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Policy Analyst

Experienced researcher in the social sciences with a focus on regulation, policy making, and entrepreneurship

Summary of Skills

- Report writing and editing
- Designing and implementing research projects independently
- Building stakeholder relationships, finding common ground, and developing joint activities
- Formulating strategy on the basis of comprehensive analysis
- Organizing, designing and conducting empirical research projects
- Gathering primary and secondary data from a variety of sources.
- Familiar with relevant software packages and data bases.

Relevant Projects

- PhD research on regulation and economic reform, including investigations of the historical record and a reconstruction of industry level trajectories.
- Research on four MENA education markets for the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) over a period of 3.5 years, including cooperation with ministries in partner countries and other stakeholders
- Research project for the International Labour Organization (ILO) on qualification profiles of sub-continental migrants to the UAE in 2014
- Performed multilingual market research, due diligence and PR assessment for corporate clients
- Work for an OSINT consultancy in Bristol, UK, between 2008 and 2010 (freelance and in-house)
- Tutoring, course design and MSc supervision for degrees in international public administration for SOAS, University of London, since 2009

Education

PhD in Financial and Management Studies University of London, UK	2010
MSc International Management for the Middle East and North Africa (distinction) School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), UK	2004
MA in Islamic Studies and General Linguistics (distinction) Karl-Eberhardts University, Germany	1997
Arabic Studies University of Alexandria, Egypt	1993
Linguistics and Middle Eastern Studies Hamburg University, Germany	1992

Technical Skills

MS Office Suite, Gephi (Network visualization), Wordpress, SPSS

Memberships

Member of the Academy of International Business (AIB)

Member of the Chartered Institute of Linguists (MCIL)

Professional Experience

Language Trainer (Graybridge Malkam) **Since September 2019**
Teaching German to Canadian diplomats preparing for assignments in German-speaking countries

Independent Consultant **Since January 2018**
Reinbek Consulting, Burnaby, BC until 5/2019, since then in Ottawa, ON

Independent Consultant **October 2017 to December 2017**
In Belfast, Northern Ireland

Assistant Professor **Sept 2014 to Sept 2017**
Department of Germanic Studies, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
Coordinator of the Honours Degree in Business Studies and German, teaching on the business and institutional environment of business in Germany and intercultural management.

Independent Consultant **Oct 2013 to Aug 2015**
J.K. Consulting FZE (a RAK Free Trade Zone company), UAE

Director **May 2010 to Aug 2013**
DAAD Information Centre, Abu Dhabi
Represented German universities and liaised with institutions and multiple stakeholders regionally.

Visiting Professor and Director **Jan 2013 to Aug 2013**
German Center at Zayed University, Abu Dhabi

Research Consultant **Jul 2008 to Apr 2010**
Olton Solutions, UK

Associate Analyst **Jun 2005 to Sept 2005**
Pyramid Research, UK
Business analysis for emerging markets in telecommunication.

Teaching Fellow (Instructor) **Sept 2004 to May 2005**
SOAS (Financial and Management Studies), UK
Curriculum development and lecturing for the MSc International Management for the Middle East and North Africa program.

Freelance Translator **May 1995 to Present**

Linguistic Qualifications

German State Examination for Translators **1998**
(Arabic-German/German-Arabic – Specialization: Business and Economics)

Diploma in Translation Japanese-English **2009**
Institute of Linguists (IoL), London, UK

Diploma in Translation English-German **2007**
Institute of Linguists (IoL), London, UK

Level 1 of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test **2001**

Volunteer Experience

- Co-operated in the translation of the Irish declaration of independence into Arabic for Trinity College Dublin (Ireland) on the occasion of the 2016 centennial of the Easter Rising

- Co-organizer of the Global Arabic Language Day celebrations in Dublin (Ireland) in 2017, with involvement of the Lord Mayor, NGOs, refugee volunteers and the embassies of five Arab countries
- Currently work as a volunteer translator for Translators Without Borders (Arabic-English translation)

Bibliography

The Oeuvre of Muhammad Ibn Muhriz Al-Wahrani. MA thesis, Karl-Eberhardts University in Tübingen, October 1997.

*"Problems of Air Pollution and Environmental Protection in Egypt."*In: CAIRO TIMES, June 1998.

Multinational Companies based in the Arab World: the Case of Egypt. London, 2004.
(MSc dissertation, London, unpublished)

"A Big Fish in a Small Pond," Africa & Middle East Market Perspective / Vol. 5, Issue 13, October Edition
Pyramid Research, London, September 2005.

(with Bassam Fattouh) *"The Outlook for Economic Reconstruction in Lebanon after the 2006 War"*, in: The MIT Electronic Journal of Middle East Studies, Vol. 6, Summer 2006.

Regulatory Change in Peripheral Authoritarianism, PhD Thesis, University of London, submitted 9/2009, title awarded 2/2010.

"Small is Beautiful: South-Korean-Gulf Relations as an Example of Strategic Engagement by Players in Different Arenas" in Niblock, Tim (ed.), *Asia-Gulf Economic Relations in the 21st Century: the Local to Global Transformation*. Gerlach Press. London and Berlin, March 2013.

"The Two Universes of Entrepreneurship in the UAE: An Answer to the Gulf Employment Conundrum?" in Kropf, Annika & Ramady (eds.), Mohamed, *Employment and Career Motivation in the Arab Gulf States: The Rentier Mentality Revisited*. Gerlach Press, London and Berlin, September 2015.

"Expatriate Entrepreneurship in the Gulf Region between Informality and a Globalized Knowledge Society"
American Journal of Entrepreneurship, Special Issue on Transnational Entrepreneurship, Volume 8, Issue 2, December 2015

"Coordination Problems of Coordinated Market Economies: Implications for Arms Trade and Military Services in the Gulf Region" in Des Roches, David B. & Thafer, Dania, *The Arms Trade, Military Services and the Security Market in the Gulf States: Trends and Implications*. Gerlach Press, London and Berlin, 2016.

"The Business and Economy of the MENA Region" Eight-Unit Distance Learning course for CeFIMS, SOAS, University of London. To be used on the CeFIMS distance learning program from 2018 onwards. London, 2018 (forthcoming).

"Ellie Kisyombe and Our Table – Between Activism and Entrepreneurship in Dublin, Ireland" in Heilbrunn, Sibylle & Freiling, Joerg & Harima, Aki (eds.), *Refugee Entrepreneurship: A Case-based Topography*. Routledge, 2018.