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PROFILE

- *Twenty five years of experience in public policy, research and international development
- *Demonstrated leadership and management in developing and high income countries
- *Technical expertise in Economics, Education, and Human Development
- *Advanced degrees in Economics and Development Studies from University of Sussex, UK and University of Pennsylvania, USA
- *Fluent Arabic, English and French

EXPERIENCE

02/19 – present **Manager**, Education Practice, Eastern and Southern Africa, World Bank, Washington, DC

Providing strategic leadership of the World Bank's education policy dialogue and programs in 16 countries in Eastern and Southern Africa. Managing a \$1.1 billion portfolio of education projects covering all levels of education. Supervising a team of 36 staff at headquarters and the field. Providing technical advice to the World Bank leadership and senior government officials.

05/15 – 02/19 **Manager**, Education Practice, Middle East and North Africa Region (MENA), World Bank, Washington, DC

Provided strategic leadership of the World Bank's education policy dialogue and programs. Introduced innovative solutions and guidance to governments and teams in the preparation, delivery and supervision of education programs. Expanded program from \$35 million in 2015 to \$800 million in new operations. Currently managing a portfolio of \$2 billion in program and advisory services. Advise senior government officials and senior World Bank management on education related issues in MENA.

07/14 – 04/15 **Lead Specialist**, Education Global Practice, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA

Provided strategic guidance and leadership to task teams in Burkina Faso, Nigeria Malawi and Zimbabwe. Led sector reviews, technical notes and policy papers. Led regional research on Early Childhood Development in the Middle East and North Africa and evidence based policy research on poverty and human development in Morocco.

04/13 – 06/14 **Sector Leader** for Caribbean and Haiti, Human Development (HD) Department, Latin America and the Caribbean, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA

Provided guidance to HD teams in 14 Caribbean countries, including the Dominican Republic and Haiti; Led the elaboration of HD strategies and sectoral strategies; coordinated sectoral inputs based on sound analytical work; led efforts to promote a solid public-sector management framework for HD sectors in the Caribbean and to position HD to contribute to the growth, equity, and resilience

agendas; advised management and staff on HD-related policy, analytical and operational issues; and worked with management to identify and encourage coordination of those tasks that require cross-sectoral approaches; ensured fluid communications and exchange of information between the country and sector management units.

04/11 – 04/13 **Senior Economist.** Human Development Department, Middle East and North Africa, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA.

Lead dialogue and advisory services for Saudi Arabia and prepared and supervised multi-million education projects in Djibouti. Regional Coordinator and team leader for Early Childhood Development in MENA and regional focal point for gender. Human Development Coordinator for the Gulf Cooperation Council countries.

10/08 – 03/11 **Regional Director,** West Asia and North Africa, the Population Council, Cairo, Egypt.

Headed the regional office and provided oversight to country and regional projects. Developed the regional strategy and annual budgets with a focus on quality and results. Managed three senior managers and a core staff of 30. Built partnerships with government agencies and development organizations. Raised funds and expanded the Council's work to other regions. Authored numerous studies on education, employment, gender and civic participation. Oversaw the first youth survey in Egypt and the largest in the Middle East and North Africa.

8/07 – 10/08 **Senior Economist.** Human Development Department, Middle East and North Africa, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA.

Team Leader for Education Programs in Iraq and Syria. Managed the largest portfolio under the Iraq program including 3 major operations and analytical studies totalling over \$160 million. Led dialogue with government officials, donor partners, and NGOs on education in Iraq. Presented the status of education in Iraq at a high profile event organized by the US Council for Foreign Relations. Prepared a strategy for education in Syria to help the government reform the sector focusing on greater efficiency and effectiveness.

4/05 – 7/07 **Senior Economist.** Office of the Chief Economist, Middle East and North Africa, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA.

Led the gender and economics work in MENA. Developed dialogue with client government agencies and colleagues on gender issues; prepared notes and studies on gender dimensions in economic development (employment, population, rural development). Represented the gender team internally and externally. Delivered workshops and seminars on gender and economics in the MENA region. Principle author of studies on Gender and Employment in Morocco and Gender Dimensions of Vocational Training in Morocco.

07/02 – 03/05 **Economist.** Human Development Department 2, Africa Region, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA.

Managed the Education Program in Burkina Faso and the Social Sector Program in Sao Tome and Principe. Led dialogue with clients and donors in the two countries. Provided guidance and leadership to task team members. Managed the Basic Education Project in Burkina Faso and worked closely with clients, donors and colleagues in resolving difficult implementation issues. Supervised the Burkina Faso Post-Primary Education Project until its successful closure. Prepared, negotiated and supervised the Social Sector Support Project in Sao Tome and Principe. Led and contributed to Economic and Sector Work including the preparation of the Niger Post-Primary Education Study, the Sao Tome and Principe Country Gender Assessment, the Education chapter in the Burkina Faso Public Expenditure Review, Education sections of the Sao Tome and Principe Country Economic Memorandum. *Recipient of 2006 IEG Best Practice Award for Burkina Faso Program*

03/00 – 07/02 **Young Professional**, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA

Team member for education projects in Burkina Faso, Sao Tome and Principe and Yemen. Prepared a study analyzing the literature on Trade and Gender. Co-authored education chapter for the Yemen Public Expenditure Review and Yemen Higher Education Rationalization study. Prepared economic analysis of projects in Cameroon, Chad and Sao Tome and Principe.

2/98 – 2/00 **Consultant Economist**, Population Council, Cairo, Egypt
Principal Investigator and author of Youth Livelihood Opportunities in Egypt Study.

9/98 – 12/99 **Research Associate**, Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt
Principal Investigator and author of Women and Work section of the 1998 National Labor Force Sample Survey. Prepared survey instruments, analyzed data, prepared report and presented results.

10/97 - 3/98 **Research Coordinator**, Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt
Assisted Managing Director in liaising with partner institutions, including preparation for and follow-up on research activities. Prepared notes on privatization, private sector development and trade in the MENA region which were included in the MENA Indicators Report.

5/96 - 7/96 **Research Assistant**, Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex, UK: Prepared background reading and information packages for participants in Study Seminar 'Sub-Saharan Africa: Through Structural Adjustment to Transformation', Accra, Ghana

2/94 - 9/95 **Project officer**, United Nations Women's Association, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.
Raised funds for local groups and organizations needing support. Established a scholarship Fund for girls of high academic merit and limited financial resources.

ASSOCIATIONS/AFFILIATIONS

- Talent Broker for Education Practice, World Bank, September 2016 – present
- Principal, Education Global Practice Management Team, World Bank, May 2015-present
- Member of the Africa Regional Human Development Leadership Team, Feb 2019 - present

- Member of the MENA Regional Management Team, May 2015-January 2019
- Policy Affiliate, Economic Research Forum, Cairo Egypt, 2013-present
- Chairperson, MENA Regional Strategy Development Working Group, World Bank, 2008
- Member, IMF/World Bank Arab Club Executive Board, World Bank, 2007-2008
- MENA Regional Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator, World Bank, 2007-2008
- Member, Advisory Group on Darfur Education and Conflict Project, Population Council 2007-2010

EDUCATION

- 9/97 **Master of Philosophy with distinction, Development Studies**
Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK
Dissertation: 'The Veil and the Market: Causes of Low Female Labour Force Participation in the Middle East - An Economic Analysis'
- 12/88 **Bachelor of Arts, Economics**
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS:

El-Kogali, Safaa El Tayeb and Caroline Krafft, eds (2020) *Expectations and Aspirations – A New Framework for Education in the Middle East and North Africa*. World Bank. Washington DC.

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El-Kogali, S. (2002) *Women and Work in Egypt: A Decade of Change in The Egyptian Labor Market in an Era of Reform* Assaad, R. (ed.) The Economic Research Forum, Cairo Egypt

Suliman E. and S. El-Kogali (2002) *Why are the Children Out of School? Factors Affecting Children's Education in Egypt*. Paper presented at the ERF Ninth Annual Conference, Sharja, UAE, October 28, 2002.

El-Kogali, S. And E. Suliman (2001) *Poverty, Human Capital and Gender: A Comparative Study of Yemen and Egypt*. Working Paper 0123, Economic Research Forum Working Paper Series.