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### EDUCATION

- **Ph.D., Business Strategy**, Emphasis: **International Economics and Development** (*with High Distinction*, GPA: 3.92/4.0), Southern University, LA, USA, 2000
- **Certificate, Macro-economy Management for Developing Countries**, Chinese Ministry of Commerce, Beijing, People's Republic of China, 2007
- **M.B.A., Finance** (*Academic Excellence Award*, GPA: 4.0/4.0), University of New Orleans, LA, USA, 1997
- **B.S., Business Administration**, Major: Management and Economics, Notre Dame University, Lebanon, 1991

### SPECIALTIES

Business Policy and Strategy  
International Finance and Trade  
Economics of the Middle East

Business & Economic Development  
Business in Developing Countries  
Change Management

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Dean and Full Professor**, Faculty of Business Administration and Finance, *Sagesse University*, Lebanon, 2009 to present
- **Director of Graduate Programs and Associate Professor**, Faculty of Business Administration and Economics, *Notre Dame University*, Lebanon, 2006-09 (on sabbatical leave from October 2009 to 2011)  
Formulating a new strategic plan for the graduate business and executive joint programs (MBA, Executive MBA and MIB)  
Building strategic alliances and outreach programs with the private sector  
Revamping the academic, research, and internship programs to meet market requirements  
Teaching MBA, Executive MBA and MIB courses
- **Graduate Professorship Positions**
  - Visiting Professor, Bordeaux Ecole de Management (BEM)—a member of the Grandes Ecoles network, France, 2009 to present
  - Professeur (*By Invitation*), DEA/Master's Program, Faculty of Economic Sciences, *Université Saint Joseph (USJ)*, Lebanon, 2003 to present
  - Visiting Professor (*By Invitation*), MBA Program, *Université Saint Esprit-Kaslik (USEK)*, Lebanon, 2004 to present
  - Associate Professor, Graduate Programs, *Notre Dame University (NDU)*, Lebanon, 2006 to present

- Visiting Professor, Ph.D. Program, *Southern University*, USA, 2004 to present
- Assistant Professor, *Lebanese American University (LAU)*, Lebanon, 2004-06
- Visiting Associate Professor, *American University of Technology*, (a one-year appointment during my sabbatical leave from the United States), 2003-04
- Assistant Professor, *Wartburg College*, USA, 2000-03
- Visiting Assistant Professor, *University of Phoenix*, USA, 2000-01
- **Board Member and General Consultant**, Acecraft s.a.l., sole agents of Ace Hardware Corporation—the renowned U.S. and international retail chain, Lebanon, 2006-09
- **Senior Executive Trainer** to a number of holdings and regional banks, such as *National Commercial Bank / Al-Ahli Bank* (Saudi Arabia), *Bank of Beirut*, *Crédit Libanais*, *First National Bank*, *BEMO Bank*, *Ace Hardware* (Lebanon), home appliances and tires businesses (retail and wholesale), etc., Lebanon and the Middle East, 2003 to present
- **Vice President for Strategic Planning, External Relations and Development**, joint program between the *American University of Technology* and the *State University of New York* (a one year joint appointment during my sabbatical leave from the United States), Lebanon/USA, 2003-04  
Crafted a strategic plan for the University; established a Placement Office; formulated a development program; supervised the Offices of Development, Media and Public Relations, and External Programs; and launched the University’s Alumni
- **Dean of the School of Business**, joint program between the *American University of Technology* and the *State University of New York* (a one year joint appointment during my sabbatical leave from the United States), Lebanon/USA, 2003-04
- **Director of Marketing**, *Adidas Sporthaus International*, Lebanon (France and Turkey), 1992-94  
Coordinated marketing strategies for Adidas-Lebanon in France, Turkey, and Lebanon  
Increased profitability by 22 percent  
Developed, implemented, and tracked sales building concepts  
Handled all marketing and information activities for Adidas  
Supervised 55 associates in a 200-employee organization
- **Sales and Marketing Manager**, *Agip Oil*, Lebanon, 1990-92  
Led the “Agip” lubricant and the OEM divisions  
Managed all strategic and operational procedures of the oil retail and wholesale (bulk) markets  
Coached the sales force on technical issues and marketing tactics  
Expanded domestic market share by 30 percent  
Supervised fieldwork inspection and customer contacts (LNG, gasoline and oil)

- **Planning Coordinator**, *AZ Philips Consumer Electronics*, Lebanon, 1989-90  
Ordered goods and opened letters of credit  
Analyzed statistical data for planning and forecasting orders  
Communicated with banks and followed up on orders

## CONSULTANCY

- Consultant, **The World Bank**, Region: Middle East and North Africa (MENA), October 2000 to present
- Consultant, **The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development** (UNCTAD), February 2001 to present
- Consultant, **Saudi ARAMCO**, Saudi Arabia, 2006 to present
- **Management Consultant** to a number of major manufacturing, retail, and wholesale businesses including furniture, clothing, food and beverage, and home appliances. Examples include multinationals (e.g., *Abita Breweries; Future Pyramid Investments; K.T. Women's Care; First National Bank of Waverly; Waverly's Office of Economic Development; Byblos F&B Group; S. Williamson's Developers*) and regional businesses (e.g., *Khoury Home s.a.l.*—the largest home appliances retail chain in the Middle East, *Linkers s.a.l.* and *Heald Trading Group*—major sole agents and exclusive distributors of several international brands such as Dunlop tires, Hoover, Maytag, Daewoo, Norge, La Germania, Mitsuco, etc.)

**COMPUTER SKILLS**      E-Views, SPSS, SAS, EasyReg, ECSTAT, MS Access, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint, MS Word, MS Works, Lotus 123, WordPerfect, and DOS. Well-versed in Internet environment

**LANGUAGES**              Fluent in **English, French, and Arabic**

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Vice President (elected for 4 consecutive terms), Public Relations, *Academy of International Business*, USA, Southwest Chapter, 2002-10
- Vice President MENA Countries, *Academy for Global Business Advancement*, USA, 2008 to present
- Research Associate, *Economic Research Forum* (the Arab countries, Iran and Turkey), February 2007 to present
- Member, *Southwest Academy of Management, Academy of International Business, Association of Iowa Economists, Academy for Global Business Advancement, and International Society for Quality of Life Studies*, USA
- Editorial Board Member, *Journal of International Business and Entrepreneurship Development, Journal for Global Business Advancement* (Inderscience, Switzerland and USA), *Global Finance and Economics Journal* (Serials, India and USA), and *Open Research Journal* (USA and International)

## AWARDS AND ACADEMIC HONORS

1. **Best Business Researcher in the Middle East Award**, unanimously selected by the Board of Trustees of the Academy for Global Business Advancement (AGBA) and the Asian Academy of Management (AAM), USA, Joint World Congress, Penang, Malaysia, May 21-25, 2007.
2. **Best Paper Award**, European Applied Business Research Conference, Santorini, Greece, June 2005.
3. Nominated for the **Outstanding Educator of the Year Award**, Academy of International Business, Southwest Chapter, USA, 2005.
4. Nominated for the **Best Educator of the Year Award**, Southwestern Society of Economists, USA, 2004.
5. Nominated for the **Adviser of the Year Award**, Wartburg College Student Senate, 2002-2003.
6. Elected as **Research Associate/Fellow** at the Economic Research Forum (the renowned international think tank), Cairo, Egypt, February 2007 to present.
3. **Released Time Award for Scholarship**, Wartburg College, winter 2003.
4. **Best Paper Award**, “*The Direction of Investment and Economic Growth in Developing Economies*,” International Business and Economics Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, November 2002.
5. **Best Paper Award**, “*Bilateral Trade and Islamic Sects*,” International Business and Economics Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2001.
6. **Award/Grant to Support Scholarship**, Wartburg College, summer 2002.
7. Nominated by the Graduate Council of Southern University for the 2001 **National Distinguished Dissertation Award** (each member institution may nominate only one candidate for this award) organized by the Council of Graduate Schools, Washington, D.C., 2001.
8. Passed Comprehensive Examination **With Distinction** (the only candidate), 2000.
9. Ph.D. student with the **Best Overall Grade Point Average**, Doctoral Program, Southern University, 2000.
10. **Student of the Year**, Doctoral Program, Southern University, 1999 and 2000.
11. **Golden Key National Honor Society**, 1999.
12. **The National Dean’s List**, 1998.
13. **Beta Gamma Sigma** Honorary Business Society, 1998.
14. **Sigma Iota Epsilon** Honorary Management Fraternity, 1998.
15. **Academic Excellence Award**, University of New Orleans, Louisiana, 1997.
16. **Financial Management Association International** Honor Society, 1996.

## PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

### Books

1. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2007. Growth and Stability: How to Increase Peoples’ Wealth? (Notre Dame University Press: Zouk Mosbeh)
2. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2004. Finance, Trade and Development in the Middle East: A Collection of Essays (Middle East Law Journal: Beirut).

3. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and M. Kabir Hassan. 2003. On Openness, Integration and Economic Growth (Chowkosh Publishers: Dhaka).

*Forthcoming*

4. Business and Economic Strategies for Emerging Markets: A Collection of Essays.
5. Selected Writings on U.S. Financial and Economic Policies.

**Refereed Journal Articles**

1. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and Youssef Yazbeck. 2010. "Governance and Economic Development in MENA Countries: Does Oil Affect the Presence of a Virtuous Circle?" *Journal of Transnational Management*, vol. 15, no. 2.
2. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and Youssef Yazbeck. 2009. "Business Innovation, Ethics, and Prosperity: The Primacy of Microeconomics," *Journal of Business Strategies*, vol. 26, no. 2.
3. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2009. "A Strategic Matrix Model for the Apple Industry in Lebanon," *Global Business & Economics Review*, vol. 11, no. 1: pp. 65-87.
4. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2009. "Globalization versus Regionalization: And the Winner Is..." *Journal of Transnational Management*, vol. 13, no. 4: pp. 287-317.
5. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and Hannarong Shamsub. 2009. "Does Regionalism Work? A Fixed and Random Effects Model," *Journal for International Business & Entrepreneurship Development*, vol. 4, no. 1/2: pp. 22-44.
6. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2008. "Strategic Patterns in International Business: Product Differentiation or Complementarity?" *Journal of Transnational Management*, vol. 13, no. 2: pp. 112-131.
7. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and M. Kabir Hassan. 2008. "Readiness of the Gulf Monetary Union: Revisited," *Economic Research Forum Working Paper*, no. 441: pp. 1-20.
8. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2007. "Fiscal Policy and Economic Growth: What's Economics Got To Do With It?" *Global Journal of Finance & Economics*, vol. 4, no. 1 (April): pp. 13-22.
9. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2006. "Open First; then Invest," *Journal of Transnational Management*, vol. 11, no. 2: pp. 53-76.
10. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2006. "Does Democracy Really Promote Development?" *Global Business & Economics Review*, vol. 8, no. 3 / 4: pp. 328-338.

11. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and M. Kabir Hassan. 2006. "Regional Integration and Economic Development: An Empirical Investigation," *Global Review of Business & Economic Research*, vol. 2, no. 2 (December): pp. 173-188.
12. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2005. "A Gulf Monetary Union: How Close Are We Really?" *Journal of Transnational Management Development*, vol. 9, no. 4 (June): pp. 73-91.
13. Shamsub, Hannarong and **Rock-Antoine Mehanna**. 2005. "Interdependence of Fiscal Decentralization and Economic Development: A Vector Autoregression Analysis," *Global Business & Economics Review*, vol. 7, no. 2/3: pp. 262-277.
14. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and Leila Sarieddine. 2005. "Are Open Developing Economies Less Corrupt and/or Politically Freer?" *Thoughts on Economics*, vol. 15, no. 1/2 (June): pp. 7-20.
15. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2004. "Poverty and Economic Development: Not as Direct as It May Seem," *Journal of Socio-Economics*, vol. 33, no. 2: pp. 217-228.
16. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2004. "An Econometric Contribution to the U.S. Defense Spending-Growth Nexus: Evidence from Error Correction Model," *Conflict Management & Peace Science*, vol. 21, no. 2: pp. 120-133.
17. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2004. "Do Sunni Trade More than Shi'a? A Cross-Country Empirical Study," *Thoughts on Economics*, vol. 14, no. 3/4 (July-December).
18. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "Risk and Stability: A Contribution to Growth Empirics," *Global Business & Economics Review*, vol. 5, no. 2: pp. 391-410.
19. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "The Temporal Causality between Investment and Growth in Developing Economies," *Journal of Business & Economics Research*, vol. 1, no. 3: pp. 84-92.
20. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "Quality of Governance and Openness in the Middle East: Is There a Link?" *Journal of Transnational Management Development*, vol. 8, no. 1 and 2 (special issue: Doing Business in the Middle East and Asia): pp. 141-153.
21. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "International Trade, Religion, and Political Freedom: An Empirical Investigation," *Global Business & Economics Review*, vol. 5, no.2: pp. 284-296.

22. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "Do Politics and Culture Affect Middle East Trade? Evidence from the Gravity Model," *Review of Middle East Economics & Finance*, vol. 1, no. 2 (August): pp. 155-170.
23. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "Defense Spending and Economic Development in Lebanon: A Co-integration and Vector Auto-regression Analysis," *Journal of Development & Economic Policies*, vol. 6, no. 1 (December): pp. 41-60.
24. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "Corruption and Openness: The Case of the Middle East," *Journal for International Business & Entrepreneurship Development*, vol. 1, no.1: pp. 80-89.
25. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine, Leila Sarieedine, and James Llorens. 2003. "Bilateral Trade and Islamic Sects," *International Business & Economics Research Journal*, vol. 2, no. 3: pp. 45-54.
26. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "The Trade-Growth Nexus: Not as Direct as It May Seem," *Thoughts on Economics*, vol. 13, no. 1 and 2: pp. 47-63.
27. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and Hannarong Shamsub. 2002. "Who Is Benefiting the Most from NAFTA? An Intervention Time Series Analysis," *Journal of Economic Development*, vol. 27, no. 2 (December): pp. 69-80.
28. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and M. Kabir Hassan. 2002. "Is the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) a Successful Trading Bloc? A Middle Eastern Framework," *The Middle East Business & Economic Review*, vol. 14, no. 1 (July): pp. 18-28.
29. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2002. "Intra-Middle East Trade: An Empirical Assessment," *Journal of Development & Economic Policies*, vol. 5, no. 1 (December): pp. 39-62.
30. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2002. "Can the Role of Government in Growth Regressions Be Broader, Yet More Parsimonious?," *Global Economy Quarterly*, vol. 3, no. 1 (December): pp. 51-71.
31. Hassan, M. Kabir, **Rock-Antoine Mehanna**, and Syed Abul Basher. 2002. "Regional Cooperation in Trade, Finance and Investment among SAARC Countries: The Bangladesh Perspective," *Thoughts on Economics*, vol. 12, no. 2: pp. 7-32.

### **Published Proceedings**

32. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and Youssef Yazbeck. 2008. "Do Business Strategies and Ethics Pay-off? The Case of the Arab Countries" *Southwest Academy of Management Proceedings*, vol. 50 (March): 908-928.

33. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "The Efficiency of Strategic Operations in the Lebanese Banking Sector," *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 18, no. 1 (March).
34. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2007. "Regionalization vs. Globalization: An Empirical Macro Analysis" *Academy for Global Business Advancement Proceedings*, vol. 4, no. 1 (May).
35. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and Youssef Yazbeck. 2007. "A Causal Analysis of Governance and Economic Development: Is there a Sustainable Virtuous Circle in the MENA Region?" *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 17, no. 1 (March).
36. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2006. "Crafting a Competitive Business Strategy for the Apple Industry: The Case of Lebanon," *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 16, no. 1 (March).
37. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2006. "Bilateral Business Strategies: *HOS* or *Linder*?" *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 16, no. 1 (March).
38. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2005. "Examining Wagner's Law: A Co-integration Analysis," *Global Business & Economics Anthology*: pp. 33-42.
39. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2005. "Open First; then Invest," *European Applied Business Research Proceedings*, vol. 7, no. 2: 149-170.
40. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2005. "International Business Patterns in Islamic Countries," *Doing Business in Islamic Asia Proceedings*, June 21-23.
41. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2004. "Business Policies and Trade: A Look into Porter's Diamond," *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 15, no. 1 (March): pp. 145-155.
42. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2004. "Democracy or Stability: What Does Really Matter for Developing Economies?," *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 15, no. 1 (March): pp. 123-130.
43. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and Hannarong Shamsub. 2004. "A Panel Study of Regional Blocs, 1990-99", *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 15, no. 1 (March): 313.
44. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine, Matthew Stoffel and Ivan Dvojakovski. 2003. "International Business Strategies and Factor Endowments: An Empirical Investigation," *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 14, no. 1 (March): p. 225.

45. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "Fiscal Policy and Economic Growth: A Vector Autoregressive Model," *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 14, no. 1 (March): p. 253.
46. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "Corruption, Political Freedom, and Openness: The Case of the Middle East," *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 14, no. 1 (March): pp. 70-78.
47. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2003. "Optimum Currency Areas: The Case of the Gulf Cooperation Council," *Southwest Review of International Business Research*, vol. 14, no. 1 (March): pp. 215-224.
48. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2002. "Is It Corruption and/or Political Freedom? Low Imports in Developing Economies," *International Business & Economic Research Proceedings*, vol. 4, no. 3 (October): pp. 9-17.
49. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2002. "The Direction of Investment and Economic Growth in Developing Economies," *International Business & Economic Research Proceedings*, vol. 4, no. 3 (October): pp. 31-38.
50. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2002. "Bilateral Trade and Islam," *International Business & Economic Research Proceedings*, vol. 4, no. 3 (October): pp. 49-60.
51. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2001. "The North American Free Trade Agreement: An Intervention Function Model," *International Society for Quality-of-Life Studies*, vol. 4 (December): pp. 11-25.
52. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2001. "A Quantitative Analysis of Middle East Trade," *Eighth Cross-Cultural Research Proceedings*, (December): pp. 71-83.
53. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine and M. Kabir Hassan. 2001. "Is the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) a Successful Trading Bloc? A Middle Eastern Framework," *International Business Southeast Proceedings*, (November): pp. 46-57.
54. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. 2001. "Risk and Stability: A New Growth Model," *International Business & Economic Research Proceedings*, vol. 3, no. 3 (October): pp. 32-45.

#### *Work in Progress*

- "Strategy and Efficiency of Lebanese Banks: A Non-Parametric Data Envelopment Analysis" (with Ghinwa Chlouk and Hassan Hamadi)

#### **Conference Papers**

1. “Do Business Strategies and Ethics Pay-off? The Case of the Arab Countries” paper presented at the Southwest Academy of Management Annual Meetings, Houston, Texas, USA, March 3-9, 2008.
2. “The Efficiency of Strategic Operations in the Lebanese Banking Sector,” paper presented at the Academy of International Business SW Annual Meetings, Houston, Texas, USA, March 3-9, 2008.
3. “Globalization vs. Regionalization: An Empirical Macro Analysis,” paper presented at the Academy for Global Business Advancement and the Asian Academy of Management Joint Conference, Penang, Malaysia, May 21-25, 2007.
4. “A Causal Analysis of Governance and Economic Development: Is there a Sustainable Virtuous Circle in the MENA Region?” paper presented at the Federation of Business Disciplines and the Academy of International Business SW Annual Meetings, San Diego, California, USA, March 12-16, 2007.
5. “Crafting a Competitive Business Strategy for the Apple Industry: The Case of Lebanon,” paper presented at the Federation of Business Disciplines and the Academy of International Business SW Annual Meetings, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, USA, March 1-4, 2006.
6. “Regionalism, Trade, and Development,” paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Business and Economics Society International, Florence, Italy, July 15-19, 2006.
7. “Bilateral Business Strategies: *HOS* or *Linder*?” paper presented at the Federation of Business Disciplines and the Academy of International Business SW Annual Meetings, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, USA, March 1-4, 2006.
8. “Regional Business Patterns in Islamic Countries,” paper presented at the International Conference *Doing Business in Islamic Asia*, organized jointly by the Universiti Kabansagaan Malaysia (National University of Malaysia) and the University of Hawaii at Manoa, USA in conjunction with the Annual Meetings of the Organization of Islamic Countries and the Islamic Development Bank, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, June 2005.
9. “Open First; then Invest,” paper presented at the European Applied Business Research Conference, Santorini, Greece, June 2005. ***Recipient of the Best Paper Award.***
10. “Fiscal Policy and Economic Growth: What’s Economics Got to Do with It?,” paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Business and Economics Society International, Arizona, USA, July 2005.

11. "The Impact of Regional Blocs: A Fixed and Random Effects Model," paper presented at the 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on the Economics and Finance of the Middle East and North Africa, Lebanese American University, Byblos, Lebanon, May 2005.
12. "The Apple Industry in Lebanon: Crafting a Competitive Business Strategy," paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter (Federation of Business Disciplines), Dallas, Texas, USA, March 2005.
13. "Business Policies and Trade: A Look into Porter's Diamond Model," paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter (Federation of Business Disciplines), Orlando, Florida, USA, March 2004.
14. "Democracy or Stability: What Does Really Matter?," paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter (Federation of Business Disciplines), Orlando, Florida, USA, March 2004.
15. "A Panel Study of Regional Blocs, 1990-99" (with Hannarong Shamsub), paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter (Federation of Business Disciplines), Orlando, Florida, USA, March 2004.
16. "Poverty and Economic Development: A Vector Autoregressive Model," paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Southwestern Society of Economists (Federation of Business Disciplines), Houston, Texas, USA, March 2003.
17. "Quality of Governance and Openness in the Middle East: Is There a Link?," paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter (Federation of Business Disciplines), Houston, Texas, USA, March 2003.
18. "International Business Strategies and Factor Endowments: An Empirical Investigation" (with M. Stoffel and I. Dvojakovski), paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter (Federation of Business Disciplines), Houston, Texas, USA, March 2003.
19. "Is Government Spending Good or Bad?," paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter (Federation of Business Disciplines), Houston, Texas, USA, March 2003.
20. "A Gulf Currency Union: How Close Are We Really?," paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter (Federation of Business Disciplines), Houston, Texas, March 2003.

21. "International Trade, Religion, and Political Freedom: An Empirical Investigation," paper presented at the Christianity and Economics Second National Research Conference, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, November 2002.
22. "Is It Corruption or Political Freedom? Low Imports in Developing Economies," paper presented at the International Business and Economics Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2002.
23. "The Direction of Investment and Economic Growth in Developing Economies," paper presented at the International Business and Economics Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2002. ***Recipient of the Best Paper Award.***
24. "Defense Spending and Economic Development in Lebanon: A Cointegration and Vector Autoregression Analysis," paper presented at the Fourth International Conference on the Economics and Finance of the Middle East and North Africa, Byblos, Lebanon, May 2002.
25. "Do Politics and Culture Affect Middle East Trade? Evidence from Gravity Model," paper presented at the Fourth International Conference on the Economics and Finance of the Middle East and North Africa, Byblos, Lebanon, May 2002.
26. "Can Trade Openness Replace the Traditional Role of Investment? An Empirical Investigation" (with M. Kabir Hassan), paper presented at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines, St. Louis, Missouri.
27. "Regional Integration and Economic Development: An Empirical Investigation" (with M. Kabir Hassan), paper presented at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines, St. Louis, Missouri, USA.
28. "Who Is Benefiting the Most from NAFTA? An Intervention Time Series Analysis," paper presented at the Fourth Conference of the International Society for Quality of Life Studies, Washington, DC, USA, December 2001.
29. "Bilateral Trade and Islamic Sects," paper presented at the International Business and Economics Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2001. ***Recipient of the Best Paper Award.***
30. "Risk and Stability: A Contribution to Growth Empirics," paper presented at the 2001 International Business and Economic Research Conference, Reno, Nevada, USA, October 2001.
31. "Is the Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) a Successful Trading Bloc? A Middle Eastern Framework" (with M. Kabir Hassan), paper presented at the 2001 Annual

- Meeting of the Academy of International Business (Southeast chapter), New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, March 2001.
32. "A Quantitative Analysis of Middle East Trade," paper presented at the 8<sup>th</sup> Cross-Cultural Research Conference, Oahu, Hawaii, USA, December 2001.
  33. "Can the Role of Government in Growth Regressions Be Broader, Yet More Parsimonious?," paper presented at the 2001 Annual Meeting of the Economic Science Association and the Public Choice Society, San Antonio, Texas, USA.
  34. "NAFTA: A Comparative Analysis of the Economic Outcomes between US-Canada and US-Mexico," (with Leila Sarriddine), paper presented at the 1999 Annual Meeting of the Economic Science Association and the Public Choice Society, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
  35. "The Power of Oil and the Economic Future of the Middle East: A Time Series Analysis," paper presented at the 1999 Annual Conference of the Louisiana Public Financial Management and Budgeting Association, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, USA.

### **Journal Editorial Board**

- *Journal of International Business and Entrepreneurship Development*, published by Inderscience (Switzerland and USA), 2006 to present
- *Global Journal of Finance and Economics*, published by Serials Publications (USA and India), 2003 to present
- *Global Business and Economics Review*, published by Inderscience (Switzerland and USA), 2005-08
- *Journal for Global Business Advancement*, published by Inderscience (Switzerland and USA), 2008 to present
- *Open Research Journal*, (USA), published by the Open Research Society (USA), 2008 to present

### **Journal Referee**

- *Journal of Developing Areas* (published by Muse), 2008 to present
- *Journal for Global Business Advancement* (Published by Inderscience), 2008 to present
- *Journal of International Business Studies* (published by Palgrave), 2006 to present
- *Journal of Transnational Management* (published by Routledge-Taylor & Francis group), 2005 to present
- *European Economic Review* (published by Elsevier), 2003 to present

- *Review of Middle East Economics & Finance* (published by Routledge), 2003 to present
- *Journal for International Business and Entrepreneurship Development* (published by Inderscience), 2008 to present
- *Journal of Business & Management* (published jointly by the Western Decision Sciences Institute and the Management Department at Colorado State University), 2002 to present
- *Journal of Economics* (published by the Missouri Valley Economic Association), 2002
- *Global Business & Economics Review* (published by Inderscience), 2003 to present
- *Journal of Socio-Economics* (published by Elsevier), 2004
- *Journal of Development and Economic Policies* (published by the Arab Planning Institute), 2003 to present

### **Conference Reviewer**

- Federation of Business Disciplines Conference, Southwest Academy of Management (SWAM), San Diego, California, USA, 2002 to present
- Business and Economics Society International Conference, Florence, Italy, 2006
- Business and Economics Society International Conference, Arizona, USA, 2005
- European Applied Business Research Conference, Athens, Greece, June 2005
- The Eighth Cross-Cultural Research Conference, Oahu, Hawaii, USA, 2001

### **Conference Session Chair, Moderator, or Discussant**

1. The 2008 Annual Meeting of the Academy of International Business Southwest, Houston, Texas, USA, March 2008.  
Session Chair and Discussant: “*Issues in International Business Management*”
2. The 2008 Annual Meeting of the Academy of International Business Southwest, Houston, Texas, USA, March 2008.  
Session Discussant: “*Issues in International Financial Management and Banking*”
3. The 2008 Annual Meeting of the Southwest Academy of Management (SWAM) and Federation of Business Disciplines, Houston, Texas, USA, March 2008.  
Session Chair: “*Management Development, Organizational Cognition, International Management*”
4. The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Southwest Academy of Management (SWAM) and Federation of Business Disciplines, San Diego, California, USA, March 2007.  
Session Chair: “*International Management/Organization and Management Theory*”
5. The 2007 Annual Conference of the Academy for Global Business Advancement and the Asian Academy of Management (Joint World Congress), Universiti Sains Malaysia and Park-Royal Hotel, Penang, Malaysia, May 21-25, 2007.

- Session Chair: *“Contemporary Issues in Global Business”*
6. The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines (The Academy of International Business, U.S., Southwest Chapter), Town and Country Resort, San Diego, California, USA, March 2007.  
Session Chair: *“Issues in International Business Management”*
  7. The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines (The Academy of International Business, U.S., Southwest Chapter), Town and Country Resort, San Diego, California, USA, March 2007.  
Session Discussant: *“Issues in International Economic Development”*
  8. The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Southwest Academy of Management (SWAM) and Federation of Business Disciplines, San Diego, California, USA, March 2007.  
Session Chair: *“International Management/Organization and Management Theory”*
  9. The 2007 Annual Meeting of the Southwest Academy of Management (SWAM) and Federation of Business Disciplines, San Diego, California, USA, March 2007.  
Session Discussant: *“International Management/Management Education and Development”*
  10. The 2006 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines (The Academy of International Business, U.S., Southwest Chapter), Renaissance Convention Center, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, USA, March 2006.  
Session Chair: *“Globalization and International Business”*
  11. The 2005 Annual Meeting of the Business and Economics Society International, Flagstaff, Arizona, USA, July 2005.  
Session Chair: *“Transition, Development & FDI”*
  12. The 2005 Annual Meeting of the Business and Economics Society International, Flagstaff, Arizona, USA, July 2005.  
Session Discussant: *“Macroeconomics & Government in the Global Environment”*
  13. The 2005 European Applied Business Research Conference, Atlantis Hotel, Santorini Islands, Greece, June 2005.  
Session Chair: *“Finance & Business Strategy”*
  14. The 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on the Economics and Finance of the Middle East and North Africa (jointly organized by the School of Business at the Lebanese American University and the Regional Chapter of the Middle East Economics Association (MEEA), Lebanese American University, Byblos, Lebanon, May 2005.  
Session Chair: *“Responses to Economic Restructuring”*

15. The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines (The Academy of International Business, U.S., Southwest Chapter), Caribe Royale Convention Center, Orlando, Florida, USA, March 2004.  
Session Chair and Discussant: *“Issues in Economic Growth and Development”*
16. The 2004 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines (The Academy of International Business, U.S., Southwest Chapter), Caribe Royale Convention Center, Orlando, Florida, USA, March 2004.  
Session Discussant: *“Business Strategy and Policy: Global, Regional, and Industry Issues”*
17. The 2003 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines (The Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter), Hyatt Regency, Houston, Texas, USA, March 2003.  
Session Chair: *“The Multinational Corporation”*
18. The 2003 Annual Meeting of the Federation of Business Disciplines (The Academy of International Business, U.S. Southwest Chapter), Hyatt Regency, Houston, Texas, USA, March 2003.  
Session Discussant: *“International Finance and Economics: Views from the Middle East and Asia”*
19. The 2003 Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Society of Economists, Hyatt Regency, Houston, Texas, USA, March 2003.  
Session Discussant: *“Applied Economics I”*
20. The 2002 Christianity and Economics Second National Research Conference and The Lilly Fellows Program, Baylor University, Waco, Texas, USA, November 2002. Session Moderator: *“Globalization”*
21. The 2002 International Business and Economics Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA, October 2002.  
Session Chair: *“E-Commerce”*
22. The 2002 International Business and Economics Research Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA, October 2002.  
Session Chair: *“Strategic and International Management”*
23. The Fourth International Conference on the Economics and Finance of the Middle East and North Africa, Byblos, Lebanon, May 2002.  
Session Chair: *“Open Economy”*
24. The 2001 International Society for Quality of Life Studies Conference, Washington, DC, USA, December 2001.  
Session Chair: *“Indicators and Models of Housing and Neighborhood Well-being”*

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9. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "Reinventing Our Economic Growth Strategy" *The General Manager Magazine*, vol. 14, no. 145 and 146: 8.
10. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "Marketing Management: The Missing Link" *The General Manager Magazine*, vol. 14, no. 135, February-March, 2006: 9.
11. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "How to Organize your Business Around your Best Customers" *The General Manager Magazine*, vol. 13, no. 129 and 130, May-June, 2005: 8.
12. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "The Cost of War...and *Peaceful* Surprises" *An-Nahar Newspaper*: August 16, 2006: 15.
13. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "Establishing a Competitive Economic Power" *Al Bayan* (the premier monthly business and economic magazine published in Lebanon and the Gulf region), no. 417, August 2006: p. 45.

14. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "Regionalism: An Opportunity for *Economic Resistance-Part II*" *Al-Balad Newspaper* (the Lebanese Arabic daily): August 08, 2006: 14.
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23. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "Challenges and Prospects of a Middle Eastern Bloc" *Al-Iktisad Aldouwali Magazine* (a regional economic and business magazine): Forthcoming.
24. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "A Special Interview on Business Reforms in the Islamic and Arab Countries" *An-Nahar Newspaper*: September 2005: 14.
25. Mehanna, Rock-Antoine. "Fighting Corruption in Lebanon: A "Joke" or a "Charade"?" *An-Nahar Newspaper*, February 16, 2005: 16.
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#### GRANTS AND FUNDED RESEARCH

- Topic: "The Impact of Paris III Reforms on Various Lebanese Economic Sectors: A Computable General Equilibrium Model" (Team Leader and Principal Investigator: Rock-Antoine Mehanna, Team Members: Irma Majdalani (Dean) and Ryan Haykal), Université Saint-Joseph (USJ), Beirut, Lebanon  
Sponsors: USJ Research Council and Lebanese Businessmen Assembly, Republic of Lebanon  
Date: 2009-10
- Topic: "Readiness of the Gulf Monetary Union: Revisited" (with M. Kabir Hassan)  
Funded by: The Economic Research Forum (ERF)  
Date: 2008
- Topic: "Gulf Monetary Union and Regional Integration: Theoretical, Empirical and Policy Analysis" (with M. Kabir Hassan and Ashraf Nakibullah).  
Funded by: The Economic Research Forum (ERF) for the Middle East, Iran, and Turkey  
Date: 2007
- Topics: "U.S. Public Finance and Growth" and "Currency Unions." Place: Iowa and Washington, D.C., USA. Funded by: Wartburg College. Date: winter 2003.

- Topic: “Trade, Religion, and Politics: An Empirical Assessment.” Place: Baylor University, Waco, Texas, USA. Funded by: The Lilly Foundation. Date: November 2002.
- Topic: “Economic Development and Counter-terrorism.” Country: Ukraine. Funded by: The Center for Global and Multicultural Studies, Wartburg College, Iowa, USA. Partner: Kharkiv Politechnic Institute “National Technical University,” Kharkov, Ukraine. Date: summer 2002.
- Topic: “Defense Spending in Lebanon.” Country: Lebanon. Partially funded by: Wartburg College, USA. Date: May 2002.
- Topic: “Politics, Culture, and Trade in the Middle East.” Country: Lebanon. Partially funded by: Wartburg College, USA. Date: May 2002.

## **SELECTED INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS AND INVITED LECTURES**

### **Conference Chair (invited)**

- Title: “Lebanon and the Challenges of Recovery”  
Sponsors: The Center for the Global South at the American University, Washington, D.C. and the René Moawad Foundation, Washington, D.C.  
Place and Date: The American University, Washington, D.C., USA, October 4, 2003

### **Guest Speaker (invited)**

- Host: University of Balamand  
Topic: The Lebanese and Arab Banking Sectors: A Micro and Macro Perspectives  
Organizer: School of Business  
Place and Date: University of Balamand, Lebanon, April 18, 2008
- Host: The Ministry of Commerce of the People’s Republic of China  
Event: Seminar on Macro-economy Management for Developing Countries  
Organizer: China Center for Business Cooperation and Coordination  
Place and Date: Beijing, Shanghai and Hefei, China, July 30–August 18, 2007.
- Event: *The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Academy for Global Business Advancement and the Asian Academy of Management (Joint World Congress)*  
Topic: “Business and Entrepreneurship Development in a Globalized Era  
Organizers: Texas A&M University and George Washington University, USA  
Place and Date: Universiti Sains Malaysia and Park-Royal Hotel, Penang, Malaysia, May 21-25, 2007.

- *Member of the International Scientific and Organizing Committee, The International Conference on “Rebuilding Sustainable Communities in Iraq: Policies, Programs and Projects”*  
Organizer: University of Massachusetts at Boston, USA  
Place and Date: College of Public and Community Service, University of Massachusetts, Boston, USA, July 23-26, 2007.
- *Member of the International Arab Scholars Committee to elect the “Top 100 Arab Business Personalities and Scholars”*  
Organizer: Dar Al-Sayad, Lebanon and the Middle East  
Place and Date: Arab Countries, 2006
- *Guest Speaker, The International Conference on Doing Business in Islamic Asia*  
Topic: “International Business Patterns in Islamic Countries”  
Organizers: The Universiti Kabangsaan Malaysia (National University of Malaysia) and the University of Hawaii at Manoa, USA in conjunction with the Annual Meetings of the Organization of Islamic Countries and the Islamic Development Bank  
Place and Date: Renaissance Convention Center, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, June 21-23, 2005
- *Event: The Oxford Round Table*  
Topic: “Issues Affecting Trade and Financial Relations between the European Union and the United States”  
Organizer: St. Anthony’s College, University of Oxford  
Place and Date: University of Oxford, United Kingdom, August 1-6, 2004
- *Guest Speaker (invited), College of Business Administration, Ph.D. Program in Financial Economics, University of New Orleans, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA; and the Nelson Mandela School of Public Policy, Ph.D. Program in Policy Analysis, Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, USA, February-March 2004*  
Seminars and Lecture Series on such topics as “Business Policies in the Middle East” and “International Business Strategy: Globalization vs. Regionalization”.
- *Guest Speaker. Title: “The Relationship between Family Unity and Economics in Lebanon”*  
Sponsor and Organizer: Lebanese Broadcasting Corporation International (LBCI) LBCI Television Station, Adma, Lebanon, August 2003
- *Guest Speaker. Title: “Youth in Lebanon: Catalysts for Democracy and Change”*  
Panel: “Globalization, Education, and Economics”  
Sponsors: The Center for the Global South at the American University, Washington, D.C. and the René Moawad Foundation, Washington, D.C.  
Place and Date: Hotel Washington, Washington, D.C., USA, November 9, 2002

- *Guest Speaker*. Title: “The Politics and Repercussions of War in the Middle East”  
Sponsor: Waverly Ecumenical Commission for Peace and Justice (WECPAJ)  
Place and Date: Saint Mary’s Drexler Center, Iowa, USA, April 27, 2003
- *Guest Speaker*. Title: “Future of the Gulf Currency Union: Is It a Viable Project?”  
Sponsor: The Emirates Center for Strategic Studies and Research (ECSSR)  
Place and Date: Abu Dhabi, the United Arab Emirates, July 1-2, 2002
- *Guest Speaker*. A large number of television (e.g., CNN, CNBC) and radio scholarly interviews and roundtables on such topics as the Opportunities and Challenges of Higher Education in Lebanon and the Middle East; Prospects of a Middle Eastern Economic Bloc; Lebanon’s Business and Economic Sectors; Small Business and Family Business Management in Lebanon and the Middle East; the Strategic Management and Planning of Aquaculture and Agriculture in Lebanon and Syria; Analyzing the Ministerial Program of Prime Minister Fouad Siniora’s Cabinet; Business Reforms in Lebanon and the Middle East; and Investments in Lebanon.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Chairman (elected), *University Graduate Board*, Notre Dame University, Fall 2006 to present
- Chairman, *Strategic Planning Ad-hoc Committee*, Institutional Strategies section, Notre Dame University, Spring 2007 to present
- Advisory Board Member, *The Lebanese International Businesspersons Association Network* (L.I.B.A.N.), 2006 to present
- Member, *Strategic Planning Steering Committee* (NEASC), Notre Dame University, Lebanon, 2007 to present
- Member, *Strategic Planning Steering Committee* (NEASC, undergraduate programs), Lebanese American University, Lebanon, 2005-06
- Member, *Admissions Council*, Lebanese American University, Lebanon, 2005-06.
- Member, *Student Campus Life Council*, Lebanese American University, Lebanon, 2004-05.
- Member, *University Curriculum Council*, Lebanese American University, Lebanon, 2004-05.
- Faculty Adviser and Initiator, *The Business Club* (a very active club comprising more than 75 students of different majors (e.g., Business, Economics, Engineering, Pharmacy, Political Science, among other majors), Lebanese American University, Byblos, Lebanon, 2004-to present.
- Founder President, *Alumni Association of the Notre Dame University*, Lebanon, 1991-95.
- Co-founder, *Placement Office*, Notre Dame University, Lebanon, 1993.
- Faculty Adviser, *Rest of the World* (ROW) soccer club, Wartburg College, Iowa, December 2001-04.

- Faculty Suite Adviser, *Student Grossman Suite*, Theme: “*Current International Events*”, Wartburg College, Iowa, 2003-04.
- Committee Member, *Global and Multicultural Studies*, Wartburg College, Iowa, 2002-04.
- Faculty co-adviser, *Model United Nations Club*, Southern University, 1998-00.
- Expert Opinion. A frequent guest speaker and lecturer at various events and media outlets with such recent examples as the televised interview on CNBC’s *Gateway to the Middle East* program; the interview by the Associated Press “Terror Concerns Pacific Rim Nations;” the 60-minute TV show “Here & There” on Channel 15 in Iowa, USA (special program: “Middle East Economics and Counterterrorism”); the “Evening Update” program on National Public Radio in Northridge, California; the Washington Report on Middle East Affairs, vol. XXII (1); keynote speaker/guest speaker at various renowned television and radio programs.

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