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#### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

Toulouse School of Economics, Toulouse 1 Capitole University, France
Professor of Economics (Professeur des Universités en Sciences Economiques), 2019–
Member, Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse, 2012–
Tenure-Track Assistant Professor of Economics, 2012–2018

2017–18 Stanford University, USA
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

## OTHER ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

- 2019 Research Affiliate in Economic History, Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)
- 2012– Faculty Fellow, Association for Analytic Learning on Islam and Muslim Societies (AALIMS)
- 2014 Research Associate (2014–2017), Research Fellow (2017–), Economic Research Forum (ERF)

## **EDUCATION**

- 2006–12 Ph.D. Economics, University of Southern California, USA
  Dissertation Title: "Essays on the New Economic History of the Middle East"
  Committee: Dora Costa (UCLA) (Main Advisor), Leah Boustan (UCLA), Jeffrey Nugent (USC), Richard Easterlin (USC), and Donald Miller (USC)
- 2005-06 M.A. Economics, University of Southern California, USA
- 2003–05 Coursework of M.Sc. Economics, Department of Economics, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University, Egypt
- 1999–03 B.Sc. Economics, Excellent with Honors, Department of Economics, Faculty of Economics and Political Science, Cairo University
- National Examination Qualifying for Higher Education, Egypt Ranked Second in Egypt (among 300,000 students)

#### **RESEARCH AREAS**

Economic History, Political Economy, Development Economics, Middle East

### **PUBLICATIONS**

## **Journal Articles**

1. Saleh, M. and J. Tirole (2021). "Taxing Identity: Theory and Evidence from Early Islam." *Econometrica* 89 (4): 1881–1919.

- 2. Saleh, M. (2018). "On the Road to Heaven: Taxation, Conversions, and the Coptic-Muslim Socioe-conomic Gap in Medieval Egypt." Journal of Economic History 78 (2): 394–434.
  Awarded the Economic History Association's Arthur H. Cole Prize for the best Journal of Economic History article of the year.
- 3. Assaad, R. and M. Saleh (2018). "Does Improved Local Supply of Schooling Enhance Intergenerational Mobility in Education? Evidence from Jordan." *World Bank Economic Review* 32 (3): 633–655.
- 4. Lévêque, C. and M. Saleh (2018). "Does Industrialization Affect Segregation? Evidence from Nineteenth Century Cairo." *Explorations in Economic History* 67: 40–61.
- 5. Saleh, M. (2017). "A New Economic History of the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Region." *Economics of Transition* 25 (2): 149–163.
- 6. Saleh, M. (2016). "Public Mass Modern Education, Religion, and Human Capital in Twentieth-Century Egypt." *Journal of Economic History* 76 (3): 697–735.
- 7. Saleh, M. (2015). "The Reluctant Transformation: State Industrialization, Religion, and Human Capital in Nineteenth-Century Egypt." *Journal of Economic History* 75 (1): 65–94.
- 8. Saleh, M. (2013). "A Pre-Colonial Population Brought to Light: Digitization of the Nineteenth-Century Egyptian Censuses." *Historical Methods: A Journal of Quantitative and Interdisciplinary History* 46 (1): 5–18.

# **Working Papers**

- I. Saleh, M. "Globalization and Labor Coercion: Evidence from Egypt during the First Globalization Era." CEPR Discussion Paper 14542.
- 2. Assaad, R., T. Ginn, and M. Saleh. "Impact of Syrian Refugees in Jordan on Education Outcomes for Jordanian Youth." *CEPR Discussion Paper 14056*.
- 3. Artunç, C. and M. Saleh. "The Demand for Extraterritoriality: Religious Minorities in Nineteenth-Century Egypt." *CEPR Discussion Paper 16431*.
- 4. Kumon, Y. and M. Saleh. "The Middle-Eastern Marriage Pattern? Malthusian Dynamics in Nineteenth-Century Egypt." *CEPR Discussion Paper 16538*.
- 5. Artunç, C. and M. Saleh. "Political Connections and Corporate Performance in Egypt, 1890–1952."
- 6. Hartnett, A. S. and M. Saleh. "Intra-Elite Conflict and the Demand for Power-Sharing: Evidence from Khedival Egypt."

## **Chapters in Edited Volumes**

- 1. Saleh, M. (2021). "The Middle East: Decline and Resurgence in West Asia." In *The Cambridge Economic History of the Modern World (Volume II: 1870-2010)*. Edited by Stephen Broadberry and Kyoji Fukao. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
- 2. Saleh, M. (2021). "Islam and Economic Development: The Case of Non-Muslim Minorities in the Middle East and North Africa." In *The Oxford Handbook of Politics in Muslim Societies*. Edited by Melanie Cammett and Pauline Jones. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

- 3. Saleh, M. (2019). "Socioeconomic Inequality across Religious Groups: Self-Selection or Religion-Induced Human Capital Accumulation? The Case of Egypt." In *Advances in the Economics of Religion*. Edited by Jean-Paul Carvalho, Sriya Iyer, and Jared Rubin. London: Palgrave Macmillan.
- 4. Saleh, M. "Occupational Structure in Egypt in 1848–2006." In *Occupational Structure and Industrialization in a Comparative Perspective*. Edited by Osamu Saito and Leigh Shaw-Taylor. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Manuscript is Under Review.
- 5. Saleh, M. and S. Wahby. "The Trans-Saharan Slave Trade in the Nineteenth Century." In *The Shifting Patterns of Migration in Africa*. Edited by Ewout Frankema and Michiel de Haas. Manuscript is Under Review.

#### **Book Reviews**

- 1. Saleh, M. (2019). "Review of *Islam Instrumentalized: Religion and Politics in Historical Perspective* by Jean-Philippe Platteau." *Journal of Economic History* 79 (3): 906–7.
- 2. Saleh, M. (2019). "Review of Rural Economy and Tribal Society in Islamic Egypt: A Study of al-Nabulusi's Villages of the Fayyum by Yossef Rapoport." EH.net, Economic History Association.
- 3. Saleh, M. (2017). "Review of *State and Entrepreneurs in Egypt: Economic Development since 1805* by Naiem A. Sherbiny and Omaima M. Hatem." *Economic History Review* 70 (2): 685--6.
- 4. Saleh, M. (2012). "Review of *The Large Landowning Class and the Peasantry in Egypt, 1837-1952* by R. Abbas and A. El-Dessouky." *Journal of Economic History* 72 (3): 854–6.

#### **Op-eds and Commentaries**

- 1. Saleh, M. (2021). "Socioeconomic Inequality across Religious Groups in Egypt." *The Forum Policy Portal*, Economic Research Forum, Egypt.
- 2. Saleh, M. (2021). "Identity Taxation." Broadstreet Blog.
- 3. Saleh, M. (2019). "How Fair is Egypt's Education System?" *Alternative Policy Solutions*, American University in Cairo, Egypt.
- 4. Saleh, M. (2018). "Was Public Free Mass Education Detrimental to Egypt's Human Capital?" *The Forum Policy Portal*, Economic Research Forum, Egypt.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, AND GRANTS

- Data Collection Grant (65,000 USD) for "Digitizing Individual-Level Samples of the Egyptian Population Censuses in 1848 and 1868," IPUMS-International, Minnesota Population Center, University of Minnesota.
- IAST Multidisciplinary Prize (40,000 Euros) for "Parliamentary Elites in Autocracies and their (Lack of) Support for Democracy: The Case of Egypt" (with Carlos Velasco Rivera), Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse.
- Arthur H. Cole Prize for the best *Journal of Economic History* article of the year for "On the Road to Heaven: Taxation, Conversions, and the Coptic-Muslim Socioeconomic Gap in Medieval Egypt," Economic History Association.
- 2017–18 Stanford Visiting Fellowship, Stanford Center for International Development, France Stanford Center for Interdisciplinary Studies, Abbasi Program in Islamic Studies, European Union Horizon 2020 Research and Innovation Staff Exchange Program.

- TSEconomist Best Teacher Award at the Master 2 Level, Toulouse School of Economics.
- 2011–12 PhD Completion Award, Phi Beta Kappa, University of Southern California.
- Ibn Khaldun Prize for the Best Article of the Year on the Middle East and North Africa, Middle East Economic Association.
- 2010–11 Advanced Doctoral Research Award, Center for Religion and Civic Culture, University of Southern California.
- 2010 Gold Family Graduate Fellowship, University of Southern California.
- 2010–11 Sokoloff Dissertation Fellowship, Economic History Association.
- Best PhD Third Year Paper Award, Department of Economics, University of Southern California.
- 2009 International Field Research Award, University of Southern California.
- 2009 Exploratory Travel and Data Grant, Economic History Association.
- 2006–12 College Graduate Merit Award, University of Southern California.
- 2005–06 Fulbright Scholarship, Fulbright Commission in Egypt.

#### **SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES**

### Invited Talks (Department of Economics Unless Else Noted)

- New Economic School in Moscow (scheduled).
- Yale University, Northwestern University, University of Frankfurt (scheduled), University of British Columbia (scheduled), Middlebury College (scheduled).
- London School of Economics (Department of Economic History), University of Warwick, University of Frankfurt (postponed), Middlebury College (postponed), European Macro Economic History Webinar, Paris Nanterre University, Bocconi University.
- Bonn University, University of Oxford, University of Minnesota (Minnesota Population Center), British University in Egypt and Cairo University, Humboldt-Berlin University, University of Groningen, National Institute for Demographic Studies in France (INED).
- Paris School of Economics, Stanford University, University of California Irvine, University of California Davis, Santa Clara University, Aix-Marseille School of Economics, Harvard Business School, School for Advanced Studies in the Social Sciences (EHESS) (Seminar on Islam and Capitalism).
- University of Barcelona, University of Rennes I, University of California Los Angeles, University of California Berkeley, Harvard University (Center for Middle Eastern Studies and Center for European Studies).
- 2016 University of Arizona, University of California Los Angeles (Economic History Proseminar).
- Yale University, University of Carlos III Madrid, Paris School of Economics, University of Bonn.
- London School of Economics (Department of Economic History), University of Cambridge (Department of History), University of Namur.
- Stanford University, Northwestern University, University of California Los Angeles (Economic History Proseminar), University of Oxford, London School of Economics, Stockholm School

of Economics.

Toulouse School of Economics, Paris School of Economics, University of Southern Denmark, University of Warwick, University of Leicester, Georgetown University (School of Public Policy), University of California Davis, University of California Irvine, Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse, University of Oxford (Centre for Islamic Studies).

#### **Conference Talks**

- 2022 American Economic Association Meeting (scheduled).
- The Economic History Review Workshop on The Middle East and North Africa (Panelist), Economic History Society (EHS) 2021 Meeting, AALIMS-MIT 2021 Conference on the Political Economy of the Muslim World, 8th IAST/TSE Conference in Political Science and Political Economy: Inequality, Migration, and Organized Interests (Discussant), CEPR Economic History Symposium, IAST-Sciences Po Conference in Political Science and Political Economy, Agen Meeting in Economic History, Pan-African Scientific Research Council Multidisciplinary Webinar (Panelist).
- European Social Science History Conference 2020 (canceled), CEPR Economic History Symposium (postponed), Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE) 2020 Meeting, Economic History Association (EHA) 2020 Meeting, Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture (ASREC) 2020 Meeting.
- Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture (ASREC) 2019 Meeting, Economic History Society (EHS) 2019 Meeting, Toulouse Economics and Biology Conference, Barcelona GSE Summer Forum Political Institutions Workshop (Discussant), Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE) 2019 Meeting, African Economic History Network (AEHN) Meeting, Social Science History Association (SSHA) 2019 Meeting, Harvard University Conference on "The Oxford Handbook of Politics in Muslim Societies," University of Frankfurt Workshop on "The Determinants of Careers for Women and Men: Institutions, Professions, Organizations and Households" (Discussant).
- American Economic Association 2018 Meeting (Econometric Society Session), Caltech "Early Modern Group" Meeting, University of California Irvine Conference on "Identity, Cooperation, and Conflict," AALIMS-Princeton 2018 Conference on the Political Economy of Muslim Societies, NBER 2018 Summer Institute (Income Distribution and Macroeconomics Program), NBER 2018 Summer Institute (Development of the American Economy Program), University of California Los Angeles Conference on Coptic Studies, Northwestern University Conference on the Economic History of Religion.
- Economic Research Forum (ERF) 2017 Conference, EHESS-Toulouse Conference on Networks and Exchanges, IAST-Sciences Po Conference on Political Economy, Africa 2017 Meeting of the Econometric Society, University of Oxford Conference on "The Cambridge Economic History of the Modern World," University of Cambridge Conference on the Economics of Religion.
- American Economic Association 2016 Meeting (AEA Session), New York University Abu Dhabi CAGE-CEPR Conference on Economic History, AALIMS- Stanford 2016 Conference on the Political Economy of Islam and Muslim Societies, EHESS-Toulouse Conference on Networks and Exchanges, CEPR-EBRD-Economics of Transition Symposium on the Economics of the Middle East and North Africa, CIFAR Institutions, Organizations and Growth Program Meeting, University of Warwick Conference on Economic History.
- Caltech and All-UC Group in Economic History Meeting, Economic History Society 2015 Meeting, Queen's University Belfast Conference on Historical Economics and the Economics

- of Religion, Economic Research Forum (ERF) Scientific Committee Meeting, World Economic History 2015 Congress, Economic History Association (EHA) 2015 Meeting, Yale University Conference on the Political Economy of Social Conflict, New Economic School Conference on Economic History.
- 2014 Utrecht University Workshop on Historical Social Mobility in a Global Perspective, Toulouse School of Economics TIGER Forum, Middle East Studies Association (MESA) 2014 Meeting.
- American Economic Association 2013 Meeting (AEA Session), AALIMS-Rice 2013 Conference on the Political Economy of the Muslim World, Social Science History Association (SSHA) 2013 Meeting.
- Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture (ASREC) 2012 Meeting (Chapman University), AALIMS-Stanford 2012 Conference on the Economic and Political Development of the Muslim World, UCLA Anderson and All-UC Group in Economic History Meeting, Asian Economic History 2012 Congress.
- Middle East Economic Association (MESA) 2011 Meeting, Population Association of America (PAA) 2011 Meeting (Poster Session), Cliometric Society 2011 Meeting, Western Economic Association International (WEAI) 2011 Meeting, NBER 2011 Summer Institute (Development of the American Economy Program) (Poster Session), University of California Los Angeles Conference on Coptic Studies, Economic History Association (EHA) 2011 Meeting, Berkeley and All-UC Economic History Laboratory (Graduate Student Workshop).
- American Economic Association 2010 Meeting (Middle East Economic Association Session), International Commission for Historical Demography Conference, Middle East Studies Association (MESA) 2010 Meeting.
- Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PACDEV) 2009 Meeting, Economic History Association (EHA) 2009 Meeting (Poster Session).
- 2008 Economic Research Forum (ERF) 2008 Conference.

#### **Public Lectures**

- 2019 TSEconomist, Toulouse School of Economics.
- Abbasi Program in Islamic Studies, Stanford University.
- Egyptian Central Agency for Public Mobilization and Statistics (CAPMAS).
- National Archives of Egypt.

#### **Conference Organization**

- Big Data in Economic History (with Victor Gay). Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse. Scheduled in May 2021. Postponed since May 2020.
- 2021 Economic History of Developing Regions Virtual Seminar (co-organizer).
- Risk, Disaster, and Crisis in a Historical Perspective (with Nicholas Crawford, Victor Gay, Gabriel Mesevage, and Sreemati Mitter). Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse.
- Explaining Institutional Change in History (with Peter Turchin). Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse.
- Economic History and Trade (with Thomas Chaney and Christian Hellwig). Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse.
- 2014 Climbing the Social Ladder: Social and Geographic Mobility over Time. Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse.

#### **TEACHING**

# **Courses Taught at Toulouse School of Economics**

- Historical Perspectives on Development (Master 2 in Public Policy and Development). Development: Theory, Public Policy, and Historical Perspectives (Master 2 in Economic Theory and Econometrics PhD First Year). Natural Experiments in History (DEEQA PhD Second Year). Toulouse Summer School in Quantitative Social Sciences (PhD). Applied Econometrics (Master 1).
- 2020–21 Historical Perspectives on Development (Master 2 in Public Policy and Development). Development: Theory, Public Policy, and Historical Perspectives (Master 2 in Economic Theory and Econometrics PhD First Year). Natural Experiments in History (DEEQA PhD Second Year). Toulouse Summer School in Quantitative Social Sciences (PhD).
- 2019–20 Historical Perspectives on Development (Master 2 in Public Policy and Development). Advanced Public Policy and Applied Economics II: Economic History (DEEQA PhD Second Year). Economic History (DEEQA PhD Second Year).
- 2018–19 Economic History (DEEQA PhD Second Year). PhD Student Seminar (PhD Fourth Year). Historical Perspectives on Development (Master 2 in Public Policy and Development). Advanced Public Policy and Applied Economics II: Economic History (DEEQA PhD Second Year).
- 2016–17 Historical Perspectives on Development (Master 2 in Public Policy and Development). Applied Econometrics (Master 1).
- 2015–16 Historical Perspectives on Development (Master 2 in Public Policy and Development).
- Individuals and Households in Developing Countries (Master 2 in Public Policy and Development, DEEQA PhD Second Year). Applied Econometrics (Master 1).
- 2013–14 Master I Research Thesis (Master 1).
- 2012–13 Topics in Economics: World Economic History (Licence 2).

## MA and PhD Student Supervision at Toulouse School of Economics

- PhD Jeffrey Groesbeck (co-chair with Stéphane Straub), Sébastien Montpetit (co-chair with François Poinas), Federica Lo Polito, Yifan Zhang (co-chair with Victor Gay), Peter Neis (committee member), Fernando Stipanicic Márquez (committee member), Eva Tène (committee member).
- Master 2 Apurav Yash Bhatiya, Mennatallah El-Ayadi, Ola El-Toukhi, Selma Kadiri, Cyril Thomson, Xinyan Lao, Farah El-Masry, Amélie Allegre, Augusto Mendoza, Mariya Sakharova.
- Master I Guohui Jiang, Heo Inhoi, Roxana Pozo, Benjamin Prisse.

# **Predoctoral Teaching Assistantships**

- 2006–12 University of Southern California: Economic History and Development (MA). Economic Development of the Middle East (Undergraduate). Economics of Happiness (Undergraduate). Introduction to Econometrics (Undergraduate). Principles of Microeconomics (Undergraduate). Principles of Macroeconomics (Undergraduate).
- 2003–05 Cairo University: Introductory Econometrics (Undergraduate). International Finance (Undergraduate). Intermediate Macroeconomics (Undergraduate). Applied Econometrics (MA).

#### **Predoctoral Research Assistantships**

2011–12 Richard A. Easterlin, Department of Economics, University of Southern California.

- Gary Painter, School of Policy, Planning, and Development (SPPD), University of Southern California.
- 2006–08 Jeffrey B. Nugent, Department of Economics, University of Southern California.
- 2004–05 World Bank Project of Assessing Investment Climate, Cairo, Egypt.
- 2004 Cairo Economics and Finance Research Center, Cairo, Egypt.

## **SERVICE**

#### **Academic Journal Editorial Boards**

- 2019 Member of the Editorial Board, *Journal of Economic History*
- 2021– Member of the Editorial Board, European Review of Economic History
- 2019 Member of the Editorial Board, Economic History of Developing Regions
- 2021– Member of the Editorial Board, *History of the Family*
- 2020 Associate Editor, Economics of Transition and Institutional Change

#### **Academic Journal Peer Review**

Cliometrica, Economics and Human Biology, Economic History of Developing Regions, Economic History Review, Economics of Transition, European Economic Review, European Review of Economic History, Explorations in Economic History, History Compass, Journal of Demographic Economics, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Law, Economics and Organization, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Social Choice and Welfare, World Development

# **Academic Press Peer Review**

Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Palgrave Macmillan

## **Funding Agency Peer Review**

Agence Nationale de la Recherche (ANR), European Research Council (ERC).

# **Service to Department**

Director of the Master 2 Program in Public Policy and Development, Toulouse School of Economics, 2019–21

Member of Recruitment Committee, Toulouse School of Economics, 2019–

Member of Recruitment Committee, Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse, 2018–19, 2020–

Chair of the Search Committee for an Open-Rank Position in Political Science, Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse, 2020–21

Program Director in History, Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse, 2012–18

Co-organizer of the TSE Development Economics Seminar, Toulouse School of Economics, 2014–17

Co-organizer of the Toulouse History Seminar (IAST, UT2, Science Po Toulouse, IAE), 2013–17

# **MEMBERSHIPS**

American Economic Association, Econometric Society, Economic History Association, Economic History Society, Middle East Studies Association, French Association of Economic History, French Association of Cliometrics

# **LANGUAGES**

Arabic: Native English: Fluent

French: Upper Intermediate (B2)

# PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of Birth: April 1, 1982

Place of Birth: Alexandria, Egypt

Nationality: Egyptian, French