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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics , University of Bordeaux, France Thesis Topic: Social Protection and Food Security in Africa	2024-present
M.Sc. Economics and Public Policy , University of Bristol, UK	2013
M.A. Economics , The American University in Cairo, Egypt	2012
B.A. Economics , The American University in Cairo, Egypt	2011

FULL-TIME RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)	August 2019 – October 2024
• Senior Research Associate	January 2023 – October 2024
• Research Associate	January 2022 – December 2022
• Senior Research Assistant	August 2019 – December 2021
Senior Researcher, Central Bank of Egypt	September 2017 – March 2019
Macro-Strategy Research Analyst, EFG Hermes Holding	May 2016 – September 2017
Junior Economist, CI Capital Holding	March 2015 – May 2016
Trade & Investment Assistant, The British Embassy in Cairo	February 2014 – March 2015
Economic Researcher, The Egyptian Ministry of International Cooperation	January 2012 – October 2012

PART-TIME / SHORT-TERM RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Senior Research Associate, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)	April 2019 - July 2019
Consultant, Maghraby Foundation	February 2015 – May 2015
Market Researcher, The Korean Embassy in Cairo	July 2011 – November 2011
Research Assistant, The American University in Cairo, Economics Department	February 2011– May 2012

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- “Evaluating Cereal Market (Dis)Integration in Less Developed and Fragile Markets: The Case of Sudan,” with Kibrom Abay, Clemens Breisinger, and Khalid Siddig, *Food Policy*, Volume 114, January 2023.
- “Plot size and sustainable input intensification in smallholder irrigated agriculture: Evidence from Egypt,” with Kibrom Abay, Hoda El-Enbaby, Mai Mahmoud, and Clemens Breisinger, *Agricultural Economics*, Volume 53, Issue 5, August 2022.

Book Chapters

- “Middle East and North Africa,” with Kibrom Abay, Sikandra Kurdi, and Mohsen Sarhan, IFPRI Global Food Policy Report (GFPR) 2024: Food Systems for Improved Diet Quality and Nutrition, *Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)*, March 2024.
- “The Russia-Ukraine Crisis Poses a Serious Food Security Threat for Egypt,” with Kibrom Abay, Clemens Breisinger, Joseph Glauber and David Laborde, In: *The Russia-Ukraine Conflict and Global Food Security*, eds. Joseph Glauber and David Laborde, chapter 24, pages 125-128, *Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)*, March 2022.

Working and Discussion Papers

- “Integrating Nutrition Behavioral Communication Change in Food Distribution Programs: Evidence from a Randomized Intervention in Egypt” with Kibrom Abay, Aliaa Ahmed, Naglaa Arafa, Sikandra Kurdi, [in progress].
- “The effect of input cost on crop choice and agricultural productivity: Evidence from Ethiopia’s Smallholders,” with Kibrom Abay, Hailemariam Tiruneh, Meseret Wondale, [in progress].
- “Can Digital Cash Transfers Serve those in Active Conflict? Evidence from a Randomized Intervention in Sudan” with Kibrom Abay, Hala Abushama, Oliver Kirui, Halefom Nigus, Khalid Siddig. *International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)*, November 2025.
- “Nutrition-Sensitive Food Distribution Amidst Inflationary Shock: Evidence from a Randomized Intervention in Egypt,” with Kibrom Abay, Sikandra Kurdi, Dalia El-Sabbagh, Mohamed El-Karamany, *Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)*, December 2023.
- “Evaluating cereal market (dis)integration in Sudan,” with Kibrom Abay, Clemens Breisinger, and Khalid Siddig, *International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)*, January 2022.
- “Land scarcity impedes sustainable input intensification in smallholder irrigated agriculture: Evidence from Egypt,” with Kibrom Abay, Hoda El-Enbaby, and Clemens Breisinger, *Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)*, January 2021.

Reports

- “Women’s empowerment in the agricultural sector in Iraq: Challenges and opportunities to enhancing resilience,” with Kibrom Abay, Hoda El-Enbaby, Kalyani Raghunathan, Greg Seymour, Report Submitted to the World Bank, July 2023.

Policy Notes

- “Wheat Subsidies, Wheat Markets and Food Security in Sudan: Current State and Options For The Future,” with Kibrom Abay, Fatma Abdelaziz, Clemens Breisinger, Paul Dorosh, Danielle Resnick, Khalid Siddig, and Amy William, *Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)*, January 2022.
- “Land Scarcity and Input Intensification in Smallholder Irrigated Agriculture in Egypt,” with Kibrom Abay, Hoda El-Enbaby, and Clemens Breisinger, *Washington, DC: International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)*, March 2021.

Blogs

- Kindly refer to the following link on IFPRI’s website: <https://egyptssp.ifpri.info/?s=Lina+Abdelfattah>

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Presenter	“Journées Doctorales du Développement”, Pôle européen d’Economie et de Gestion, France	January 2025
Presenter	“Social protection & agriculture in Africa” Workshop, Bordeaux School of Economics, France	June 2024
Presenter	“RISE” Annual Conference, IFPRI, USA	November 2023
Presenter	“Agricultural and Applied Economics Association” Annual Meeting 2023, USA	July 2023
Presenter	“African Econometric Society (AFES)” Annual Meeting 2023, Kenya	June 2023
Presenter	“RISE” Annual Conference, IFPRI, USA	November 2022
Presenter	“Middle East Food Security”, FOODSEC, Egypt	March 2021
Panelist	“Evaluation for sustainability and change: the 8th EvalMENA Conference”, Jordan	February 2020
Panelist	“PAC Process and Food Africa”, PAC Process-MEA, Egypt	December 2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Faculty , The American University in Cairo (AUC), Econometrics Methods Practicum (400-level)	Fall 2015
Lecturer , Misr International University (MIU), Principles of Microeconomics	Fall 2013
Teaching Assistant , The American University in Cairo (AUC):	Spring 2009 – Fall 2010
• Economic Development; Labour Economics; Selected Topics in Economics; Mathematics for Economists	

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION

Africa’s populations by 2050, Bordeaux Summer School, University of Bordeaux	2024
Bayesian Econometrics and Machine Learning, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA)	2023
Project-Level Women Empowerment in Agriculture Index, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)	2022
Social and Behavioural Research, Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)	2021
Macro-econometric Forecasting using EViews, International Monetary Fund (IMF), Washington DC, USA	2018
Forecasting in Central Banks, Bank of England, London, UK	2018

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Food Policy Journal (**reviewer**); Journal of Agricultural Economics (**reviewer**); the Econometric Society (**member**); the Africa Evidence Network (**member**); the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association AAEA (**member**)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Ph.D. Ph.D. Grant (2024-2027) France 2030, French National Research Agency
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- M.Sc. Merit (the University of Bristol, 2013); International Scholarship Program (Aga Khan Foundation, 2012-2013); Student Grant Program (Arab-British Chamber Charitable Foundation, 2012-2013)
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- M.A. Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement; University Graduate Fellowship; Graduate Institutional Financial Aid (the American University in Cairo, 2011-2012)
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- B.A. Suma Cum Laude; Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement; Dean's List; Sports Achievement Scholarship; Sports Merit Scholarship; Undergraduate Academic Achievement Scholarship; Undergraduate Institutional Financial Aid (the American University in Cairo, 2008-2011)

SKILLS

Research Methods	True Experiments (RCT) Quasi-experiment (RDD, DiD, PSM, IV) Non-experimental (secondary data, big data)
Statistical Softwares	STATA (advanced), EViews, R, Matlab
Data Collection Tools	Survey CTO, CSPro, KoBo
Languages	English (fluent), French (A2), Arabic (mother tongue)

** References Furnished Upon Request **