

Curriculum Vitae

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1. ACADEMIC CAREER
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1. ACADEMIC CAREER

Current Position Professor (W3), School of Business & Economics, Center for Near and Middle Eastern Studies (CNMS), Philipps-Universität Marburg (since 2015)

Fields of Interest Political Economy, Development Economics, Empirical Institutional Economics, Natural Resource Management, Iran, Middle East Economics

Education and Previous Positions

2012-2015 Junior Professor (tenure track), Economics of the Middle East, CNMS, Philipps-Universität Marburg

2010-2012 Georg Forster Research Fellow of Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, ZEW Mannheim & TU Dresden

2009-2010 Research Fellow, Environmental and Resource Economics, Environmental Management, ZEW Mannheim

2006-2009 Dr.rer.pol, Ph.D. thesis, *summa cum laude*, TU Dresden

2004-2005 Economic Expert, Tehran Stock Exchange Organization, Iran

2001-2003 Economic Expert, Ports & Shipping Org., Tehran, Iran

1999-2002 MSc in Energy Economics, University of Tehran, Iran

1995-1999 BA in Theoretical Economics, Allameh Tabatabaei University, Tehran, Iran

Research Networks

Since 2019	Fellow of the CESifo Research Network
Since Jan 2018	Member of the World Economic Survey (WES) Expert Group, ifo Institute, Munich, Germany
Jan-Feb 2018	ifo/ CESifo Visiting Researcher, Munich, Germany
2016-2017	Working Group of The "Resource Curse" in the Gulf, The Center for International and Regional Studies, Georgetown University in Qatar
Since 2017	International Iranian Economic Association (IIEA) Chapter at Philipps-Universität Marburg for the German-speaking countries in Europe (Germany, Austria and Switzerland).
Since 2015	Country Analyst for the PRIX Index on Political Risk and Oil Exports
Since 2014	Member of Research Network "Re-Configurations. History, Remembrance and Transformation Processes in the Middle East and North Africa", Philipps-Universität Marburg
2013-2019	CESifo Research Affiliate
Since 2012	Member of International Public Finance Association (IIPF)
Since 2012	Alumnus of Alexander von Humboldt Foundation
Since 2012	Research Fellow at Economic Research Forum (ERF), Cairo, Egypt
Since 2011	Member of International Iranian Economic Association (IIEA)
Since 2009	Alumnus of DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service)

Board Memberships

2020	Independent peer reviewer for DAAD-Afghanistan Portfolio
Since 2020	Member of international editorial board of Iranian Journal of Economic Studies, Shiraz University (Iran)

Since 2019-	Editorial Board Member of Quarterly Journal of Economic Growth and Development Research (Iran)
Since 2019-	Co-opted Board Member of International Iranian Economic Association (IIEA)
2018	Scientific Committee of International Conference on the Iranian Economy
Since 2014	Middle East - Topics & Arguments (Advisory Board)

Awards and Offers

2019	Among top 10% Economists in the field of the Middle East & North Africa as of July 2019
2018	Among the top 10% in the recent Wirtschaftswoche ranking of economics (VWL) scholars and the top 5% based on SNIP & IPP ranking (among economists in the German speaking countries Germany, Austria, and Switzerland and researchers who are born in these countries.)
2015	Full Professorship (W3) in Economics of the Middle East, University of Marburg (accepted)
2015	Full Professorship (W3) in Economy and Society of the Middle East, FAU Uni. Erlangen-Nürnberg (declined)
2014	Public Policy Award of BMZ/GIZ at the 70th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance in Lugano, Switzerland, on August 20 – 23, 2014 (joint with Sajjad Dizaji)
2009	Dr. Feldbausch Preis “Best Dissertation” at TU Dresden

Grants

2020	Project: NaDiMa - Socio-Economic, Cultural and Technical Aspects of Natural Disaster Management: A Dialogue between Germany and Iran. Higher Education Dialogue with the Muslim World Program, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), funding from the Federal Foreign Office (AA)
2016-2018	Project Title: NAREM - Political Economy of Natural Resource Management, Higher Education Dialogue with the Muslim World Program, German Academic Exchange Service

	(DAAD), funding from the Federal Foreign Office (AA)
2012	The United States Institute of Peace (research paper)
2011	E.ON Ruhrgas scholarship grant for a Visiting Research, NHH, Bergen, Norway
2011	European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Half Grant for EAERE 2011 conference
2010-2012	Alexander von Humboldt Fellowship for Post-Doc Research for the project of “Pollution, economic development and democracy: Evidence from the MENA countries”
2010	Revenue Watch Institute, Project: Natural Resource Revenues Management for the Case of Iran (research paper)
2008	CESifo Travel Grant for "Venice Summer Institute 2008 - Workshop on Illicit Trade and Globalization"
2008	Special OFID/IAEE Support Fund for 31st IAEE International Conference in Istanbul, Turkey
2006-2009	German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) full scholarship for PhD project of “Political Economy of Natural Resources and Governance in Iran: an Empirical Investigation”
2005-2006	DAAD scholarship for German intensive training course, interDaF e. V. am Herder-Institute, University of Leipzig
2006	Travel Grant for IIES international Oil and Gas conference (Tehran, Iran) from IIES

2. PUBLICATIONS

Publications in Refereed Journals

1. 2020: International tourism and outbreak of Coronavirus (COVID-19): A cross-country analysis (with M. Feizi, H. Gholipour, R. Nunkoo, A. Andargoli). *Journal of Travel Research* (in press)
2. 2020: [Economic liberalization in Egypt: a way to reduce of the shadow economy?](#) (with M. Hassan, A. Badreldin) *Journal of Policy Modeling* 42, 307-327.
3. 2020: [Does oil rents dependency reduce the quality of education?](#) (with M. Thum) *Empirical Economics* 58, 1863–1911.

4. 2019: [Do sanctions constrain military spending of Iran?](#) (with S. Dizaji) *Defence and Peace Economics* (in press).
5. 2019: [How does the flow of remittances affect the trade balance of the Middle East and North Africa?](#) (with S.M. Hassan) *Journal of Economic Policy Reform* (in press).
6. 2019: [Cognitive ability and corruption: rule of law \(still\) matters.](#) *Empirical Economics*. (in press)
7. 2019: [Oil booms and inequality in Iran](#) (with T. Krieger). *Review of Development Economics* 23, 830-859.
8. 2019: [Sanctions and the shadow economy: empirical evidence from Iranian provinces](#) (with B. Hayo). *Applied Economics Letters* 26, 501-505.
9. 2018: [The impact of oil rents on military spending in the GCC region: does corruption matter?](#) *Journal of Arabian Studies* 8, 87-109.
10. 2018: [Does gold price matter for divorce rate in Iran?](#) (with H. Gholipour). *Journal of Family and Economic Issues* 39, 588–599.
11. 2018: [Natural resource rents and internal conflicts: Can decentralization lift the curse?](#) (with C. Lessmann, G. Markwardt). *Economic Systems* 42, 186-205.
12. 2018: [Development and air pollution in the Middle East and North Africa: democracy matters.](#) (with G. Markwardt). *Journal of Policy Modeling* 40, 350-374.
13. 2018: [Institutions and the effectiveness of expenditures on environmental protection: Evidence from Middle Eastern Countries](#) (with H.F. Gholipour). *Constitutional Political Economy* 29, 20-39.
14. 2017: [Resource rents distribution, income inequality and poverty in Iran](#) (with M. Habibpour). *Energy Economics* 66, 35–42.
15. 2017: [Corruption and Political Stability: Does the Youth Bulge Matter?](#) (with S. Witthuhn) *European Journal of Political Economy* 49, 47-70.
16. 2017: [Does terrorism reduce life satisfaction?](#) (with T., Krieger, D. Meierrieks). *Applied Economics Letters* 24, 893-896.
17. 2016: [Political institutions and government spending behavior: theory and evidence from Iran.](#) (with S. Dizaji and A. Naghavi) *International Tax and Public Finance* 23, 522–549.
18. 2016: [Divorce and the cost of housing: Evidence from Iran.](#) (with H. Gholipour). *Review of Economics of the Household* 14, 1029–1054.
19. 2015: [Resource rents, balance of power, and political stability.](#) (with K. Bjorvatn). *Journal of Peace Research* 52, 758-773.
20. 2015: [Marriage crisis and housing costs: Empirical evidence from provinces of Iran.](#) (with H. Gholipour). *Journal of Policy Modeling* 37, 107–123.
21. 2014: [Can oil-rich countries encourage entrepreneurship?](#) *Entrepreneurship & Regional Development: An International Journal* 26, 706-725

22. 2014: [Does real estate transparency matter for foreign real estate investments?](#) (with H. Gholipour). *International Journal of Strategic Property Management* 18, 317-331.
23. 2014: [Iranian-Oil-Free Zone and international oil prices](#) (with M. Raeisian Parvari). *Energy Economics* 45, 364–372.
24. 2014: [Military spending and economic growth: The case of Iran](#). *Defence and Peace Economics* 25, 247-269.
25. 2013: [Impact of education on the shadow economy: Institutions matter](#) (with A. Buehn). *Economics Bulletin* 33, 2052-2063.
26. 2013: [Resource curse and power balance: evidence from Iran](#) (with K. Bjorvatn, F. Schneider). *Review of Middle East Economics and Finance* 9, 133–158.
27. 2013: [Effects of International Financial and Energy Sanctions on Iran’s Informal Economy](#). *The SAIS Review of International Affairs* 33, 13-36.
28. 2013: [Demographic transition in resource rich countries: a bonus or a curse?](#) (with K. Bjorvatn). *World Development* 45, 337–351.
29. 2013: [Hold your breath: a new index of air quality](#) (with A. Buehn). *Energy Economics* 37, 104-113
30. 2012: [Shadow economy trends in Iran: A Comparative Study Using Amos and Lisrel \(in Farsi\)](#) (with Z. Nasrollahi, S. Talei). *Quarterly Journal of the Economic Research* 12, 61-92.
31. 2012: [Resource curse and power balance: evidence from oil rich countries](#) (with K. Bjorvatn, F. Schneider). *World Development* 40, 1308–1316.
32. 2012: [Pollution, shadow economy and corruption: theory and evidence](#) (with A. Biswas, M. Thum). *Ecological Economics* 75, 114–125.
33. 2012: [Smuggling around the World: Evidence from Structural Equation Modeling](#) (with A. Buehn) *Applied Economics* 44 (23), 3047-3064.
34. 2011: [Oil revenues shocks and government spending behavior in Iran](#). *Energy Economics* 33 (6), 1055-1069.
35. 2009: [Illegal Trade in the Iranian Economy: Evidence from Structural Equation Model](#). *European Journal of Political Economy* 25(4), 489-507.
36. 2009: [The Effects of Oil Price Shocks on the Iranian Economy](#) (with G. Markwardt). *Energy Economics* 31(1), 134-151

Articles in Journals and Policy Notes

1. 2020: [Irans Außenhandel: über Handelspartner, die Bedeutung von Erdöl und internationale Sanktionen](#) Bundeszentrale für politische Bildung, Bonn.
2. 2018: [The Curse of oil: Why quality of education in oil economies is low?](#) *Tejarat-e-Farda* (in Persian).
3. 2018: [Do sanctions really constrain Iran’s military spending?](#) *Bourse & Bazaar* (in Persian).

4. 2018: [Social effects of increasing gold coin prices in Iran](#). *Tejarat-Farda Weekly Magazine* (1 Sep, 2018)
5. 2017: [Can we predict political uprisings?](#) *The Conversation*. (16 June, 2017)
6. 2016: [Higher property prices linked to income inequality: study](#) (with H. Gholipour, J., Nguyen). *The Conversation*. (21 Nov. 2016).
7. 2015: [Natural-Resource Rents and Political Stability in the Middle East and North Africa](#) (with K. Bjorvatn). *CESifo DICE Report* 13 (3), 33-37.
8. 2005: [Cement industry in Iran \(in Persian\)](#). *Bourse Financial & Economical Monthly Magazin (Mahname Bours)*, No. 49, 23-29.
9. 2004: [Economic evaluation of the Caspian Oil transit to International markets \(in Persian\)](#). *Quarterly Energy Economics Review (Fasnameh Motaleate Eghtesad Energy)*, First year, 3-24.
10. 2003: [Opportunities for Iran commodity transit routes after the Iraqi war \(in Persian\)](#). *Political & Economical Ettelat Journal*. No.9-10, 224-229.
11. 2003: Economics of oil pipelines in the Caspian Sea region (in English), *Eghtessad-e-Energy* 2 (47), April 2003. ISSN: 1563-1133.
12. 2003: [Iranian options most economically viable for exporting Caspian Sea Oil](#). *Oil & Gas Journal* 101 (11), 22-26. ISSN (printed): 0030-1388.

Monographs

1. 2016: [Economic Welfare and Inequality in Iran: Developments since the Revolution](#). Mohammad Reza Farzanegan and Pooya Alaedini (Eds.), Palgrave Macmillan / Springer Nature, New York, NY.
2. 2009: [Political Economy of Natural Resources and Governance in Iran: An Empirical Investigation](#). Mohammad Reza Farzanegan, Qucosa, Technische Universität Dresden, Germany.

Publications in Collected Volumes

1. 2017: Shadow Economy and Political Stability: A Blessing or a Curse? In: A. Bouasria, U. Rabi (Eds.), [Lost in Translation: New Paradigms for the Arab Spring](#). Sussex Academic Press.
2. 2016: Housing Costs and Inequality in Post-Revolutionary Iran. (with H. Gholipour, J., Nguyen) In: M.R. Farzanegan, P. Alaedini (Eds). [Economic Welfare and Inequality in Iran: Developments since the Revolution](#). Palgrave Macmillan / Springer Nature
3. 2016: Effects of Oil Sanctions on Iran's Economy and Household Welfare: New Evidence from a CGE Model (with M. Khabbazan, H. Sadeghi). In: M.R. Farzanegan, P. Alaedini (Eds). [Economic Welfare and Inequality in Iran: Developments since the Revolution](#). Palgrave Macmillan / Springer Nature.
4. 2016: Household Welfare in Iran under Banking Sanctions: From Open Economy toward Autarchy (with M. Khabbazan). In: M.R. Farzanegan, P. Alaedini (Eds). [Economic Welfare](#)

[*and Inequality in Iran: Developments since the Revolution*](#). Palgrave Macmillan / Springer Nature.

5. 2016: Demographic Transition, Oil and Institutions: Lessons from the Global Experience for Iran. In: M. Erdogdu, B. Christiansen (Eds). [*Comparative Economic Perspectives on Europe and the MENA Region*](#). IGI Global, Hershey, PA.
6. 2015 & 2014: Iran Economy (with M. Habibpour). In: [*The annual regional survey, The Middle East and North Africa \(MENA\) 61 and 62 Editions*](#), Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group.
7. 2012: Dark side of trade in Iran. In: Storti, C.C., de Grauwe, P. (Eds), [*Illicit Trade and Globalisation*](#), MIT Press, Cambridge, MA.

Works in Progress

1. 2020: [*Socio-Economic Determinants of Child Marriage: Evidence from the Iranian Provinces*](#) (with M. Asna-ashary, M. Feizi, H. Gholipour), CESifo Working Paper No. 8073, Munich.
2. 2020: [*Air Pollution and Internal Migration: Evidence from Iranian Household Survey*](#) (with H. Gholipour, M. Javadian), CESifo Working Paper No. 8107, Munich.
3. 2020: [*The Impact of Declining Oil Rents on Tax Revenues: Does the Shadow Economy Matter?*](#) (with P. Ishak), CESifo Working Paper No. 8132, Munich (R & R to Energy Economics).
4. 2020: [*Globalization and Outbreak of COVID-19: An Empirical Analysis*](#) (with M. Feizi, H. Gholipour), MAGKS - Joint Discussion Paper Series No.18-2020, Marburg.
5. 2020: [*Google It Up! A Google Trends-based Analysis of COVID-19 Outbreak in Iran*](#) (with M. Feizi, S. Malek Sadati), MAGKS - Joint Discussion Paper Series No. 17-2020, Marburg.
6. 2020: [*COVID-19 Outbreak and Air Pollution in Iran: A Panel VAR Analysis*](#) (with M. Asna-ashary, M. Feizi, S. Malek Sadati), MAGKS - Joint Discussion Paper Series No 16-2020, Marburg.
7. 2019: [*The Effects of International Sanctions on Military Spending of Iran: A Synthetic Control Analysis*](#). CESifo Working Paper No. 7937, Munich.
8. 2019: [*The Opportunity Cost of the Islamic Revolution and War for Iran*](#). MAGKS No. 29-2019, Marburg (R & R to Defence and Peace Economics).
9. 2019: [*Growing up in the Iran-Iraq War and Preferences for Strong Defense*](#) (with H. Gholipour). MAGKS Discussion Paper No. 07-2019, Marburg.
10. 2019: [*Drought and property prices: empirical evidence from Iran*](#) (with M. Feizi, H. Gholipour), MAGKS Joint Discussion Paper Series in Economics 16-2019.
11. 2017: [*Middle class in Iran: oil rents, modernization, and political development*](#) (with P. Alaedini and K. Azizimehr). MAGKS Papers on Economics 2017-56, Marburg. (R & R to Middle East Development Journal).
12. 2017: [*Causes and Impacts of Remittances: Household Survey Evidence from Egypt*](#), (with S.M. Hassan and R. Abi Raad), MAGKS Papers on Economics 201737, Marburg.

3. TEACHING, PHD SUPERVISION & Hosting International Researchers

Bachelor	Political Economy of Middle East (Lecture + Exercise)
Master	Empirical Development Economics (Lecture + Exercise) Political Economy of Islam (Lecture) Political Economy of Corruption and Shadow Economy (Lecture + Exercise) Political Economy of Oil Rents (Seminar) Demographic Transition, Economic Growth and Political Stability in the MENA Region (Seminar)

PhD Supervision (first supervisor)

Since 2018	Essays on Political Economy of Natural Disasters (Sven Fischer)
Since 2018	Essays on Political Economy of Cryptocurrencies (Georgin Isaev)
2015-2019	Essays on Environment and Resource Economics (Dalia Fadly)
2014-2017	Essays on the Shadow Economy in Egypt (Mai Hassan, Jameel Scholarship holder)
2014-2017	The Political Economy of Demographic Transition and Economic Development in the Middle East and North Africa (Sherif Hassan, Jameel Scholarship holder)
Since 2013	The Political Economy of Resource Rent Transfers (empirical investigation) (M. Habibpour, external PhD student)

Hosting International Researchers

2018	Dr. Sajjad Dizaji (Assistant Professor of Economics, Tarbiat Modares University, Supported by Gerda Henkel Stiftung)
2016	Khayam Azizimehr (PhD candidate, University of Tehran)
2015	Prof. Pooya Alaedini (University of Tehran), Project: Middle Class of Iran. Funded by Re-configuration Project
2014	Dr. Sarvar Gurbanov, senior lecturer from Qafqaz University, World Economy (Baku, Azerbaijan). Project: Dutch Disease in the

Azerbaijan Economy. Supported by DAAD Grant

2014 Neda Seiban. PhD Exchange Student from Siegen University. Project: Natural Resources Wealth and Question of Gender Equity in Iran

2013 Mohammad Mohammadi Khabbazan, Visiting PhD Researcher from Tarbiat Modares University (Tehran, Iran). Project: Effect of oil sanctions on the macroeconomic and household welfare in Iran: New evidence from CGE model. Funded by Ministry of Science Research and Technology of Iran

4. SCIENCE MANAGEMENT

Referee for Scientific Journals & Books Proposals

African Development Review • Asian Journal of Comparative Politics • Behavioral Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression • Borsa Istanbul Review • British Journal of Political Science • Business and Politics • Constitutional Political Economy • Defence and Peace Economics • Democratization • Economics Bulletin • Ecological Economics • Economía Mexicana. Nueva Época • Economic Modeling • Economies- Open Access Journal of Development Economics and Macroeconomics • Economics of Governance • Economic Systems • Emerging Markets Finance and Trade • Empirical Economics • Energy Economics • Energy Policy • Energy Sources, Part B: Economics, Planning, and Policy • Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy • European Journal of Political Economy • Governance • Government Information Quarterly • International Area Studies Review • International Economic Journal • International Journal of Emerging Markets • International Journal of Financial Studies, Economies • International Political Science Review • Journal of Applied Economics • Journal of Peace Research • Middle East Development Journal • Mineral Economics • Oxford University Press • Papers in Regional Science • Review of Development Economics • Review of Middle East Economics and Finance • Review of Policy Research • Social Science Research • South-Eastern Europe Journal of Economics • The Journal of International Trade & Economic Development • The International Trade Journal • World Development • World Scientific • Zed Books

Referee for Foundations / Centers

Alexander von Humboldt Foundation • Brookings Doha Center • DFG, German Research Foundation • German Academic Exchange Services (DAAD) • Ruhr University Research School PLUS • Volkswagen Foundation • member of DAAD Selection Committee for “New Perspectives for Young Syrians and Jordanians” (Amman, Jordan).

Co-Organizer of Workshops and Conferences

2019 International Symposium on “Political Economy of Sanctions”, Marburg.
Symposium on the “Political Economy of Climate Change and Natural Disasters with Reference to Iran and the Arab World”, Marburg.
“Applications of Geodata in Economics”, CNMS, Marburg.

- 2018 “Water and Sustainable Development” Winter School in Mashhad, Iran
- “Nature, Wealth & Power” Summer School 2018, CNMS, Marburg.
- 2017 Social Policies in Oil-Based Economies Autumn School, University of Tehran, Iran
- International Iran Forum, CNMS, Marburg, Germany
- Renewable Energy and Development Summer School 2017, CNMS, Marburg, Germany
- 2016 Natural Resource Management and Life Satisfaction Winter School 2016 in Marburg, Germany
- Natural Resource Management and Sustainable Development Summer School 2016 in Tehran, Iran
- 4th International Iranian Economic Association's (IIEA) international conference on the Iran's Economy at CNMS, Marburg
- 2015 International Workshop "Networks of Dependency", Marburg, Germany
- 2013 International Symposium on Sanctions and the Iranian Political Economy: Lessons and the Way Forward , CNMS, Marburg, Germany

Invited Presentations & Contributions

- 2020 Lions Club Wiesbaden “Sanctions & Iranian Economy”
- 2019 Global Economics Conference (GEC) (Kassel, keynote)
- German Science Day 2019 (DAAD, Cairo)
- Scenario expert workshop “How today’s uncertainties shape tomorrow’s world: Exploring future Yemens” (DIW, Berlin)
- 2018 3. Iranistik Forum, Iran-Haus (Berlin)
- 2017 “Oil rents, public spending, and resource curse in the Middle East”, Research Seminar on Environment, Resource and Climate Economics, DIW Berlin
- “Öl und Irans Politische Ökonomie: Flucht oder Segen“, University of Hamburg, Asien-Afrika-Institut
- Round table on Iran’s Economics at French Foundation for Strategic Research (Fondation pour la recherche stratégique), Paris.
- "Social Policy in Oil-Based Economies" Autumn School, Tehran, Iran.

- Center for International and Regional Studies (CIRS) at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar
- World Economic Forum on Middle East and North Africa 2017, Amman, Jordan (member of German delegation chaired by Defense Minister Dr. Ursula von der Leyen & Iran After Election panel at WEF)
- 2016
- Forschungskolloquiums des Institutes für Wirtschaftswissenschaften, University of Freiburg
- Jahreskolloquium 2016 - Der Beitrag der Europäischen Union zur Stabilisierung des Nahen Ostens und Nordafrikas, Mannheim
- Center for International and Regional Studies (CIRS) at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar
- Iranian-German Joint Research Workshop
- "German Science Days" at the German Science Centre in Cairo
- Koordinierungsgespräch „Stand und Perspektiven der Hochschulzusammenarbeit mit dem Iran“, Hochschulrektorenkonferenz, Bonn
- 2015
- Creating New Momentum for Nonproliferation and Disarmament in the Middle East/Gulf after the Failed 2015 Review Conference, HSFK/PRIF, Frankfurt
- Re-Thinking Energy: Scientific Input – Social Output Conference, German Science Centre in Cairo (DWZ)
- Wirtschaft und Weltpolitik: Neue Perspektiven auf das Spannungsfeld Nahost, Landau, Germany
- 2014
- Tag der deutschen Wissenschaft, Deutschen Wissenschaftszentrum (DWZ), Cairo, Egypt
- Civil Society and Natural Resource Management – NUPI-MSCE, Oslo, Norway
- Natural Resources and Governance International Workshop, Siegen University
- 1st International Conference and Project Meeting on Advanced Science and Technologies for Sustainable Development in Iran (STSD 2014), FU Berlin
- “Implications of Iran’s Deteriorating Economy”, Washington DC, USA
- Department of Economics Seminar, University of Bologna, Italy
- 2013
- “The Evolution of Gulf Global Cities” Working Group, Center for International and Regional

- Studies (CIRS) at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar
- Future of Iran's Economy, Legatum Institute, London
- Autónoma University of Madrid
- 2012 2. Stiftungstages, Doris und Dr. Michael Hagemann-Stiftung, Der „Arabische Frühling“ – Herausforderungen und Perspektiven, Marburg
- das iranische Wirtschaftssystem, Weltladen Marburg
- UNICEF-DRESDEN Diskussionsforum "Arabische Frühling-eine Revolution der Jugend"
- 2011 The Gulf Research Unit Annual Conference, University of Oslo
- The Gulf Research Unit Pre-Annual Conference, Oslo, Norway

Presentations at International Conferences/Workshops

- 2019 International Symposium “Political Economy of Sanctions” (Marburg)
- Workshop on “Research & Study Opportunities in Germany”, Kharazmi University (Tehran).
- “The resource curse”, University of Tehran, Faculty of Social Sciences.
- 26th International DAVO/DMG Congress (Hamburg)
- 18th International Conference of MEEA (Beirut)
- 6th International Conference on the Iranian Economy, University of Naples 'L'Orientale'; Italy (co-presenter & discussant).
- 75th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF 2019), Glasgow, Scotland.
- 2018 74th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (IIPF 2018), University of Tampere, Finland.
- Economic Research Forum's (ERF) 24th Annual Conference, Cairo, Egypt.
- European Public Choice Society Conference, Catholic University, Rome, Italy.
- 5th International Conference on Iran's Economy, International Institute of Social History, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
- 2017 11th Workshop on Political Economy, Dresden, Germany

- 33th German Oriental Studies Conference "Asia, Africa and Europe", Jena, Germany
- European Public Choice Society Conference, the Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
- VfS Annual Conference 2017: "Alternative Structures for Money and Banking", University of Vienna, Austria
- German-Arab Summer School in Law and Economics, University of Hamburg, Germany
- 2016 DAVO 2016 International DAVO Congress of Contemporary Research on the Middle East, Tübingen, Germany
- Natural Resource Management and Sustainable Development Summer School
- European Public Choice Society, Freiburg, Germany
- 2015 71st Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Dublin, Ireland
- Silvaplana Workshop in Political Economy, Pontresina, Switzerland
- Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Groningen, Netherland
- 2014 8th Workshop on Political Economy, Dresden, Germany
- Annual Meeting of the European Public Choice Society, Cambridge, UK
- "Doing Business: Past, Present, and Future of Business Regulation", McDonough School of Business, Georgetown University, USA.
- 2013 Second International Iranian Economic Association Conference, Istanbul
- 12th International Conference of MEEA: "The Arab Spring and MENA Economies: Quo Vadis?" Speyer, Germany
- 2012 Annual Conference of the German Economic Association (VfS), Georg-August-Universität Göttingen, Germany
- 68th Annual Conference of the International Institute of Public Finance, TU Dresden, Germany
- 2011 Inaugural Conference on Iran's Economy, SOAS, University of London, UK.
- Annual Conference of the German Economic Association (VfS), Frankfurt, Germany
- 18th Annual Conference of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, Rome, Italy

- The 34th IAEE International Conference, Stockholm, Sweden (special session)
- The 17th Annual Conference of the Economic Research Forum (ERF), Antalya, Turkey
- The 16th Spring Meeting of Young Economists, Groningen, the Netherlands
- The European Public Choice Society Conference, Rennes, France
- 2010 IAEE European Conference, Vilnius, Lithuania
- Fourth World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Montreal, Canada
- The Annual Meetings of the European Public Choice Society, Izmir, Turkey
- 2009 Annual Conference of the German Economic Association (VfS), Magdeburg, Germany
- The 8th International Conference of the Middle East Economic Association (MEEA), Nice, France
- 2008 The Annual Public Choice Society Meeting, Jena, Germany
- The 31st IAEE International Conference, Bridging Energy Supply and Demand: Logistics, Competition and Environment, Istanbul, Turkey
- The International Conference on Policy Modeling, EcoMod, Berlin, Germany
- Venice Summer Institute -Workshop on Illicit Trade and Globalization, 14-15 July, Venice, Italy
- Annual Conference of the German Economic Association (VfS), Graz, Austria
- 2007 Labsi International Conference on Political Economy and Public Choice: Theory and Experiments, Siena, Italy
- International workshop on the Economics of Corruption, 7-14 October 2007, Passau, Germany
- 2006 11th IIES International Oil and Gas Forum, Tehran, Iran
- 13th International DAVO Congresses, Hamburg, Germany

Academic Administration

Responsible Professor for International M.Sc. Program “Economics of the Middle East” (WS 2017/18 onwards) at School of Business and Economics /CNMS, University of Marburg • Member of CNMS Direktorium • Member of School of Business & Economics’ Professorium (since 2012) • Member of Demokratische Initiative (University of Marburg, since 2016)

Media

Interview with Iran International- Cheshm Andaz Program on the Iran Government Budget of 2019/20 (1398) <https://goo.gl/8mXxi8> (4 March 2019)

Interview with Monocle 24 radio in London (www.monocle.com/24) on the effects of sanction on smuggling in Iran (9 August 2012)

Interview with Bloomberg (26 July 2012) on the smuggling in Iran:
<http://www.bloomberg.com/news/2012-07-25/iranian-smugglers-feel-the-pressure-as-western-sanctions.html>

Interview with the BBC Persian (60 Minutes Program, 11 Feb. 2012) on the effects of oil sanctions on the Iranian economy

Interview with the Voice of America on the effects of energy sanctions on the Iranian economy (7th December 2011): <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Cj4-29-Ii3I&feature=share>

Interview with the BBC Persian (60 Minutes Program, 8 Jan. 2012) on the effects of Iran oil sanctions and conflict on the Hormuoz Strait