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### **Personal Statement**

I have been assistant professor in the department of economics at the British university in Egypt since March 2013. I taught and led various economic modules at the undergraduate level such as Development Economics, Labour Economics, Economies of Middle East and Intermediate macroeconomics and policy. I supervised 40 undergraduate dissertations. I also taught professional courses in the certified management accounting (CMA). My research interests are in areas of quantitative analysis of Development Economics and institutions. I have acted as an E-learning coordinator for the faculty of Business, Economics and Political Science, university officer for the research administrative unit and QS ranking university officer. I am a member in the Economic Committee of Supreme Council for Culture in Egypt and senior economist at Tahyia-Misr Fund (TMF). I am currently research fellow at Humphrey school of public affairs, University of Minnesota.

### **Education**

- 2008- 2012                      PhD in Development Economics, Helwan University, Egypt. Thesis Title: “The Impact of Governance on Poverty Reduction with Special Reference to African Countries”. Awarded March 2013.
- 2005-2008                      M A in Development Economics, Helwan University, Egypt. Dissertation Title: “Assessing the Impact of Corruption on Foreign Direct Investment in Developing Countries”. Awarded June 2008.
- 1999-2003                      Bachelor of Economics, Faculty of Economics and Political Science (English Section), Cairo University, Egypt. Awarded June 2003. Graduation Project Title: “Explaining the Advantages and Disadvantages of the EU partnership with Egypt in the Textile sector”.
- 1997-1999                      High School Diploma, Saint Mary English Language School.

## Teaching and Professional Experience

- 2018- Current Senior Economist at the “Tahya-Misr Fund.
- 2010 – Current Lecturer in Economics (Full –Time), Department of Economics, British University of Egypt (BUE), Cairo, Egypt. The BUE was then a partner with Loughborough University, UK and currently a partner with London South Bank University, UK  
Lecturer in Economics (Part –Time), Department of Business, Arab Academy for Science, Technology and Maritime, Cairo, Egypt.
- 2008-2009 Assistant lecturer in Economics (Full-Time), British University of Egypt.
- 2006-2008 Instructor of Economics in the Institute of Professional Accounting (IPA). Economics was taught as part of the Certified Management Accountants (CMA) professional qualification, Cairo, Egypt
- 2005-2008 Instructor of Economics (Part-time), Arab Academy for Science and Technology and Maritime Transport, Cairo, Egypt.
- 2004-2008 Teaching Assistant in Economics (Full-time), Modern Academy for Science and Technology and Modern University for Technology and Information (MTI), Cairo, Egypt.

## Modules Led and Taught

- Fiscal and Monetary Policy for 4<sup>th</sup> year undergraduate students
- Intermediate Macroeconomics for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate students
- Introduction to Microeconomics for 1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduate students
- Intermediate Microeconomics for 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate students
- Economic Development for 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate students
- Introduction to Economics for 1<sup>st</sup> year undergraduate students
- Labour Economics for 2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate students
- Public Finance for 4<sup>th</sup> year undergraduate students
- Economic Analysis for 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate students
- Money and Banking for 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate students
- International Economics for 2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate students.
- Managerial Economics for 3<sup>rd</sup> year undergraduate students
- Research Methods for 2<sup>nd</sup> year undergraduate students
- Project evaluation for 4<sup>th</sup> year undergraduate students
- Statistics for professional students pursuing the Certified Management Accountants (CMA) professional qualification.

- Economics for professional students pursuing the Certified Management Accountants (CMA) professional qualification
- Economics for Masters of Business Administration (MBA).

### Teaching Awards

- 2013 Certificate /Award of teaching excellence -Best Lecturer -in Intermediate Macroeconomics from the department of economics, British university in Egypt.
- 2012 Certificate /Award of teaching excellence from the department of economics, British university in Egypt in labour economics.
- 2011 Certificate /Award of teaching excellence from the faculty of business, economics and political science, British university in Egypt in economic development and introduction to economics – highest evaluation across the three departments.

### Professional and Managerial Posts

- 2008-2016
  - ✓ E-Learning officer, the British University of Egypt.
  - ✓ Member of the Economics Programme re-validation team
  - ✓ Head of research university unit
- 2003-2004
  - ✓ Credit Analyst in the Credit Department, Nationale Societe Generale Bank (NSGB), Cairo, Egypt
  - ✓ Treasury analyst, ASEC Company for mining, Treasury Department.

### Academic Publications

- Badr, K., Rizk, R., Zaki, C., & Badr, K. (2019). Firm productivity and agglomeration economies: Evidence from Egyptian Data, Applied Economics( forthcoming).
- Rizk, R.(2018), Demographic Change and Economic Growth: Evidence from Egypt, Journal of North African Studies, 1-24.
- Elamin, O., Rizk, R., & Adams, J. (2018), Private tutoring and parents’ decision to work more: evidence from Egypt. Education Economics, 1-23.

- Rizk, R., & Slimane, M. B. (2018). Modelling the relationship between poverty, environment, and institutions: a panel data study. *Environmental Science and Pollution Research*, 25(31), 31459-31473.
- Al-Ayouty, E.; Hassaballah, H and R. Rizk (2017), Clean manufacturing industries and environmental quality :The case of Egypt, *Environmental Development*, 21 (2017)19–25.
- Rizk, R. and Owusu-Afriyie (2014), Determinants of household expenditure on Children’s education in Egypt, *International Journal of Education Economics and Development*, Vol. 5, No. 4.
- Rizk, R. (2012), Governance and its impact on Poverty Reduction: Is there a role for Knowledge Management? *The International Journal of Innovation and Knowledge Management*, 1, 1, 80-104.

### Working papers

- Badr, K., Rizk, R., Zaki, C., & Badr, K. (2018). Firm productivity and agglomeration economies: Evidence from Egyptian Data, ERF working paper No.1239.
- Rizk, R., & Salemi, C. (2018). Own account workers in Jordan: Profile and work characteristics, ERF working paper No.1218.
- Krafft, C. and R. Rizk, (2018) The promise and peril of youth Entrepreneurship in the MENA region , ERF working paper No.1257.
- Rizk, R and R. Nogales (2017), Revisiting the Middle Class Myth: Evidence from Cross-Country Analysis of Social Progress, *Economic Research Forum Working paper No. 1139*.
- Rizk, R. and H. Abou-Ali (2016), Out of pocket Health expenditure and household budget: Evidence from Arab countries, *Economic Research Forum Working paper No. 1065*.
- Rizk, R. (2016), Returns to education: An updated comparison from Arab countries, *Economic Research Forum Working paper No. 986*.
- Rizk, R. and H. Abou-Ali (2016), Out of pocket education expenditure and household budget: Evidence from Arab Countries, *Economic Research Forum Working paper No. 986*.

- Rizk, R. and H. Abou-Ali (2015), Informality and socio-economic Wellbeing of women in Egypt, Economic Research Forum Working paper No. 910.
- Abou-Ali, H. and R. Rizk (2015), MSEs informality and productivity: Evidence from Egypt, Economic Research Forum Working paper, No. 916.

## Books

- Rizk,R., and Colette,S. (2018) “Own account workers in Jordan: Profile and work characteristics”, in “*The Jordanian Labor Market: Between Fragility and Resilience*”, edited by Ragui Assaad and Caroline Krafft, Cambridge University Press.

## Forthcoming Publications (Under Review)

- Rizk, R and R. Nogales (2017), Revisiting the Middle Class Myth: Evidence from Cross-Country Analysis of Social Progress, *International Economic Journal*.
- Rizk, R. and H. Abou-Ali (2016), Out of pocket Health expenditure and household budget: Evidence from Arab countries, *Health Economics*.
- Badr,K, R.Rizk and Zaki, C (2018)., Agglomeration and productivity : Evidence from Egypt, *Applied Economics*.
- Rizk, R. (2018), Returns to education in MENA countries: A continuing story of under-achievement, *International Journal of Education Economics and Development*(*forthcoming*).

## Work in progress

- Rizk, R. and S. Colette, Entrepreneurship in Jordan with Economic Research Forum, Book Chapter , edited by Ragui Assaad and Caroline Krafft, Cambridge Press.
- J. Paul Dunne, Nogales,R and R. Rizk, Firm Growth, Size and Survival in Egypt.
- Rizk, R., W.Gĩthĩnji, The linkage between inequality problem and uprisings in Egypt and its consequences on different economic aspect, with University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- Rizk, R., M.Ali and E. Ebaidalla. Foreign Aid and Out-of-Pocket Health Expenditure in SSA Countries: Does Institutional Quality Matter?, funded by Global development network .

- Rizk, R. and Zaher, S. Employment between feminization and informality: the case of Egypt. Accepted at the 17th conference on “The Jobs Crisis: Causes, Cures, Constraints” organized by the Research Network Macroeconomics and Macroeconomic Policies (FMM), Berlin, Germany.
- Rizk, R and Assaad,R. Child endowments and parental preferences :Revisiting the intra-household allocation of private tutoring in Egypt, Carnegie Fellowship on Economic Vulnerability in the Arab World 2018-2019.

## Research Grants

- **2019** Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Cairo, Egypt.
  - Job mobility and labour market turnover in Egypt.
- **2018** European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).
  - Agglomeration and productivity: Evidence from Egypt
- **2017** Global Development Network (GDN)
  - Foreign Aid and Out-of-Pocket Health Expenditure in SSA Countries: Does Institutional Quality Matter.
- **2016** Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)
  - Unpacking Employment Support: Evidence from a Randomized Experiment.
- **2016** Global Development Network (GDN)
  - Out of pocket Health expenditure and household budget: Evidence from Arab Countries.
- **2016** Egyptian centre for economic studies (ECES)
  - Demographic change and economic growth: Evidence from Egypt.
- **2015** British University in Egypt (BUE)
  - Catching Up or Standing Still? An Integrated Paradigm for National Innovative Productivity among Developing Countries.
- **2014** Global Development Network (GDN)
  - Out of pocket education expenditure and household budget: Evidence from Arab

Countries.

- **2013** Global Development Network (GDN)

- Informality in Egypt

## Conference Papers

- 2019** Allied Social Science Association, Atlanta, USA, January 4-6
- 2018** Research Initiatives on the Economics of the Middle East Conference, Paris, 5-6 November  
The sixth Joint Research Workshop Ecole d'Economie de la Sorbonne, Université Paris November 9-10  
ERF Training and Workshop on "Structural Change, Resource Misallocation and Growth Dynamics in the MENA Region", World Bank, Luxor, Egypt February 27-28.  
International Conference on Applying Quantitative Analysis to Development Issues- Bibliotheca Alexandrina, Egypt Feb 18-19.  
24<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Economic Research Forum, Luxor, Egypt March 2-4.
- 2017** UNU-WIDER conference on "Migration and Mobility", Accra, October 5-6.  
  
23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Economic Research Forum, Amman, March 18-20.  
  
Research workshop organized by Professor Ragui Assaad for the Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota as part of the Andrew Carnegie Centennial Fellowship in Support of Visiting Scholars in the Social Sciences from Arab Universities, 12-14 January, Naples, Italy (travel grant).  
  
American Economic Association (AEA), in conjunction with Allied social science meeting (ASSA), Chicago 6-8 January 2017.
- 2016** Global Development Network's 17th Annual Global Development Conference entitled Education for Development: Quality and Inclusion for Changing Global Human Capital Needs, Lima, Peru, on 17-18 March 2016 (Travel Grant).
- 2015** United Nations University (UNU), World Institute for Development Economics and Research (WIDER), 30th anniversary conference, 17-19 September, Helsinki.  
21<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference, Economic Research Forum, Tunisia, March 20-22.

Annual Research Conference, American University in Cairo, March 16-18.  
Workshop about writing policy brief in the ERF region, Cairo, Egypt.

- 2014** Workshop about informality in the ERF region, Cairo, Egypt.  
The fifth Euro-African Conference in Finance and Economics, Agadir, Morocco.
- 2013** 17<sup>th</sup> Conference of the research network macroeconomics and macroeconomic Policies (FMM), Berlin, Germany.  
18<sup>th</sup> Annual conference of the African Econometric Society, Accra, Ghana.  
Mentoring/Technical workshop, AAAWE, University of Gimpa, Ghana.  
Analysis of Panel and Retrospective Household Survey Data, Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt.
- 2012** 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt.  
Workshop on Economics of the Mediterranean, CREMed, Barcelona, Spain.  
Workshop on Quantitative Methods, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University.  
Workshop on Applied Econometrics, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University.
- 2011** Middle East Economic Association (MEEA) Barcelona, Spain.  
Training workshop "writing winning research proposals", Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt.

## **Fellowships**

- 2019-2020** Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan, USA.
- 2018-2019** Carnegie Fellowship on Economic Vulnerability in the Arab World, Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota, USA.
- 2016-2017** American Political Science Association (APSA) MENA fellowship, hosted by the Asfari Institute for Civil Society and Citizenship at the American University of Beirut (AUB) from May 16-20. A follow-up workshop from September 11-15 hosted by the Middle East Studies Center at the American University in Cairo (AUC).

## Membership in Professional Bodies:

- 2019-** Research fellow, Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt.  
**2016-** Member of the American Political Science Association.  
**2012-** Member of the Association for the Advancement of African Women Economists (AAWE).  
**2011-** Member in the Middle East Economic Association (MEEA).

## Staff Development:

Courses	Institution
Using E-Learning	The British University of Egypt
Writing Research Proposal	The British University of Egypt
Information Literacy Skills	The British University of Egypt
Anger Management and Controlling the Class Room	The British University of Egypt
Marking and Double marking according to the British system	The British University of Egypt
How to invigilate; what to do and what not to do	The British University of Egypt
How to Supervise Dissertation Students	The British University of Egypt
Students' Personal Tutoring	The British University of Egypt
Supreme Council and NAQAA Rules and Procedures	The British University of Egypt
Blended Learning	The British University of Egypt
Understanding and Using the SRS	The British University of Egypt
Module Specification	The British University of Egypt
Peer Power: Putting peer work to good use in the	The British University of Egypt

classroom	
Flipped teaching	The British University of Egypt
PowerPoint tips to create awesome lectures	The British University of Egypt
Stress management	The British University of Egypt
Teaching & Learning at the BUE	The British University of Egypt
Writing Coursework briefing sheets	The British University of Egypt
Teaching small groups & classroom management	The British University of Egypt
Designing the new undergraduate Economics programme	The British University of Egypt

### Language Skills

- Arabic      Native
- English     Excellent

### Computer Skills

- STATA
- R
- Microsoft word –Excel -PowerPoint