

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Personal Information

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### Current Position

Associate Professor,  
Department of Economics, The American University in Cairo.

### Education

- Ph. D. in Economics, September 1998, University of Houston, Houston, Texas, U.S.A. Supervisor: Professor David Papell.
- M. A. in Economics, May 1993, University of Houston, Houston, Texas, U.S.A.
- B. A. in Economics (Highest Honors), June 1985, The American University in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt.

### Employment History

- September 2006 – present: Associate Professor, Department of Economics, The American University in Cairo.
- April 2008 – August 2010: Chair of the Department of Economics, The American University in Cairo.
- September 2000 – August 2006: Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, The American University in Cairo.
- September 1999 - August 2000: Adjunct faculty member, Department of Economics, The American University in Cairo.

- September 1995 - September 1998: Instructor, Economics Department, University of Houston, Houston, Texas, U.S.A.
- January 1994 - August 1995: Teacher, B.B.C. Language School, Cairo, Egypt.
- June 1993 - December 1993: Instructor, Economics Department, University of Houston, Houston, Texas, U.S.A.
- January 1991 - May 1993: Research Assistant, Economics Department, University of Houston, Houston, Texas, U.S.A.
- January 1987 - December 1988: Assistant Management consultant, Team International, Cairo, Egypt.
- June 1985 - August 1986: Trainee, Arab African International Bank, Cairo, Egypt.

### **Research Interests**

- Macroeconomics
- International Economics
- Applied Time Series Econometrics

### **Teaching**

- Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory
- International Monetary Economics
- Introduction to Macroeconomics
- Introduction to Microeconomics

### **Publications**

- “An Examination of Inflation Persistence in the MENA Region,” Abstract, Proceedings of 2015 International Business Conference, 2015.
- “Time Series Tests of Growth: An Application to MENA Countries,” with Ruxandra Prodan, Abstract, Proceedings of 2012 Rome European Academic Conference, 2012.
- “Are Incomes of MENA Countries Converging?” Abstract, Proceedings of The Annual London Conference on Money, Economy and Management, 2009.

- "The Effect of Devaluation on Output in the Egyptian Economy: A Vector Autoregression Analysis," with Sahar Mohamed Abdel Halim, International Research Journal of Finance and Economics, No. 14, March 2008.
- "Purchasing Power Parity in Arab Countries," Directions in Business and Administrative Sciences: Book of Abstracts of the 2006 International Conference of the Academy of Business and Administrative Sciences, Switzerland, 2006.
- "Using Panel Data Models to Test for a Unit Root in Inflation Rates," Global Review of Business and Economic Research, Vol. 1, No. 2, 2005.
- "Purchasing Power Parity in Arab Countries," *Economic Studies*, Published by the Center for Economic and Financial Research and Studies (CEFRS), Cairo University, September 2005.
- "Testing for Purchasing Power Parity in a Panel of Middle-Eastern Countries," Refereed Proceedings of the 2005 European Applied Business Research Conference, Greece, June 2005.
- "Testing for Unit Roots in the Presence of Multiple Trend Breaks: An Application to Chilean Inflation Rate Series", The International Business & Economics Research Journal, Vol. 4, No. 11, 2005.
- "Testing for Purchasing Power Parity in a Panel of Middle-Eastern Countries," The International Business & Economics Research Journal, Vol. 4, No. 12, 2005.
- "Essays on Testing for Unit Roots in Inflation Rates," Ph.D. Dissertation, University of Houston, 1998.

### **Conference Presentations**

- "An Examination of Inflation Persistence in the MENA Region," Presented at the 2015 International Business Conference, New York, U.S.A., August 2015.
- "Inflation Persistence in Egypt: An Extension" Presented at the Conference of the International Academy of Business and Public Administration Disciplines (IABPAD), Florida, U.S.A., January 2014.

- “Inflation Persistence in Egypt” Presented at the International Journal of Arts and Sciences (IJAS) Conference for Academic Disciplines, Prague, Czech Republic, May 2013.
- “Inflation Persistence in Egypt” Presented at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2013 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Associations (ASSA), San Diego, California, U.S.A., January 2013.
- “Time Series Tests of Growth: An Application to MENA Countries” Presented at the 2012 Rome European Academic Conference, Rome, Italy, June 2012.
- “Time Series Tests of Growth: An Application to MENA Countries” Presented at the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2012 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Associations (ASSA), Chicago, Illinois, U.S.A., January 2012.
- “A Re-examination of Income Convergence among Arab Countries” Presented at the 30th Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2010 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA), Atlanta, Georgia, January 2010.
- “Are Incomes of MENA Countries Converging?” Presented at The Annual London Conference on Money, Economy and Management, Imperial College, London, U.K., July 2009.
- "Are Incomes of Arab Countries Converging?" Presented at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, January 2008.
- "The Effect of Devaluation on Output in the Egyptian Economy: A Vector Autoregression Analysis," Presented at the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association, Chicago, Illinois, USA , January 2007.
- "Purchasing Power Parity in Arab Countries," Presented at the 2006 Academy of Business and Administrative Sciences International Conference, Switzerland, July 2006.

- "Testing for Purchasing Power Parity in a Panel of Middle-Eastern Countries," Presented at the 2005 European Applied Business Research Conference, Greece, June 2005.
- "Testing for Unit Roots in Series Interrupted by Stabilization Plans," Presented at the 73rd Annual Conference of the Southern Economic Association, San Antonio, Texas, U.S.A., November 2003.

### **Other Conference Activities**

- Chair, Monetary and Fiscal Economics Session, Fourth Euro-African Conference in Finance and Economics, Cairo, Egypt, May 2012,
- Discussant, "Against the Wind: Labor Force Participation of Women in Iran", 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association, Denver, Colorado, USA, January 2011.
- Member of Organizing Committee, 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the African Econometric Society, Cairo, Egypt, July 2010.
- Member of the Scientific Committee, 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the African Econometric Society, Cairo, Egypt, July 2010.
- Chair, Monetary Policy III Session, 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the African Econometric Society, Cairo, Egypt, July 2010.
- Discussant, "The Role of Government in Regional Convergence in Turkey", 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, January 2008.
- Discussant, "Time Series Approaches to Testing Income Convergence in MENA Countries", 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association, Chicago, Illinois, USA, January 2007.

### **Thesis Supervision**

- Lamia Donia, "Determinants of Banking Sector Development in Emerging Economies: Panel Estimation," (Reader and examiner. Defended. December 2012).
- Rasha Hammam, "Determinants of Egypt's Economic Growth for the period 1985-2007," (Reader and examiner. Defended. Spring 2010).

- Sally George, “The Product Cycle Hypothesis and Industrialization of South East Asian Economies,” (Reader and examiner. Defended. Summer 2008).
- Yasmine Mahdi, “Comparative Efficiency of Foreign Firms and Local Firms in Egypt,” (Reader and examiner. Defended. Spring 2007).
- Sahar Mohamed Abdel Halim, “The Effect of Devaluation on Output in the Egyptian Economy: A Vector Autoregression Analysis,” (Supervisor. Defended. Summer 2006).
- Hanan Hamid Selim, “Foreign Direct Investment and Intellectual Property Rights Protection: TRIPS Economics for Developing Economies and their Pharmaceutical Sectors,” (Reader and examiner. Defended. Spring 2006).
- Marwa Taha El Arif, “The Tying of Aid to Developing Countries with a Special Reference to Egypt,” (Reader and examiner. Defended. Spring 2006).
- Yasmine Moukhtar, “How Deposit Insurance Features and Design Affect Banking Stability?” (Reader and examiner. Defended. Fall 2005).

### **Editorial and Reviewer Activities**

- Member of the Editorial Board, The Journal of International Business and Economics Affairs.
- Reviewer, International case studies, Global Edition of the textbook Macroeconomics by Andrew Abel, Ben Bernanke and Dean Croushore.
- Reviewer, Conference papers, Fourth Euro-African Conference in Finance and Economics.
- Reviewer, Conference papers, 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the African Econometric Society.

### **University Service**

2015

- Chair of the Ad-hoc Committee for Promotion and Tenure of the Department of Economics.

#### 2013-2014

- Co-Chair of the Council of the School of Business.
- Chair of the Student Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.
- Member of the Promotion and Tenure Committee of the School of Global Affairs and Public Policy.
- Elected member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.
- Member of the Undergraduate Research Program Advisory Committee.

#### 2012-2013

- Chair of the Student Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.
- Chair of an Ad-hoc Committee for Promotion and Tenure of the Department of Economics.
- Co-Chair of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Council of the School of Business.
- Member of an Ad-hoc Committee for Promotion and Tenure of the Department of Economics.
- Member of the Council of the School Of Business.
- Member of School of Business Committee for Promotion and Tenure.
- Elected member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.
- Faculty Mentor of a new faculty member in the Department of Economics.

#### 2011-2012

- Chair of the Student Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.
- Chair of the Ad-hoc Committee for Promotion and Tenure of the Department of Economics.
- Member of the Council of the School Of Business.
- Member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Council of the School of Business.
- Elected member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.

- Member of the Council of the School of Business Ad-hoc Committee to Address Criteria for Double Majors.

#### 2010-2011

- Chair of the Student Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.
- Member of the Council of the School Of Business.
- Member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Council of the School of Business.
- Elected member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.
- Member of the Long-Range Planning Committee of the Department of Economics.

#### 2009-2010

- Chair of the Department of Economics.
- Chair of the Academic Integrity Committee and representative of the School of Business on the committee.
- Member of the Council of the School Of Business.
- Member of the Organizing Committee of the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the African Econometric Society, AUC, July 2010
- Member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Council of the School of Business.
- Elected member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Department of Economics.
- Member of the Ad-hoc Committee for Promotion and Tenure of the Department of Economics.

#### 2008-2009

- Chair of the Economics Department.
- Chair of the Academic Integrity Committee and representative of the School of Business, Economics and Communication on the committee
- Member of the Provost's advisory committee for the selection of the new Dean of the School of Business.

- Member of the Executive Committee of the School of Business, Economics and Communication.
- Elected member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Economics Department.

#### 2007-2008

- Acting Chair of the Economics Department (April 2008-August 2008)
- Economics Department representative on the University Senate.
- Member of the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee.
- Member of the Senate Budget Review Committee.
- Chair of the Academic Integrity Committee (AIC) and representative of the School of Business, Economics on the committee
- Member of the School of Business, Economics and Communication Executive Committee (April 2008-)
- Economics Department representative on the School of Business, Economics, and Communication Curriculum Committee.
- Member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Economics Department.
- Member of the Ad-hoc Committee for Promotion and Tenure of the Economics Department.

#### 2006-2007

- Economics Department representative on the University Senate.
- Member of the Executive Committee of the Senate.
- Member of the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee.
- Chair of the Academic Integrity Committee (AIC) and representative of the School of Business, Economics on the committee.
- Member of the Long Range Planning, Assessment and the Re-accreditation Self-Study Committee: Institutional and Student Learning Assessment Taskforce.
- Member of the Faculty Affairs Committee of the Economics Department.
- Member of the Ad-hoc Committee for Promotion and Tenure of the Economics Department.

#### 2005-2006

- Economics Department representative on the University Senate.
- Member of the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee.
- Representative of the School of Business, Economics, and Communication on the Academic Integrity Committee (AIC).
- Member of the Economics Department self study task force on student issues.

#### 2004-2005

- Economics Department representative on the University Senate.
- Member of the Executive Committee of the Senate.
- Member of the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee.
- Representative of the School of Business, Economics, and Communication on the Academic Integrity Committee (AIC).
- Member of the Economics Department self study task force on student issues.

#### 2003-2004

- Economics Department representative on the University Senate.
- Member of the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee.
- Representative of the School of Business, Economics and Communication on the Academic Integrity Committee (AIC).
- Economics Department representative on the Library Collections Committee.
- Member of the Economics Department self study task force on student issues.

#### 2002-2003

- Economics Department representative on the University Senate.
- Member of the Senate Administrative Affairs Committee.
- Member of the Senate Budget Review Committee.
- Economics Department representative on the Library Collections Committee.

- Member of the Economics Department self study task force on student issues.

### 2001-2002

- Economics Department representative on the University Senate.
- Member of the Senate Administrative Affairs Committee.
- Member of the Senate Budget Review Committee.
- Member of the Economics Department Self Study task force on curricula.

### **Public Service**

Board Member of Al-Baraka Bank Egypt, March 2014-present.

### **Grants**

- Conference Grant to attend the 2015 International Business Conference, New York, U.S.A., August 2015.
- Conference Grant to attend the Conference of the International Academy of Business and Public Administration Disciplines (IABPAD), Florida, U.S.A., January 2014.
- Conference Grant to attend the International Journal of Arts and Sciences (IJAS) Conference for Academic Disciplines, Prague, Czech Republic, May 2013.
- Conference Grant to attend the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2013 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA), San Diego, California, January 2013.
- Conference Grant to attend the 2012 Rome European Academic Conference, Rome, Italy, June 2012.
- Conference Grant to attend the 32<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2012 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA), Chicago, Illinois, January 2012.

- Faculty Development Grant to attend the 2011 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA), Denver, Colorado, January 2011.
- Chair's Development Grant to attend the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2010 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA), Atlanta, Georgia, January 2010.
- Chair's Development Grant to attend The Annual London Conference on Money, Economy and Management, Imperial College, London, U.K., July 2009.
- Chair's Development Grant to attend the 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2009 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA), San Francisco, California, January 2009.
- Teaching Enhancement Grant to attend the American Economic Association Continuing Education Program: Monetary Policy, San Francisco, California, USA, January 2009
- Conference Grant to attend the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2008 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA), New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, January 2008.
- Conference Grant to attend the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Middle East Economic Association held in conjunction with the 2007 Annual Convention of the Allied Social Science Association (ASSA), Chicago, Illinois, USA, January 2007.
- Conference Grant to attend the 2006 Academy of Business and Administrative Sciences Conference, Switzerland, July 2006.
- Conference Grant to attend the European Applied Business and Economics Research Conference, Greece, June 2005.
- Research Grant. Project: "Purchasing Power Parity in Arab Countries", Spring 2005.
- Research Grant. Project: "Testing for Purchasing Power Parity in a Panel of Middle-Eastern Countries", Summer 2004.

- Conference Grant to attend the Annual meeting of The Southern Economic Association, San Antonio, Texas, U.S.A., November 2003.

### **Awards**

- Preparation for Tenure Award, The American University in Cairo (Spring 2005).
- Graduate Fellowship awarded by the Economics Department, The University of Houston, Texas, U.S.A.(1992-1993 and 1995-1998).
- Peace Fellowship awarded by the USAID to study in the United States (1991).
- President Cup Winner for Outstanding Academic Achievement, The American University in Cairo (1985).
- Academic Honor Award for Outstanding Achievement: Dean's Honor's List, The American University in Cairo (1982-1985).

### **Memberships**

- American Economic Association.
- Middle East Economic Association.
- The Egyptian Society for Political Economy, Statistics and Legislation.
- Southern Economic Association (2003-2005).

### **Languages**

- Arabic: Mother Tongue.
- English: Excellent.
- French: Good.