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RESEARCH INTEREST

Experimental economics (determinants of pro-social behavior, competition and its impact of knowledge sharing), Environmental economics (non-market evaluation, hedonic modelling) and Agricultural economics (agricultural policy implications on social-welfare).

EDUCATION

2014 to 2016

Master of Science (MSc) in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics (ENRE), the University of Rhode Island, GPA: 3.4/4.0

Subjects:

Econometrics, Microeconomics, Environmental & Resource Economics, Game theory, Statistical analysis, Cost-Benefit analysis, Optimization, Data analysis (Independently studied),

Project/Thesis:

“Collective Decision-Making in Times of Catastrophic Events”

2008 to 2013

Bachelor’s degree in Banking, Credit-economy faculty
Tashkent Financial Institute (TFI)

Subjects:

Accounting, Banking Investments, Insurance, Micro & Macroeconomics, Financial markets, Financial Analysis

CURRENT POSITION

September 2016 to present

Westminster International University in Tashkent (WIUT)
Associate lecturer (undergraduate modules)

- Research Methods, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Public Finance,
- Module leadership (developing syllabus, study materials)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

July-October, 2018

United States International Labor organization (ILO)

Independent consultant, “Qualitative survey on recruitment processes and practices in temporary seasonal agriculture in Uzbekistan, with a focus on cotton”

- Prepared Questionnaire, Field survey
- Contributing to writing report

June 12-23, 2017

Westminster International University in Tashkent (WIUT)
International Food Research Policy Institute (IFPRI)

- Applied Econometric methods (Panel data, IV, DiD, etc)
- Programming in Stata, Excel

Jan-May 2016

University of Rhode Island, ENRE

- Training certificate HSR (Human Subjects Research) Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI program), Passing grade: 85
Grade obtained: 96
- Experimental Economics research funded partially by the National Science Foundation EPSCoR Track-2 Cooperative Agreement IIA-1330406, Collaborative Research: North East Water Resources Network.

June 2015 to July 2015

International Food Research Policy Institute (IFPRI)

Research intern, Project: Economics of Land degradation in Central Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa (SSA).

- Data and econometric analysis
- Modelling in GAMS (at introductory level)
- Literature review

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

August 2013 to July 2014

KDB Bank Uzbekistan

Officer in Finance department

- Preparation of daily/weekly reports for board of directors
- Assistance in reconciliation and bookkeeping
- Improvement of the depth and comprehensiveness of operational reports

September 2008 to July 2013

“EKOTEHNOLOGIYA” technical-scientific enterprise

Project management assistant, economist

- Preparation of financial reports to management
- Calculation of economic indicators using electromagnetic device for pre-seeding processing of cotton seeds in Northern regions of Uzbekistan
- Participation in field experiments to develop and extract bio-fertilizers from urban residues

WORK IN PROGRESS

Kurbanov, Zafar and Emi Uchida. “Collective Decision-Making in Times of Catastrophic Events.”

Kurbanov, Zafar. “Competition Intensity and Knowledge Hiding: Experimental Study”

CONFERENCES

2018 November

“Social science knowledge and sustainable agricultural development along the Silk Road”, Tashkent, Uzbekistan

SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

Recipient of “National Research Contest”, organized in collaboration by Development Strategy Center, the Ministry of Innovation Development of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the United Nations Development Program and Westminster International University in Tashkent
Amount received 20,000,000 UZS (equivalent to 2500 USD)

Research (lab experiment) funding, National Science Foundation, North East Water Resources Network, 2016,
Amount received \$2000;

US Embassy in Tashkent, Public Affairs, Alumni Outreach Grants Program, Amount received: \$721

Fulbright Fellowship for a 2-year graduate program at the University of Rhode Island, USA

SKILLS

Languages

English (proficient; IELTS 8), Russian (proficient), Uzbek (native), German (beginner)

Technical

Stata (intermediate), Microsoft Office Suite, Z-tree (proficient), Matlab (beginner), GAMS

INTERESTS

Jogging, basketball, reading magazines and journals, collecting unique pens, writing, personal development

REFERENCES

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