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Research interests

Economic growth, income inequality, gender inequality, sustainable development goals

Work experience

- Aug., 2019 – Present
Instructor of Economics, New York University Abu Dhabi
Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
I work as Instructor of Economics, teaching Statistics at New York University Abu Dhabi (NYUAD). Previously, I also taught Data Analysis and Economic Growth within NYUAD. At the same time, I continue my independent research in the areas of sustainable development in general, gender equality, financial inclusion, and economic policy analysis towards green productivity in particular.
- Aug., 2018 – Jul., 2019
Associate Economic Affairs Officer, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific: Subregional Office for South and South-West Asia
New Delhi, India
I worked at the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) South and South-West Asia Office towards promoting regional cooperation for inclusive and sustainable economic and social development in South and South-West Asia, where I was charged with contributing to the flagship report on the macroeconomic outlook of Asia and the Pacific, overseeing the internship programme, conducting research focusing on achieving SDGs in South and South-West Asia, and drafting project proposals for further funding.
- Jan. – Aug., 2018
Research Fellow, University of Milan-Bicocca, Department of Economics, Management and Statistics
Milan, Italy

- June. – Aug.,
2016 **Summer Intern, International Monetary Fund African Department**
Washington, D.C
Project: Gender inequality in financial access and macroeconomic outcomes
The project investigates the macroeconomic effects of gender inequality in financial inclusion, with a particular focus on sub-Saharan Africa.
- May – Oct.,
2011 **Human Resources Assistant, Club Med**
Antalya, Turkey
- May – Oct.,
2010 **Water Sports Animator, Club Med**
Bodrum, Turkey
- Sep., 2008 –
May., 2010 **Event Project Manager, Playmaker**
Istanbul, Turkey

Other appointments

- June, 2018 –
Present **Research Fellow, The Center for European Studies, Department of Economics, Management and Statistics (CefES-DEMS), University of Milan-Bicocca**
Milan, Italy
- 2019 **Consultant for the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific**
Thailand, Bangkok

Education

- 2016 – 2017 **The Kiel Institute for the World Economy** – Kiel, Germany
Advanced Studies Program in International Economic Policy Research
Research paper: The Effects of Inequality and Redistribution on Economic Growth to the Extent of Democracy Level
- 2014 – 2017 **University of Messina** – Messina, Italy
PhD in Economics Methods
Thesis: Studies on Income Inequality and Its Effects on Economic Growth *Summa cum laude*
- 2016 **University of Reading** – Reading, United Kingdom
Visiting PhD Research Student

2011 – 2013 **Yildiz Technical University** – Istanbul, Turkey
MSc in Statistics
Thesis: An Economic Growth Analysis for Euro Area Countries by Dynamic Panel
Ordinary Least Squares Method *GPA: 4.00/4.00*

2011 – 2013 **Istanbul University** – Istanbul, Turkey
BA in Econometrics
Thesis: The Tourism Demand Forecast in Turkey

Licenses and certifications

2021 **HeartSaver First Aid CPR AED Course Completion – Life Support Center,
Cleveland Clinic Abu Dhabi**

2022 **Level 2 Concept2 Indoor Rowing Coach – Italian Rowing Federation**

2021 **Safety Boat Handling – Royal Yachting Association**

2021 **Level 2 Powerboat Handling – Royal Yachting Association**

2021 **Level 2 Sailing – Royal Yachting Association**

2020 **Level 2 Rowing Coach - Rowing Australia**

2019 **RYT 200 Yoga Teacher - Yogashayan/India & Yoga Alliance**

2015 **Pilates Mat Instructor – Italian Fitness Federation**

United Nations learning

2018 **United Nations Human Rights Responsibilities for staff in DEVNET, IN-
FONET, LEGALNET and POLNET (English)**

2019 **BSAFE (French)**

2019 **Written Communications Training**

2018 **Discovery Series: Available IT Tools**

- 2018 **Umoja Benefits Employee Self Service (ESS) Overview**
- 2018 **Umoja Employee Self Service (ESS) Basic Navigation**
- 2018 **Umoja ECC Navigation**
- 2018 **Preventing Fraud and Corruption at the United Nations (English)**
- 2018 **Prevention of Sexual Exploitation and Abuse by UN Personnel (English)**
- 2018 **Information Security Awareness - Foundational (Low Bandwidth)**
- 2018 **Prevention of Sexual Harassment and Abuse by United Nations Personnel - Working Harmoniously**
- 2019 **Umoja BI Navigation**

Awards

- 2012 First place in the Statistical Research Project Competition organized by n'den'ye Gezinti Statistics Review with A Logistic Regression Application on Credit Scoring Project

Publications

- 2022 **Enhancing Youth's and Women's Financial Inclusion in South Asia**
Aslan, G.
Cogent Economics and Finance, Volume 10, Issue 1.
- 2019 **Towards Financial Inclusion in South Asia: A Youth and Gender Perspective**
Aslan, G.
Development Papers 1902, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) South and South-West Asia Office.
- 2018 **Direct and Indirect Effects of Income Inequality on Economic Growth Through Political Economy: Taxes as Proxy of Redistributive Pressure**
Aslan, G.
Journal of Income Distribution.
- 2018 **What is Driving Financial Inclusion Across Countries?**
Deléchat, C., Newiak, M., Xu, R., Yang, F., and Aslan, G.
IMF Working Paper 18/38, Washington, D.C: International Monetary Fund.

- 2017 **The Effects of Income Inequality and Redistribution in Democracies: A Dynamic Panel Data Approach**
Aslan, G.
Dynamic Econometric Models, Uniwersytet Mikolaja Kopernika, vol. 17.
- 2017 **Inequality in Financial Inclusion and Income Inequality**
Aslan, G., Deléchat, C., Newiak, M. and Yang, F.
IMF Working Paper 17/236, Washington, D.C: International Monetary Fund.

Conference papers

- 2017 **Direct and Indirect Effects of Income Inequality on Economic Growth through Political Economy: Taxes as Proxy of Redistributive Pressure**
Aslan, G.
Trends in inequality: social, economic and political issues, International Conference on Inequality, November 2-4, Bologna, Italy
- 2016 **Testing direct and indirect effects of income inequality on economic growth through political economy: Income and profit taxes as a proxy of redistributive pressure**
Aslan, G.
ICHSS 2016, 6th International Conference on Humanities and Social Sciences, December, 10, London, U.K
- 2015 **Redistribution and Inequality Impact on Economic Growth to the Extent of Economic Freedom**
Aslan, G.
in proceedings of the International Institute of Social and Economic Sciences (IISES) 18th International Academic Conference, 112-120, August 25-28, London, United Kingdom.
- 2012 **Comparative Statistical and Econometric Analysis of Macroeconomic Variables for Greece, Spain, Portugal, Italy and Turkey**
Aslan, G. and Karaman, F. (2012).
presented on 13th International Symposium on Econometrics Operations Research and Statistics (Poster Session), May 24-26, Famagusta, Cyprus
- 2012 **Comparing Logistic Regression, Discriminant and CHAID Analyses on Credit Scoring Application**
Aslan, G., Kayman, H., and Karaman, F.
in proceedings of the 13th International Symposium on Econometrics Operations Research and Statistics, May 24-26, Famagusta, Cyprus

- 2011 **Calculation of Value at Risk on ISE100 index, by using Monte Carlo Simulation Method**
Aslan, G. and Karaman, F.
in proceedings of the 12th International Symposium on Econometrics Operations Research and Statistics, May 26-28, Denizli, Turkey

Presentations

- 2017 The Effects of Inequality and Redistribution on Economic Growth to the Extent of Democracy Level
Kiel Institute for the World Economy, Advanced Studies Program Conference, Kiel, Germany
- 2017 Inequality in Financial Inclusion, Gender Gaps, and Income Inequality with Deléchat, C., Newiak, M. and Yang, F.
IMF Conference on Gender and Macroeconomics, Washington, D.C, U.S
- 2017 Negative Impact of Inequality on Economic Growth: Testing Transmission Channels
Kiel Institute for the World Economy Lunch Time Seminars, Kiel, Germany
- 2016 Drivers and Impact of Financial Inclusion
IMF Financial Systems and Inclusive Growth Network Seminars , Washington, D.C, U.S with Deléchat, C., Newiak, M. and Yang, F.

Referees

Dr. Blaine Robbins
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Former coordinator of the PhD Program of the University of Messina

Technical skills

Programming languages & software

LaTeX, Microsoft Office, E-views, STATA, SPSS, MATLAB, R, Python

Languages

Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), French (Fluent), Italian (Fluent), German (Beginner), Arabic (Beginner)

Interests

Sports: Rowing, sailing, kayaking, windsurfing, wakeboarding, running, cycling, swimming, basketball, pilates, yoga, ice skating, skiing, climbing

Dance: Jazz, modern

Poetry

Achievements in sports

Rowing Athlete & Coach (Including national titles, national record holder, and World Championships finalist)