
- It should be highlighted that the interaction between students in this simulation promotes some very important social skills such as team-working, communication skills, negotiating abilities and working under tough deadlines.

- Community service is among the most important objectives of this simulation, where SMS invites school students to join, participate and learn basics of the stock market. This is a high-value added objective that contributes in helping new generations to familiarize themselves with financial markets and institutions.

TEACHING EVALUATIONS

All teaching evaluation scores below are based on a 5 point scale where 1=unsatisfactory and 5=Excellent

Semester	Misr International University (MIU)						ESLSCA Business School (MBA)				American University in Cairo (AUC)			
	FIN 206	FIN 341	FIN 342	FIN 401	FIN 444	ACT 101	ACT 102	ACC 511	FIN 521	FIN 641	FIN 642	FINC 404/3201	FINC 303/2101	FINC 414/4301
Spring 2015		4.49	4.50						4.3					
Fall 2015	4.53					4.67		4.7		4.5				
Spring 2016		4.24					4.28		4.6					
Fall 2016	4.33		4.50					4.8		4.27	4.5			
Spring 2017				4.20					4.5		4.4			
Fall 2017				4.40					4.6		4.5			
Spring 2018				4.70					4.6	4.65	4.67			
Fall 2018				4.4					4.5	4.5	4.4			
Spring 2019				4.5					4.5	4.5	4.5			
Fall 2019											4.7	4.56		
Spring 2020											4.81		4.54	
Summer 2020												4.60		
Fall 2020											4.20			

ACT 101: Principles of Accounting

ACT 102: Accounting for Partnership and Corporation

ACC 511: Accounting for Managers

FIN 206/FIN 201: Financial Management I

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FIN341/ FIN 202: Financial Management II
FIN 342: Banking Management
FIN 401: Investment Management
FIN 444: Special Topics in Finance
FIN 521: Financial Management
FIN 641: Banking Asset and Liability Management
FIN 642: Investment and Portfolio Management
FINC 404/3201: Investment Analysis
FINC 303/2101: Business Finance I
FINC 414/4301: Corporate Finance

PERSONAL DATA

Full Name: Wael Mostafa Sayed Abdallah

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