# VETON ZEQIRAJ

#### **EDUCATION**

Aug 2018 – January 2019 University of Arkansas – The Sam M. Walton College of Business, USA

Visiting Scholar – Fulbright Faculty Development Program

Feb 2012 – December 2018 Niğde Ömer Halisdemir University, Turkey

#### PhD

PhD. of Business Administration (PhD. BA). Fields of study Mathematics and Statistics, Econometrics I, Financial Institutions, Microeconomics, Advanced Topics in Financial Economics, Theories of the Firm, Empirical Methods in Finance, Econometrics II, Corporate Finance, Research Methods in the Social Sciences, Financial Economics under Asymmetric Information, Accounting Information and Capital Markets, Value Based Management, Financial Institutions, Strategic Finance, Scientific Research Methods, Portfolio Management, Financial Analysis Asset Pricing, Corporate Finance, Empirical finance, Financial Econometrics; International Finance and Corporate Governance.

Feb 2007 – Jan 2010 University of Prishtina Prishtina, Kosovo *Masters Degree* 

 Master in Bank, Finance and Accounting (MA). Engaged as scientific research for demonstrated successes as a student of excellence.

Oct 2002 – Oct 2006 University of Prishtina Prishtina, Kosovo *Bachelor's Degree* 

 Bachelor of Management and Informatics (BA). Engaged as scientific research for demonstrated successes as e student of excellence

#### **EXPERIENCE**

Oct 2012 – Present University of Prishtina Prishtina, Kosovo *Teaching Assistant* 

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- Assisting the teacher with standard housekeeping tasks like taking attendance, collecting homework, and recording grades.
- Helping teachers prepare and set up materials and information for lessons.
- Reinforcing lessons and providing students assistance as they complete classwork. This might include small group or one-onone help.
- o Helping teachers work through issues with individual students

Jan 2015 – on going Central Bank of Kosovo Prishtina, Kosovo Senior Advisor

- Provide a methodology to identify and analyze the financial impact of loss to the organization, employees, the public, and the environment
- Prepare risk management and insurance budgets and allocate claim costs and premiums to departments and divisions. Provide for the establishment and maintenance of records including insurance policies, claim and loss experience.
- Assist in the review of major contracts, proposed facilities, and/or new program activities for loss and insurance implications.

Jan 2012 – Dec 2014 Central Bank of Kosovo Prishtina, Kosovo Chief of Pension and Trade of Securities Division

 Manage division and staff; provides direction for inspections; plans for training; and conduct performance evaluations of staff. Determine the priority objectives of pension fund and market securities supervision according to the business plan. Recommends changes in other Policies, Procedures, Regulations, and Rules for Pension Funds and Market Securities Supervision

Feb 2012 – Dec 2012 ILLYRIA College Prishtina, Kosovo Lecturer in International Finance

- Main duties and responsibilities:
  - O To teach at undergraduate and graduate level in areas allocated by the Head of Department and reviewed from time to time by the Head of Department.

- To carry out research and produce publications, or other research outputs, in line with personal objectives agreed in the Staff review process.
- To obtain research funding support, to contribute to the development, planning and implementation of a high quality curriculum.

Feb 2007 – Dec 2013 Central Bank of Kosovo Prishtina, Kosovo Senior Examiner

 Leading on-site examinations, post examination activities including preparation of report of examination with assigned risk ratings and supervisory strategies, development of enforcement actions – MOUs, and other enforcement actions

Apr 2006 – Jun 2010 FAMA College Prishtina, Kosovo *Teaching Assistant* 

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## **SCHOLARSHIPS & SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS**

- Fulbright Faculty Development Program
- The Euro Area Business Cycle Network (EABCN) Individual Member

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Zeqiraj, Veton, Shawkat Hammoudeh, Omer Iskenderoglu, and Aviral Kumar Tiwari. 2019. "Banking sector performance and economic growth: evidence from Southeast European countries." *Post-Communist Economies* (Routledge Taylor Francis Group ) 1-18. doi:10.1080/14631377.2019.1640988.

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- Ali, Hamisu Sadi, Veton Zeqiraj, Woon Leong Lin, Siong Hook Law, Zulkornain Yusop, Uweis Abdulahi Ali Bare, and Lee Chin. 2019. "Does quality institutions promote environmental quality?" *Environmental Science and Pollution Research* 1-11. doi:10.1007/s11356-019-04670-9.
- Ali, Hamisu Sadi, Siong Hook Law, Zulkornain Yusop, Veton Zeqiraj, Yusuf Ibrahim Kofarmata, and Fatima Muhammad Abdulkarim. 2018. "Remittance and growth nexus: bootstrap panel granger-causality evidence from high remittance receiving countries." *International Journal of Economics and Business Research* 15 (3): 312-324. doi:10.1504/IJEBR.2018.10011592.
- Zeqiraj, Veton, Fitor Murati, and Valon Zeqiraj. 2017. "Microfinance Institutions in Kosovo Regulation and Supervision Issues and Challenges." *Review of European Studies* 9 (4): 93-113. doi:10.5539/res.v9n4p94.
- Zeqiraj, Veton. 2013. "Financial Performance Banking Sector in Kosovo." Journal of Business Management and Economics 4 (11): 223-231.

#### **CERTIFICATE**

- CFA -Chartered Financial Analyss Level I
- Certificate of Completion Advanced Econometric Course for Time Series and Panel Data – 2018

#### **SEMINARS**

- IMF Institute for Capacity Development Washington D.C Financial market Analysis June 14 2017 August 2, 2017.
- Systemic Risk Assessment: Identification And Monitoring Bank Of England - 2017
- Central Bank Governance DEUSTCHE BUNDESBANK EUROSISTEM 2016
- International Economic Analysis and Relations BANCA D'ITALIA EUROSISTEM - 2016

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- Seminar Financial Risk Management for Central Banks: Implementing Comprehensive Framework to Deal with Institutional and Investment Challenges - The International Organisation of Pension Supervisors (IOPS) – 2010
- Selected Insurance Core Principles for Supervisors JVI Joint Vienna Institute - 2009
- Banking Regulation and Supervision Methods Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency-Turkey - 2008
- International Financial Reporting Standards Financial Services
   Volunteer Corps with the support of the U.S. Agency for
   International Development Albania
- Internship Program by Central Bank of the Republic of Kosovo 2005.

#### **REFERENCES**

## Gary D. Ferrier

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