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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Osama Ahmed



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Sex: Male

Date of birth: 01/08/1984

Nationality: Egyptian

WORK EXPERIENCE

Jan. 2018- Currently.

Research associate at The Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO), Department of Agricultural Markets. Halle (Saale), Germany

March 2017 – Dec. 2017

Project coordinator and Regional Coordinator of the project of “Improving the Incomes and Climate Resiliency of Egyptian Smallholder Farmers Pilot”. The project funded by Kellogg’s world company and ACDI/VOCA.

Nov. 2016 – Dec. 2017

Dubiety Director of Internship and Career Unit, Cairo University

Feb. 2015 – currently.

Associate professor at Agriculture Economics department, faculty of agriculture, Cairo University, Egypt.

Feb. 2015 – currently.

Senior Research Fellow, Center for Agricultural Economic Studies, Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University.

Oct. 2011 – Feb.2015

Researcher at the center of economic research and agricultural development (CREDA)-UPC-IRTA.

Feb.2010 – Sep.2011.

Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University Giza, Egypt.

- *Teaching Assistant in the Economics department at faculty of agriculture, Cairo University, Egypt.*

Dec.2005–Feb.2010

Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University Giza, Egypt.

- *Demonstrator in the Agri. Economics department at faculty of agriculture, Cairo University, Egypt.*

EDUCATION

Oct. 2011- Jan. 2015

PhD In Agricultural Economics. Catalonia Polytechnic University
Research Field: Food supply chain analysis, price analysis in developing countries, Risk Management, Agriculture insurance.

- Thesis title: “Using Statistical Copula to Measure Dependence in the Agro-food Sector”

Oct. 2007- Feb. 2010

Master degree in Agriculture Economics from Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University

- Thesis title: (An Economic Study of Egyptian Agriculture Labor Force in the Context of Economic Liberalization Policies).

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Oct. 2006 - June 2007

Postgraduate Specialization Diploma (DSPU)

- **Business Economics and Management. Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania, Crete, Greece.**

Sep. 2001 – May 2005

BSc in Agriculture science from Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University

- **Major: Agricultural Economics.**
- **Minor: Honey Bees**

PERSONAL SKILLS

Mother tongue(s)

Arabic

Other language(s)

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
(TOEFL 550 Paper Based). Study seven years in English.					
Spanish	Good	Good	Good	Good	Good

Computer skills

- **Expert in modelling software's such as (STATA, Matlab, Rats, SAS, and R program)**
- **Taken International Computer Driving Licence (ICDL) in 01/06/2011.**
- **Excellent Knowledge of Microsoft office and Internet.**

Job-related skills

- **Good command of Applied Economics, Agricultural Economics, Food Economics, food traceability, Agribusiness, Agricultural Marketing. With a broad geographical coverage in African countries such as Egypt and Niger, European ones such as Spain and Greece. Combining teaching, academic as well as professional experience.**

Communication skills

- **Within the last 11 years, I gained extensive professional experience in a wide spectrum of analytical tools include, but not limited to, economics techniques such as time series analysis techniques, correlation techniques parametric and nonparametric analysis techniques; Sector assessments and project feasibility, design, implementation, and result-based monitoring and evaluation.**

Academic Achievements and Awards:

1. **SEP.2011 – SEP.2014 PH.D. SCHOLARSHIP, LA AGENCIA ESPAÑOLA DE COOPERACIÓN INTERNACIONAL PARA EL DESARROLLO (AECID), SPAIN.**
2. **Oct.2006–Oct.2007 Postgraduate Specialization Diploma (DSPU) scholarship, CIHEAM, Greece.**
3. **June 2010 the best master thesis Award from Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt.**

Research Interest

- **Price analysis, food policies, time series econometrics, risk management.**

As Reviewer

- **Reviewer for Journal of Agricultural and applied Economics.**
- **Reviewer for Agricultural Economics (Journal of the International Association of Agricultural Economists).**
- **Reviewer for International Association of Agricultural Economists' Congress, Milano, Italy, August 8-14, 2015.**

**ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION****Publications**

1. **Ahmed, O., Serra, T., 2015.** "Economic Analysis of The Introduction of Agricultural Revenue Insurance Contracts in Spain Using Statistical Copulas". *Agricultural Economics*, Vol. 46, No. 1: 69-79. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/agec.12141>.
2. **Ahmed, O., Sallam, W., 2016.** "Study the volatility effect of agricultural exports on agriculture's share of GDP. The case of Egypt". *African Journal of Agricultural Research*. **Forthcoming**.
3. **Ahmed, O., Sallam, W., 2016.** "Assess the food security policy in Egypt using multi-market approach". *Spanish Economic Review* (first-round review).
4. **Ahmed, O., Abdelradi, F., 2016.** "Understanding the dependence structure between the futures and spot prices of wheat in Egypt". *Spanish Journal of Agricultural Research* (first-round review).
5. **Ahmed, O., Serra, T., 2016.** "Price transmission in the Niger millet markets. A copula approach. ". *Empirical Economics* (second-round review).
6. **Ahmed, O., Serra, T., 2016.** "Vertical price transmission in the Egyptian tomato sector after the Arab Spring". *Applied Economics* (second-round review).
7. **Ahmed, O., 2009.** "The Estimation of Demand on Labour under Alternative Scenarios", *Egyptian Journal of Agricultural Economics*, VOL.30, NO.4.

Working Papers:

1. **Ahmed, O., Sallam, W., 2016.** "The dynamic correlation between international trade and GDP in Egypt ".
2. **Ahmed, O., 2016.** "The technical efficiency of crop and animal farms in Upper Egypt ".

Conferences

1. **Ahmed, O., Serra, T., 2015.** “Vertical price transmission in the Egyptian tomato sector after the Arab Spring.” Paper presented at The 29th International Conference of Agricultural Economists in Millan, Italy 8-14 August, 2015.
2. **Abdelradi, F., Ahmed, O., 2016.** “Understanding volatility spillovers between Egyptian wheat spot price and futures prices” Paper presented at The Leibniz Institute of Agricultural Development in Transition Economies (IAMO)conference 2017, 21 - 23 June 2017 | Halle (Saale), Germany
3. **Ahmed, O., Serra, T., 2015.** “Evaluate the economic consequences of revenue insurance programs in Spain using copula models. the case of orange and apple markets.” Paper presented at The 29th International Conference of Agricultural Economists in Millan, Italy 8-14 August, 2015.
4. **Ahmed, O., Serra, T., 2014.** “Price volatility of food staples. The case of millet in Niger.” Paper presented at the 2014 European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE) Congress in Ljubljana, Slovenia, 26-29 August, 2014.
5. **Ahmed, O., Serra, T., 2014.** “Economic analysis of the introduction of agricultural revenue insurance contracts in Spain using statistical copulas.” Paper presented at the IX Congreso de Economía Agraria, Barcelona, Spain, 3-5 September, 2013.
6. **Ahmed, O., 2009.** "Characterization and Analysis of National, Agricultural and Non-Agricultural Unemployment in the Egyptian National Economy" , paper presented at the Fourth Conference on Recent Technologies in Agriculture, Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University, Egypt.

Research Team Member in the following research projects:

- **February 2016 – March 2017.** Participated as a master trainer in offering different training courses (Financial Analysis, Crop budget, farming as business, marketing mix, farm management and Production Plan & Contracting) at Qena, Luxor, Sohag, and Aswan regional to the development of small farmers' skills and drafting the final weekly, monthly, quarterly, and annually reports *related to the project of Advanced Marketing Agribusiness Logistics (AMAL), ACDI/VOCA, USAID. Duration:*
- **May 2015 - September 2015.** Participated as Economic Analyst in implementing an activity entitled “Advanced Marketing Agribusiness Logistics (AMAL), ACDI/VOCA, USAID”. Was responsible and supervisor for the process of collecting data from Qena, Sohag, Luxor, and Aswan. I participated in data entry and data polishing and I was the main responsible for data analysis using SPSS and participated in drafting the final report.
- **June 2013 - January 2015.** Participated as consultant, researcher, and Economic Analyst in implementing an activity entitled “The Environmental Efficiency of Spanish Agriculture”. *Funding: Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, VI Plan Nacional de Investigación Científica, Desarrollo e Innovación Tecnológica. Institutions Involved: Center of economic research and agricultural development, Polytechnic University of Cataluña, Barcelona, Spain.*
- **March 2011 -October 2014.** Participated as a Consultant and trainer in different studies and training programs in *the context of Midwest Universities Consortium for International Activities (MUCIA).*
- **September 2010 - August 2011.** Participated as consultant, researcher, and Economic Analyst in implementing an activity entitled “Integrated water resource management. *Funding: USAID with Ministry of Water Resources and Irrigation*”. *I was the main responsible for the process of collecting data from North and South Sinai. I participated in data entry, data polishing and I was the main responsible for data analysis using Excel & SPSS and participated in drafting the final report.*
- **January 2009 - September 2011.** Participated as consultant, researcher, and Economic Analyst in implementing an activity entitled “food quality management system and Traceability study of food products in Egypt”. *Funding: Support for Agricultural Research and Development Fund (ARDF) Institutions Involved: Center of Agricultural Economic Studies (CAES), Cairo University. Duration:*

COURSES TAUGHT:

- Principles of Economics, 6 credits (core course), Degree in Agribusiness Studies, University of Cairo (2015-2016).
- Microeconomics, 6 credits (core course), Degree in Agribusiness Studies, University of Cairo (2015-2016).
- Macroeconomics, 6 credits (core course), Degree in Agribusiness Studies, University of Cairo (2015-2016).
- Human Resource Management, 3 credits (elective course), Degree in Agribusiness Studies, University of Cairo (2015-2016).

References**You may contact the following Professors for references:**

1. José M. Gil Roig (chema.gil@upc.edu)
 - ✧ Professor at Department of Agro-food Engineering and Biotechnology. Technical University of Catalonia, and Director of Centre for Research in Agro-food and Development Economics-UPC-IRTA (CREDA).
2. Teresa Serra-i-Devesa (tserra@illinois.edu)
 - ✧ Associate Professor, Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics, University of Illinois.
3. Zein Kallas (zein.kallas@upc.edu),
 - ✧ Associate Professor at Department of Agro-Food Engineering and biotechnology, University of Catalonia, DEAB-UPC
4. Walid Yehia Salam (w.sallam@acdivoca-egypt.org)
 - ✧ Chief of Party, Advanced Marketing Agribusiness Logistics (AMAL), ACDI/ VOCA, USAID.
 - ✧ Associate Professor, Cairo University, Department of Agricultural Economics.

Supervision of Master and Ph.DTheses

- **Title: The effect of increasing food prices on poverty in Egypt. Multimarket Approach**
- **Author: Loai Aljbawi.**
- **University: Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University.**
- **Starting date: September 2015.**
- **Defence date: In Progress**
- **Directors: Gamal Siam, Osama Ahmed.**

- **Title: The impact of international agreements on Egyptian external trade of agricultural commodities using CGE model**
- **Author: Fahd Mohamed.**
- **University: Faculty of Agriculture, Cairo University.**
- **Starting date: September 2016.**
- **Defence date: In Progress**
- **Directors: Gamal Siam, Osama Ahmed.**