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Research Interests: Applied micro-econometrics on Food Security, Poverty, Inequality and Gender issues in Egypt and other Developing Countries.

Current Positions

- Assistant Professor, Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences, Cairo University, Economics Department (since 2011).
- Economic Research Forum (ERF)- Part Time Economist (since April, 2017).

Past Positions

- Research Assistant, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), (April 2009- May 2009). Project: Preventing World Food Crises: Support for Information and Knowledge Management, and for Appropriate Policy Responses at Country Level.
- Research Assistant, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) (January 2008- September 2008). Development Strategy and Governance Division. Washington, D.C.
- Research Assistant, Toulouse Business School (2007-2008 and 2010)- France.
- Teaching Assistant for microeconomics (Chinese Exchange Program (Action Chine) 2006-2007 and 2009-2010), econometric modeling and database analysis, (October 2007- December 2007), macroeconomics and microeconomics (2006- 2007) and applied economics (October 2005- January 2006- Toulouse 1 University- Capitole- France.

Education

- **Ph.D in Economics** (April 2010), Toulouse School of Economics (TSE), France.
Dissertation title: “**The Egyptian Food Subsidy System and Households’ Welfare: Micro Econometric Analysis of the Wheat Sector**” (Supervisor: Professor Alban THOMAS).
- **Master 2 of Mathematical Economics and Econometrics** (2005-2006), Toulouse 1 University, France.
- **Master 1 of Econometric** (2004-2005), Toulouse 1 University, France.
- **Bachelor of Arts in Economics** (2004) with a minor in Computer Sciences. Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences, French Section, Cairo University (High Honors).

Consulting Assignments

- UNESCO (November 2017- December 2017). Project: Local Government and Inclusive Development of Women in the Arab Region: The case of Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco and Tunisia.
- International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)- Independent Office of Evaluation (September 2016-November 2016). Project: Egypt Country Program Evaluation.
- UN-ESCWA,(June 2015-July 2015). Project: Social Justice in the Arab Region.
- Food and Agriculture Organization (March 2015-October 2015). Project: Food Security in the NENA region.
- World Bank- Economic Policy, Poverty and Gender (February 2014-June 2014). Project: Poverty

and Inclusion in Iraq.

- UN-ESCWA (May 2013-June 2013). Project: Pan Arab Survey for Poverty Measurement.
- CH2M HILL-International (September 2011- September 2012). USAID Project: The Water Wastewater Sector Reform Policy for the Ministry of Housing- Egypt.
- UNDP-Regional office in Cairo (August 2010- April 2011). Project: Arab Development Challenges Report 2011.
- World Bank- Washington DC, July 2008.

Teaching

- Gender and Microeconomics- Master of Gender and Development- Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences- Cairo University- Egypt- October 2017.
- Violence against Women – Cairo Demographic Center – March 2017.
- Violence against Women - Ministry of Tourism – February 2015.
- History of Economic Thoughts and Econometrics I (undergraduate), Joint Degree Program between Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences- Cairo University, Egypt and University Paris 1- Pantheon Sorbonne, Paris, France. Academic years: 2010- present.
- Industrial Economics (undergraduate- French Section), Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences- Cairo University, Egypt. Academic years: 2014- present.
- Econometrics 2 (2010-2011), International Economics (2010-2011), Institutional Economics (2014-2016) (undergraduate), Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences- Cairo University, Egypt.
- Advanced Topics in Econometrics and Quantitative Methods (Post Graduate), Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences- Cairo University, Egypt. Academic years: 2010-2011.

Master and Ph.D Thesis Supervision

▪ Master

- Salma Eissa. Master thesis titled “Why women and children are responsible for collecting water in Africa?” - with Professor Celine Nauges (2016-2017)- Toulouse School of Economics- France.
- Rabab Abu El-Einein: Master thesis titled “Public Spending on Social Protection Programs and Economic Growth: With application on the Egyptian case” in Arabic- with Professor Sherine El Shawarby (2015- 2017)- Cairo University- Egypt.
- Gihan Abou Taleb: Master thesis titled “Relative Deprivation and Unemployment: Case Study of Youth in Egypt” - with Professor Alya El Mahdi (since 2013)- Cairo University- Egypt.
- Amirah Allam: Master thesis titled “Relationship between the liberalization of international trade and poverty reduction in developing countries: With application on the Egyptian case” - in Arabic-with Professor Hala Sakr (since 2012)- Cairo University- Egypt.
- Eman Taha: Master thesis titled “Methodologies for Forecasting Labor Market Conditions: With application on the Egyptian case” in Arabic- with Professor Alya EL Mahdi (2010-2012)- Cairo University- Egypt.

▪ Ph.D

- Israa Sakr: Ph.D thesis titled “Inequality of Opportunities: An Empirical Study on Labor Returns in Egypt”- in Arabic-with Professor Laila El Khawaga (since 2015)- Cairo University- Egypt.
- Heba El Nasharty: Ph.D thesis titled “The Impact of Micro- Finance on Poverty Alleviation: Countries Experiences with an application on the Egyptian Economy”-with Professor Hanan Nazier (since 2015)- Cairo University- Egypt.
- Yara Mahmoud: Ph.d Thesis titled “Equity in the Finance of Health Care: An Analysis of Progressivity of Health System Financing in Egypt”- with Professor Mohamed Sakr (since 2013)- Cairo University- Egypt.

- Nesma Ali: Ph.D Thesis titled “Towards a better integration of the informal sector: Three empirical essays on the interaction between formal and informal firms in Egypt and beyond”- with Manon Domingues Dos Santos and Boris Najman (2013-2017)- University Paris Est-France.

Referee Reports

- Food Security Journal.
- Economics Bulletin.
- International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI).
- Middle East Development Journal.
- New Medit- A Mediterranean Journal of Economics, Agriculture and Environment.

Publications in Peer Reviewed Journals

- **“Inter-Group Expenditure Gaps in the Arab Region and Their Determinants: Application to Egypt, Jordan, Palestine and Tunisia”.** Co-authored with Vladimir Hlasny and Vito Intini. Review of Income and Wealth (Forthcoming).
- **“Ever Married Women’s Participation in Labor Market in Egypt: Constraints and Opportunities”-** Co-authored with Hanan Nazier. Middle East Development Journal (Forthcoming).
- **“Determinants of Food Security in Egypt”.** Review of Economics and Political Science. Vol.2. No.3. July 2017.
- **“Informality and Poverty: A Causality Dilemma with Application to Egypt”.** Co-authored with Hanan Nazier- Advances in Management & Applied Economics, vol. 5, no.4, 2015, 31-60 ISSN: 1792-7544 (print version), 1792-7552(online).
- **Evaluating the impact of reforming the food subsidy program in Egypt: A Mixed Demand approach.** Co-authored with Alban THOMAS, 2011. Food Policy, Vol. 36, Issue. 5, pp. 638-646.

Chapters in Books

- **“Food Security and Its Measurement in Egypt”.** Les Objectifs de Développement Durable: Opportunités Méditerranéennes. Cosimo Lacirignola. Bibliothèque de l’iReMMO. Ed. L’Harmattan. No.25. 2016. ISBN : 978-2-343-09412-0
- **“Where Does Food Subsidy go?”** Terre et Mer: Ressources Vitales Pour la Méditerranée. Cosimo Lacirignola. Bibliothèque de l’iReMMO. Ed. L’Harmattan. No.19. 2015. ISBN: 978-2-343-05909-9

Working Papers

- **Estimating the Welfare Costs of Reforming the Iraq Public Distribution System: A Mixed Demand Approach.** Co-authored with Nandini Krishnan and Sergio Olivieri. World Bank Policy Research Working Paper No. 8106- 2017.
- **Estimating Poverty and Inequality in the Absence of Consumption Data: An Application to the Middle East and North Africa.** Co-authored with Caroline Krafft, Ragui Assaad, Hanan Nazier, Atiyeh Vahidmanesh and Sami Zouari. Economic Research Forum Working Paper No. 1100- 2017.
- **Marriage Outcomes and Women Empowerment after Marriage: Three countries stories.** Co-authored with Hanan Nazier. Economic Research Forum Working Paper. No1077-2017.
- **Inequality Decomposition in the Arab Region: Application to Jordan, Egypt, Palestine and Tunisia.** Co-authored with Vladimir Hlasny and Vito Intini. Economic Research Forum Working Paper No. 1016- 2016.
- **Women’s Participation in Labor Market in Egypt: Constraints and Opportunities.** Co-authored with Hanan Nazier. Economic Research Forum Working Paper No. 999- 2016.
- **Empowerment is a Community Affair: Community level Determinants of Married Women’s Empowerment in Egypt.** Co-authored with Ragui Assaad and Hanan Nazier. Economic Research Forum Working Paper No.959-2015.
- **Demand and Supply Challenges of Food Security in Egypt-** The Egyptian Center for Economic

Studies (ECES)- Economic Literature Review No.2- July 2015.

- **Towards Better Measurement of Poverty and Inequality In Arab Countries: A Proposed Pan-Arab Multipurpose Survey.** Co-authored with Niranjana Sarangi, Khalid Abu-Ismael and Heba El-Laithy. Economic and Social Commission For Western Asia (Escwa). E/Escwa/Sd/2014/Wp.1 3 February 2015 Original: English
- **Individual and Households determinants of Women Empowerment: Application to the Case of Egypt.** Co-authored with Ragui Assaad and Hanan Nazier. Economic Research Forum Working Paper No.867-2014.
- **Rethinking Global Poverty Measurement.** Co-authored with Khaled Abu-Ismael and Gihan Abou Taleb, 2012. International Policy Centre for Inclusive Growth Working Papers. Number 93.
- **Understanding the linkage between Agriculture Productivity and Nutrient Consumption: Evidence from Uganda.** Co-authored with John ULIMWENGU, Saweda Liverpool-Tasie and Josee Randriamamonjy, 2011. IFPRI discussion paper 01128. West and Central Africa Office.
- **How does food price increase affects Ugandan Households?** Co-authored with John ULIMWENGU, 2009. IFPRI discussion paper 00884. Knowledge, Capacity and Innovation Division. International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington, D.C.
- **Econometric Analysis of the Wheat to Baladi Bread Chain in Egypt.** Co-authored with Alban THOMAS. Mimeo.

Consultancy and Participation in Policy Oriented Report by International Organizations

- **Institutions and Labour Markets in the Southern Mediterranean Countries-** October 2017. Euro Mediterranean Network for Economic Studies (EMNES) Studies. No.1
- **Arab Republic of Egypt- Country Strategy and Program Evaluation-** September 2017. International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) Report No. 4526-EG.
- **IRAQ- The Unfulfilled Promise of Oil and Growth. Poverty, Inclusion and Welfare in Iraq, 2007-2012-** Poverty Global Practice- World Bank- Report No. 92681-IQ-2014
- **Arab Development Challenges Report 2011- Towards the Developmental State in the Arab Region-** United Nations Development Programme.

Work in Progress

- **To Beat or Not to Beat: Determinants of Domestic Violence in Egypt.** Co-authored with Perihane Badr.
- **The Impacts of Removing Food Subsidies and Cash Transfer on Egyptian Households' Welfare.** Co-authored with Rana Hosni.
- **Would taxes decrease tobacco consumption in Egypt?** Co-authored with Hala Abou Ali.

Workshops and Conferences

- **2017**
 - Second Annual Conference and Fifth scientific workshop of the Euro Mediterranean Network for Economic Studies (EMNES), Cairo, Egypt.
 - Fourth Euro Mediterranean Network for Economic Studies (EMNES) Scientific Workshop- Barcelona- Spain.
 - Faculty of Economics and Political Science Conference for Youth- Cairo University-Egypt.
- **2016**
 - First Annual Conference and third scientific workshop of the Euro Mediterranean Network for Economic Studies (EMNES), Tunis, Tunisia.
 - ERF workshop on the Opinion Poll Data Analysis Using Multilevel Models- Beirut- Lebanon.
 - ERF workshop on The Economics of Life Course Transitions- Cairo- Egypt.
 - The 36th Annual MEEA Meeting in conjunction with the Allied Social Sciences Association- San Francisco.

- **2015**
 - First Euro Mediterranean Network for Economic Studies (EMNES) Scientific Workshop- Brussels- Belgium.
 - The 21st Annual Conference of the Economic Research Forum- Gammarth, Tunisia.
- **2014**
 - The 5Th Conference of the Groupement de Recherche International CNRS DREEM EUROMED of Paris Dauphine University- Paris.
 - Training Workshop on How to write an Effective Policy Brief. Economic Research Forum (ERF), Cairo, Egypt.
 - The 14th EBES conference- Barcelona, Spain.
 - Third Joint Research Workshop between Paris 1 - Pantheon Sorbonne University and the Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences Cairo University. Cairo, Egypt.
- **2013**
 - Second Joint Research Workshop between Paris 1 - Pantheon Sorbonne University and the Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences, Cairo University- Paris, France.
 - Poverty Mapping in Arab Countries, Workshop organized by the League of Arab States, Beirut, Lebanon.
- **2012**
 - 4th GRETHA/GRES International Conference on Economic Development, Bordeaux, France.
 - Methodological Advances in the Study of Political Economy Workshop- Warwick University, England.
 - Building Capacity Program: Poverty and Inequality measures and Poverty Targeting. Planning Institute of Egypt, Cairo, Egypt.
 - Financial Econometrics Training Course. Georgia State University- Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Cairo, Egypt.
 - Public Economics Training Course, Georgia State University- Andrew Young School of Policy Studies Cairo, Egypt.
- **2011**
 - Training Workshop on Measurements of Inequality of Opportunity and Inequality of Outcomes. Economic Research Forum (ERF), Cairo, Egypt.
- **2010**
 - Second International Conference, Innovation and Economic Development in the Mediterranean Countries- Cairo, Egypt.
 - Roundtable discussion on: “Price Subsidies in Egypt: Alternatives for Reform”- Cairo, Egypt.
 - African Econometric Society Fifteenth Annual Conference- Cairo, Egypt.
 - The 8th INRA-IDEI Conference on Industrial Organization and the Food Processing Industry- Toulouse, France.
- **2009**
 - Far East and South Asia Meeting of the Econometric Society- Tokyo, Japan.

Membership in Professional Association

- Associate Editorial Board of NEW MEDIT Journal- since December 2017.
- Member of the Economic Committee of the Supreme Council of Culture in Egypt- since December 2017.
- Member of Comité de Correspondents Internationaux (CCI)- Club de Déméter- France- since August 2017.
- Member of the Econometric Society.
- Member of the European Economic Association since 2008.
- Member of the Middle East Economic Association (MEEA) since January 2016.

- Member of the scientific council of the Egyptian Center for Advances in sciences, Technology and Innovation (ECASTI) since 2014.
- Member of the African Growth and Development Policy Modeling Consortium (AGRODEP) – since 2012.
- Research Associate- Economic Research Forum (ERF)- since 2011.
- Co-Founding Member of Egypt Network for Integrated Development (ENID/El Nidaa)-since 2011.
- Member of the International Association for Feminist Economists (IAFFE) - 2016.

Postdoctoral Fellowships

- Postdoctoral Fellow at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs- University of Minnesota – United States of America- February 2014- May 2014.
- Postdoctoral Fellow at the Chicago University Center in Paris - France- April 2013-June 2013.
- Postdoctoral Fellow at the Institute of Law and Economics- University of Hamburg- October 2012.

Honors and Scholarships

- Award of the best Policy Brief- Faculty of Economics and Political Science Conference for Youth, Cairo University.
- Cairo University Award for International Publication-2016.
- Lauréate Femme d’Avenir en Méditerranée- Sciences Po Paris- 2016.
- Award of the most effective Policy Brief- Training Workshop on How to write an Effective Policy Brief. Economic Research Forum (ERF), Cairo, Egypt, December 2014.
- Toulouse School of Economics Scholarship, October 2009- April 2010.
- French Government Scholarship, October 2004- September 2007, October 2008- December 2008.

Cairo University Campus Activities

- Scientific coordinator and member of the Euro- Mediterranean Network for Economic Studies (EMNES) at the Faculty of Economics and Political Science (FEPS)- Cairo University (since 2015).
- Academic Advisor of TedX Cairo University (since 2014).
- Member of the International Accreditation Committee of the Economics department- Faculty of Economics and Political Science (FEPS) (2016).
- Coordinator of the Anti Harassment Unit at Faculty of Economics and Political Science (FEPS)- Cairo University (2014-2016).
- Economic Coordinator of the Third Annual Conference of the Faculty of Economics and Political Science- Cairo University (2015).

Others

- Fluent in Arabic (Native), French and English.
- Skillful in Statistical Software Packages: STATA, SAS, POVMAP and XLSTAT.

References

- Available Upon Request.