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Academic Employment

2022 – present
- **Senior Research Fellow**, Institute for Innovation & Public Purpose, University College London
- **Visiting Research Fellow**, Nurkse Department of Innovation & Governance, Tallinn University of Technology

2020 – 2022
- **Junior Research Fellow**, Nurkse Department of Innovation & Governance, Tallinn University of Technology, Affiliations: Non-Western Governance Research Unit

2014 – 2016
- **Lab Manager**, Center for Decision Sciences, Columbia Business School, Columbia University

Education

- **Ph.D.** in Public Administration, Tallinn University of Technology, 2020 – 2022
        Supervisor: Wolfgang Drechsler
- **M.A.** in Technology Governance, Tallinn University of Technology, 2018 – 2020
- **Ijāzat** in Mālikī Jurisprudence, Traditional Seminaries in Mauritania & Morocco, 2016 – 2018
- **Postbaccalaureate** in Graduate Foundations, Columbia University, 2014 – 2016
- **B.A.** in International Relations and Near East Languages & Civilizations, University of Pennsylvania, 2006 – 2010

Grants & Scholarships

- **2022 – 25. Co-Investigator**, John Templeton Foundation Grant ($2m), [Islamic Public Value: Theory, Theology, and Practice of Indigenous Cooperative Governance Institutions](#), with W. Drechsler (PI) and R. Kattel (Co-PI).
- **2020 – 22.** Nurkse Department of Innovation and Governance Targeted Scholarship (doctoral)
- **2018 – 20.** Dora Scholarship (masters), European Union Regional Development Fund
- **2011.** Ambassadorial Scholarship (Brazil & Ecuador), Rotary International
- **2008.** Critical Language Scholarship (Arabic), U.S. Department of State

Research

Interests: comparative public policy and administration, indigenous institutions, *eudaimonia*, technology & society, craft, the commons, how purpose-driven innovation can shape the business and wider socio-economic environment of communities, ethnographic fieldwork and qualitative research methods.

Peer-reviewed Publications

2024
- *Islamic Public Value: Theory & Praxis of Indigenous Cooperative Institutions*. Forthcoming book manuscript with Edward Elgar Publishing

2023
- [Geography, uneven development and population density: attempting a non-ethnocentric approach to development](#). With E. Reinert and X. Zhao. In *A Modern Guide to Uneven Economic Development*.
- [Plan Bee: The Case of an Islamic Honey Cooperative in Morocco](#). *Administrative Culture*, 23 (1), 4-26.
- [Islamic Public Administration and Islamic Public Value: Towards a Research Agenda](#). With W. Drechsler and R. Kattel. *Public Policy and Administration*, OnlineFirst.

2022
- [In the Semi-Shadow of the Global West: Moroccan *zawāyā* as Good Public Administration](#). With W. Drechsler. *Public Administration Review,* 82 (4): 747-755. (Received Best Paper Award from the School of Business and Governance, Tallinn University of Technology)
- [Islamic Public Administration in Sunlight and Shadow: Theory and Practice](#). With W. Drechsler. *NISPAcee Journal of Public Administration and Policy*, 65 (4): 919-928.

2017
- [Community trust reduces myopic decisions of low-income individuals](#). With J. Jachimowicz, S. Munrat, J. Prabhu and E. Weber. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 114 (21), 5401-5406.

In Progress

- Robustness in the Sacred Commons: A Critical Appreciation of Ostrom (*Journal of Business Ethics*)
- Purpose-driven entrepreneurship of indigenous cooperative institutions: A synthesis of cases from the Islamic context – research paper (target: *Academy of Management Review*)
- Towards an ethical innovation policy – research paper (target: *Journal of Industry, Competition and Trade//Journal of Responsible Innovation*)
- Status, non-market goals, and economies of scope: Cases of sacred craft from West Africa – research paper (target: *Academy of Management Discoveries//Organization Studies*)
- Mapping constellations of (Amazigh) indigenous governance in Morocco – research paper (target: *Governance*)

Teaching

Institute for Innovation & Public Purpose, University College London
- 2023–24 *Thesis Bootcamp – Qualitative Methods* (graduate)

Nurkse Department of Innovation & Governance, Tallinn University of Technology
- 2023–24 *Implementing Governance in a Globalized World* (graduate); co-taught with W. Drechsler
- 2019-22 *Economics & Finance of Innovation* (graduate); as teaching assistant
- 2019-22 *Technology & Society* (graduate); as teaching assistant
- 2019-22 *Non-Western Public Administration* (graduate); as teaching assistant

Supervision

Main Advisor, Masters
- UCL: Iulia Lumina (2024), Mahmud Mohammady (2024), Aidha Wardani (2023),
- Tallinn University of Technology: Umut Can Yurt (2023), Ogunsolo Olamide (2021)

Committee, PhD
- Tallinn University of Technology: Mehmet Orpak (2026 expected)

Presentations (invited talks*)

2023
- "*Maslaha* in the Maghreb: The Role of Indigenous Institutions in Shaping the Commonweal"
  - [George Mason University](#)*
- "Indigenous Ethics: Understanding Fairness via Time & Purpose"
  - [Fairfield University](#)*
- "Governing in the Semi-Shadow of the Global West: The Case of Moroccan *zawāyā*"
  - [Centre for African Smart Public Value Governance](#)*
- "Public Value & The Sacred: Towards a Research Agenda"
  - Asian Association for Public Administration (AAPA) Conference, Meiji University, Tokyo
- "Sacred Commons? Environmental, Economic, & Social Stewardship of an Indigenous Apiary"
  - [IIPP Enrichment Lecture Series](#), UCL

- o [Université Internationale de Rabat](#)*
- o [Yale University](#)*

2019

- "*Zawāyā*: Traditional institutions of contemporary administration"
  - o Middle East and North Africa Public Administration Research (MENAPAR) Conference

Professional Service

- **Refereeing:** *Administrative Culture, International Review of Administrative Sciences, Critical Perspectives on Accounting, Organization Studies, Public Policy & Administration*

Other Work Experience

- **Co-Founder & Mortician,** CoLiberate (collaborative SaaS for makerspaces), 2017 – 2018
- **Data Analyst,** The Earth Institute, Columbia University, 2012 – 2014
- **Research Assistant,** Innovations for Poverty Action, Morocco Country Office, 2011 – 2012
- **Consultant** at Global Business Services, IBM, New York City, USA, 2010

Languages

- **Native:** Darija, English
- **Fluent:** Arabic
- **Limited Proficiency:** French, Portuguese, Spanish
- **Computer:** R (Tidyverse, Shiny, regr), pandas, STATA, Git