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BIOGRAPHY

With a Ph.D. degree from the University of Helsinki, is now working as an assistant professor of Economics at Xiamen University Malaysia. During my career, I taught several courses, such as Econometrics, Applied Econometrics, Business Statistics, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Development Economics, and Research Methodology at the graduate and undergraduate levels.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My research interests include Entrepreneurial Economics and Behavioral Economics with a particular focus on Poverty Reduction, Gender Equality, and Sustainable Development. My research has appeared in various journals, such as Management Decision, Applied Economics, Journal of Islamic Accounting and Business Research, and International Journal of Public Opinion Research.

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

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| PhD in Economics, Economics Department, University of Helsinki, Finland | 2009 |
| Master of Social Sciences, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh | 1997 |
| Bachelor of Social Science, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh | 1995 |

WORKING EXPERIENCE

- Assistant Professor of Economics, Xiamen University Malaysia, Malaysia April 2019-
- Assistant Professor of Economics, International University of Sarajevo, BiH January 2016– January 2019
- Assistant Professor of Economics, Al Akhawayn University in Ifrane, Morocco January 2014– December 2015
- Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Helsinki and Helsinki Center of Economic Research (HECER), Helsinki, Finland July 2009 –December 2013
- Doctoral Research Fellow, Department of Economics, University of Helsinki, Finland June 2005 – June2009
- Assistant Professor, Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh May 2001- August 2003
- Lecturer -Islamic University, Kushtia, Bangladesh April 1998- April 2001

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE / GRANTS

- Xiamen University Malaysia Research Fund (XMUMRF), 2019 Cycle 4
- Osuuspankki, 2011.
- Yrjö Jahnsso Foundation, 2009.
- Osuuspankki, 2006.
- Suomen Arvopaperimarkkinoiden, 2006.

REPRESENTATIVE PUBLICATIONS

| Articles in Refereed Journals | Indexed | Quartile |
|---|--------------------------|----------|
| “Does gender diversity affect non-performing loans? International evidence from microfinance institutions” <i>Borsa Istanbul Review</i> , 2023, DOI: 10.1016/j.bir.2023.03.001 | SSCI | Q2 |
| “Democracy and Access to Finance in Developing Countries.” <i>Review of Behavioral Finance</i> , 2022. DOI: 10.1108/rbf-07-2022-0168 | ABDC / ESCI | Q3 |
| “Innovations as a Response to Shadow Economy: Evidence from Privately Held Firms” (with Omar Farooq), <i>Journal of Industry Competition and Trade</i> , 2022. DOI: 10.1007/s10842-022-00388-6 | ABS / ABDC / ESCI | Q4 |
| “Microfinance and Domestic Violence” (with Omar Farooq), <i>The Journal of Adult Protection</i> , 2020, 22(5), pp. 333-351. DOI: 10.1108/JAP-05-2020-0014 | ESCI | Q4 |
| “Cultural fractionalization and informal finance: Evidence from Indian firms” (with Omar Farooq), <i>Eurasian Economic Review</i> , 2020, 10(4), pp. 661-679. DOI: 10.1007/s40822-020-00149-y | ABS / ABDC / ESCI | Q1 |
| “Informational role of ownership concentration: Evidence from the Casablanca Stock Exchange” (with Omar Farooq), <i>Journal of Islamic Accounting and Business Research</i> , 2019. DOI: 10.1108/JIABR-11-2016-0141 | ABS / ABDC / ESCI | Q3 |
| “Financial centers and dividend policy: evidence from an emerging market” (with Omar Farooq), <i>Management Decision</i> 2019, 58(6), pp. 1149-1163. DOI: 10.1108/MD-12-2017-1230 | SSCI / CNRS / ABS | Q1 |
| “Religiosity and the perception about compatibility of democracy with Islam: Evidence from the Arab World” (with Omar Farooq), <i>International Journal of Public Opinion Research</i> , 2018, 31(2), pp.266-282. DOI: 10.1093/ijpor/edy011 | SSCI / CNRS / ABDC | Q2 |
| “Does Microcredit Increase Borrowers’ Savings? A Fuzzy Regression Discontinuity Design Approach” (with Omar Farooq), <i>International Review of Applied Economics</i> , 2016,31(4), pp. 495-507. DOI: 10.1080/02692171.2016.1263607 | CNRS / ABS / ABDC / ESCI | Q3 |
| “Impact of Microcredit on Borrowers’ Expenditures: A Fuzzy Regression Discontinuity Design Approach” (with Omar Farooq), <i>Applied Economics</i> , 2016, 48(38), pp. 3685-3694. DOI:10.1080/00036846.2016.1142662 | SSCI / CNRS / ABS / ABDC | Q2 |
| “Does Stock Price Synchronicity Effect Information Content of Reported Earnings? Evidence from the MENA Region” (with Omar Farooq), <i>Risk Governance and Control: Financial Markets</i> | SCOPUS | |

Other Insignificant Research output

- “Essays on Microcredit in Rural Bangladesh” *PhD dissertation, University of Helsinki, 2009.*
- “Population Policy of Bangladesh and its Control Variables” *Islamic University Studies, 2002, Part-A, Faculty of Social Sciences, Vol. 2, No.4, pp. 102-121.*
- “The Problems of Rural Woman Entrepreneurs in Bangladesh: A Case Study of Jhenaidah District” *IU Studies, 2001, Part-A, Faculty of Social Sciences, Vol. 2, No.2, pp. 72-91.*
- “Impact of Food Aid on the Food Production of Bangladesh” (with Shaiful Islam), *Islamic University Studies, 2001, Part-C, Faculty of Business Administration, Vol. 2, No. 1, pp 122-143.*
- “Socio-economic Impact of Duadswar Asran Prokolpo: A Case Study” (with Sarfaraz Nawaz and Mizanur Rahman), *Islamic University Studies, 2000, Part-C, Faculty of Business Administration, Vol. 3, No. 1, pp 162-177.*
- “Socio-economic conditions of Bangladeshi student: A case study on Islamic University” (with Alamgir Hossain), 1999, *Islamic University Studies, Part-A, Faculty of Social Sciences, Vol. 2, No.3, pp. 53-67.*
- PhD Supervisor: Šejma Šikalo, Defended 2018.
- PhD Supervisor: Abdul Wahab Aidoo, Defended 2019.
- PhD Supervisor: Taleb Med
- PhD Supervisor: Nađa Dreca
- PhD Committee Member: Narela Spaseski
- PhD Committee Member: Vedran Jakupović, Defended 2017.
- Amina Mustafic, 2018, ‘The Effect of Macroeconomic Environment on Firm Export Performance: A Contingency Model of Firm Age and Size’
- Jihane Chlyah, 2015, ‘Asset Price Dynamics and Trading in Casablanca Stock Exchange’
- Mohamed Hadili, 2015 ‘The Linkage Between the U.S. Yield Curve and MENA’s Stock Exchange Performance’
- Hamza Abdallaoui Maane, 2014 ‘Dynamic Impacts of Commodity Prices on the Moroccan Economy’
- Adna Nalic, 2017, ‘Gender Gap and Access to Finance: Evidence from the Balkans’
- Toh Xuan YI, 2019, ‘Factors affecting Customer Loyalty towards Financial Technology in Malaysia (Mobile Payments)’
- Li Mingying, 2019, ‘Does Political Connection Affect Enterprise’s Bank Loans of Enterprises?’
- Wang Chujun, 2019, ‘Male-female discrimination in labor participation in Chinese industry.’
- Wang Zhewei, 2019, ‘Analysis of the relationship between Chin’s financial market structure and industrial structure.’

REVIEWER FOR THE SCIENTIFIC JOURNAL

- Economics Bulletin
- Economics Modelling
- Applied Economics
- International Journal of Emerging Markets

UNIVERSITY SERVICES

| Tasks | Year of Service |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thesis committee• Selection committee for academic recruitment• Member of the senate of the International University of Sarajevo | 2019- 2019- 2017-2019 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Accreditation Committee, SBA, Al Akhawayn University, Ifrane | 2014-2015 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research committee, SBA, Al Akhawayn University, Ifrane | 2014-2015 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Foreign Student Adviser, Economics Department, U. of Helsinki | 2007-2009 |