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EDUCATION

- **PhD Economics** (*Pass with No Corrections*) **2013-2017**
Durham University, UK. Thesis: **Macroeconomic Fluctuations and Financial Frictions**
Supervisors: 1. Prof. Parantap Basu 2. Dr. Thomas Renstrom
- **MSc in Economics and Finance** (*with merit*) **2010-2011**
Durham University, UK. Thesis: *Equilibrium Real Exchange Rate in Albania* (with Distinction)
- **MSc in Economics**, (*Part-time, Grade average 86%*) **2005-2007**
Tirana University, Albania (*Joint Program with Bamberg University of Germany*)
- **BA Degree in Business Administration** (*Major: Investment, Financial Management*) **1996-2000**
Boğaziçi Üniversitesi (*Bosphorus University*), Istanbul, Turkey.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- **Economist Central Bank of Albania** **2003- 2010; 2011-2013; Current**
Macro analysis and research. Publications at Bank of Albania:
(i) *'Spillover Effects of ECB's Quantitative Easing in a SoE'*, 12-th SEE Workshop at Bank of Albania, December 6-7, 2018 Tirana.
(ii) *'Virtual currencies and Central Banking'*, Poster Presentation, 12-th SEE Workshop at Bank of Albania, December 6-7, 2018 Tirana.
(iii) *"Role of Exchange Rate in Trade Flows: Does Marshall-Lerner Condition Hold in Albania"*, Bank of Albania Working Paper No.13 (52) 2013.
(iv) *"Equilibrium Exchange Rate in Transition Countries"*, Bank of Albania Discussion Paper No.04 (54), 2012.
(v) *"Stochastic Growth and Economic Fluctuations: SVEC Approach"*, Bank of Albania (2012) (unpublished).
(vi) *Institutional and Operational Framework Toward a Forward Looking Regime*, 7-th Conference "Monetary Policy Strategies for Small Economies", Tirana, December 6-7, 2007.
(vii) Manuscript proposal on *"Inflation Targeting Framework"*, Open Forum "Preconditions for Inflation Targeting in Albania", December 1-2, 2005;
- **Credit Analyst, Corporate Credit** (*National Commercial Bank-BKT, Albania*) **2002-2003**
- **Teaching Experience (Part-time)**
Teaching Assistant of **'International Finance'** at MSc level (*Durham University, UK*) **2014 - 2017**
Teaching Fellow of **'Risk Management & Insurance'** (*Epoka University, Albania*) **2012 - 2013**
Teaching Fellow of **'Loan Management & Credit Analysis'** (*Epoka University, Albania*) **2009 - 2010**
Teaching Fellow of **'Labor Economics'** (*Tirana University, Albania*) **2008 - 2009**
- Languages: Albanian (*native*); English (*fluent*); Turkish (*fluent*); Italian (*moderate*);
- Excellence letter by JVI (Joint Vienna Institute) - 3 month Program organized by IMF in 2004.