Hany Abdel-Latif — CV

International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Email: habdel-latif@imf.org | homepage: https://www.hanomics.com

ORCID: 0000-0003-3810-6807 | Scholar: Link | LinkedIn: Link | GitHub: Link

Profile

Senior Economist and Lead of the IMF NowHub, specializing in real-time surveillance, nowcasting, and machine learning for macroeconomic analysis. Conducts policy-relevant research and provides operational support and analytical expertise for IMF programs, including program design, monitoring, and policy dialogue. Has coauthored several IMF flagship publications and contributed to conflict and fragility research, as well as the Africa Perspectives series. Possesses expertise across a broad range of policy areas, including real sector dynamics, monetary policy, and fiscal policy in low-income and developing economies.

Appointments

- Senior Economist, International Monetary Fund (2025–present)
 - IMF NowHub Lead; Desk Economist.
- Economist, International Monetary Fund (2021–2025)
 - IMF NowHub Lead; Desk Economist.
- Lecturer [Assistant Professor], Swansea University, UK (2015–2021)
 - Research/teaching positions (Econometrics, Forecasting)
- Teaching Assistant, Swansea University, UK (2010–2015)
 - Research/teaching positions (Econometrics, Forecasting)

Education

- PhD in Economics, Swansea University, UK (2015)
- MSc in Economics, City, University of London (2010)

Publications

Academic Journals [12]

- [1] Echoes Across Borders: Macroeconomic Spillover Effects of Conflict in Sub-Saharan African Countries, Journal of African Economies, 2025.
- [2] White Elephants on Quicksand: Low Oil Prices and High Geopolitical Risk, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, 2022.

- [3] The Ephemeral Brent Geopolitical Risk Premium, Economics of Energy & Environmental Policy, 2020.
- [4] An Optimal Early Warning System for Currency Crises Under Model Uncertainty, Central Bank Review, 2020.
- [5] Financial Liquidity, Geopolitics, and Oil Prices, Energy Economics, 2020.
- [6] Rising Inequality and de-Democratization, Middle East Development Journal, 2020.
- [7] FDI Response to Political Shocks: What Can the Arab Spring Tell Us?, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Finance, 2019.
- [8] Arab Countries Between Winter and Spring: Where Democracy Shock Goes Next!, Economies, 2019.
- [9] Antecedents of War: The Geopolitics of Low Oil Prices and Decelerating Financial Liquidity, Applied Economics Letters, 2019.
- [10] Asymmetric Impacts of Oil Price Shocks on Government Expenditures: Evidence from Saudi Arabia, Cogent Economics & Finance, 2018.
- [11] Catching the Mirage: The Shadow Impact of Financial Crises, The Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance, 2017.
- [12] From Soviet to Europe: Returns to Education Puzzle in Bulgaria, Labour, 2016.

Working Papers [8]

- [1] Spillovers from Large Emerging Economies: How Dominant Is China? International Monetary Fund, 2025.
- [2] Understanding Trade Dynamics in Sub-Saharan Africa. International Monetary Fund, 2025.
- [3] Fraying Threads: Exclusion and Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa. International Monetary Fund, 2024.
- [4] Cheaper by the Dozen: Family Size Effects on Children's Educational Attainment in Egypt. Available at SSRN, 2019.
- [5] Corruption, Political Instability and Growth: Evidence from the Arab Spring, Available at SSRN. 2018.
- [6] Are Politically Connected Firms Turtles or Gazelles? Evidence from the Egyptian Uprising, Available at SSRN. 2018.
- [7] Asymmetric Growth Impact of Fiscal Policy: Evidence from Egypt, Available at SSRN. 2016.
- [8] Global Financial Crisis, Credit Access and Children: Evidence from Tanzania, Available at MPRA. 2016.

Policy Reports [11]

- [1] Climate-Adjusted Macroeconomic Projections for Seychelles. IMF Seychelles Fourth Reviews, Annex II. 2025.
- [2] Steady but Slow: Resilience Amid Divergence. IMF, World Economic Outlook, 2024.
- [3] Uganda's Monetary Policy Transmission. IMF Selected Issues Paper, 2024.
- [4] Seychelles' Debt Scenarios and Fiscal Targets. IMF Seychelles Article IV Consultation, Annex VII, 2024.
- [5] Light on the Horizon? IMF, Regional Economic Outlook, Sub-Saharan Africa, 2023.
- [6] At a Crossroads: Sub-Saharan Africa's Economic Relations with China. IMF Note, 2023.
- [7] The Big Funding Squeeze. IMF, Regional Economic Outlook, Sub-Saharan Africa, 2023.
- [8] Living on the Edge. IMF, Regional Economic Outlook, Sub-Saharan Africa, 2022.
- [9] Managing Oil Price Uncertainty and the Energy Transition. IMF Note, 2022.
- [10] A New Shock and Little Room to Maneuver. IMF, Regional Economic Outlook, Sub-Saharan Africa, 2022.
- [11] One Planet, Two Worlds, Three Stories. IMF, Regional Economic Outlook, Sub-Saharan Africa, 2021.

Blogs [7]

- [1] Seychelles' Path to Macroeconomic Stability and Resilience. IMF Blog, Country Focus, 2025.
- [2] The Unchecked Blaze of Next-Door Conflicts: Africa's Experience. Hanomics, 2024.
- [3] Surviving Quicksand. Hanomics, 2024.
- [4] How Distrust of Government by Marginalized People Fuels Conflict in Africa. IMF Blog, Chart of the Week, 2024.
- [5] China's Slowing Economy Will Hit Sub-Saharan Africa's Growth. IMF Blog, Country Focus, 2023.
- [6] Savings from Oil Revenues Could Help Africa's Producers Manage Price Swings. IMF Blog, Country Focus, 2022.
- [7] When You're Stuck in Quicksand, Stop Kicking. ERF Blog, The Forum, 2018.

Software Packages [1]

[1] IMFnow: The IMF Nowcasting Framework in R. R Package (forthcoming), 2025.