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PROFILE

- *Eighteen years development experience in Africa, the Middle East, UK and USA
- *Strong research and operational experience in Education, Poverty, Labor Markets and Gender
- *Demonstrated management and team leadership in developing and high income countries
- *Master of Philosophy *with Distinction*, Development Studies, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK. Bachelor of Arts Economics, University of Pennsylvania, USA
- *Fluent Arabic, English and French

EXPERIENCE

04/11 – Present **Senior Economist**. Human Development Department, Middle East and North Africa, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA.

Team Leader for the Education Technical Assistance program in Saudi Arabia. Leading the dialogue on education reforms. Developed and implementing a multi-year Fee-based technical assistance in four areas: developing education indicators, developing a strategy for inclusive education, reviewing decentralization in education and developing a national student assessment.

Team Leader for the Education program in the Republic of Djibouti. Leading the policy dialogue with the government on education. Designed and supervising a multi-million dollar education project.

Regional Coordinator for Early Childhood Development in MENA working to promote ECD policies and programs in the region. Conducting a study on the status of ECD in MENA through the analysis of national household surveys for 12 countries in MENA that would help guide these countries in developing interventions for ECD.

Human Development Coordinator for Gulf Cooperation Council countries. Coordinating the World Bank's Human Development portfolio in Gulf countries. Identifying areas for World Bank support in Gulf Countries. Designed and directed a 10 day core course on education reforms in Oman to a group of 40 participants from 11 MENA countries. Conducted a workshop on Public Expenditure Reviews to the Ministries of Finance, Education and Health in UAE.

MENA Focal Point for Gender in Human Development. Responsible for identifying and promoting key gender-related issues in Human Development in MENA. Developing a study on factors contributing to differences in international test results between boys and girls in three MENA countries.

10/08 – 03/11 **Regional Director, West Asia and North Africa, the Population Council, Cairo, Egypt.**

Headed the regional office and provided oversight to country and regional projects. Developed the regional strategy and annual budgets with a focus on

quality and results. Managed three senior managers and a core staff of 30. Built partnerships with government agencies and development organizations. Raised funds and expanded the Council's work to other regions. Authored numerous studies on education, employment, gender and civic participation. Oversaw the first youth survey in Egypt and the largest in the Middle East and North Africa.

8/07 – 10/08 **Senior Economist.** Human Development Department, Middle East and North Africa, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA.

Team Leader for Education Programs in Iraq and Syria. Managed the largest portfolio under the Iraq program including 3 major operations and analytical studies totalling over \$160 million. Led dialogue with government officials, donor partners, and NGOs on education in Iraq. Presented the status of education in Iraq at a high profile event organized by the US Council for Foreign Relations. Prepared a strategy for education in Syria to help the government reform the sector focusing on greater efficiency and effectiveness.

4/05 – 7/07 **Senior Economist.** Office of the Chief Economist, Middle East and North Africa, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA.

Led the gender and economics work in MENA. Developed dialogue with client government agencies and colleagues on gender issues; prepared notes and studies on gender dimensions in economic development (employment, population, rural development). Represented the gender team internally and externally. Delivered workshops and seminars on gender and economics in the MENA region. Principle author of studies on Gender and Employment in Morocco and Gender Dimensions of Vocational Training in Morocco.

07/02 – 03/05 **Economist.** Human Development Department 2, Africa Region, World Bank, Washington, DC, USA.

Managed the Education Program in Burkina Faso and the Social Sector Program in Sao Tome and Principe. Led dialogue with clients and donors in the two countries. Provided guidance and leadership to task team members. Managed the Basic Education Project in Burkina Faso and worked closely with clients, donors and colleagues in resolving difficult implementation issues. Supervised the Burkina Faso Post-Primary Education Project until its successful closure. Prepared, negotiated and supervised the Social Sector Support Project in Sao Tome and Principe. Led and contributed to Economic and Sector Work including the preparation of the Niger Post-Primary Education Study, the Sao Tome and Principe Country Gender Assessment, the Education chapter in the Burkina Faso Public Expenditure Review, Education sections of the Sao Tome and Principe Country Economic Memorandum. *Recipient of 2006 IEG Best Practice Award for Burkina Faso Program*

03/00 – 07/02 **Young Professional.** World Bank, Washington, DC, USA

Human Development Department 2, Africa Region

Responsible for the Education component in the preparation of the social sector project in Sao Tome e Principe. Prepared 2 chapters on economic analysis of health outcomes for the Cameroon Health Country Status Report. Prepared the

Economic Analysis for the Sao Tome and Principe Health and Education Project Completion Report and the Chad Population and AIDS Project.

Poverty Reduction and Economic Management Gender Unit

Prepared a literature review study under the Economic Policy and Gender Initiative on trade and gender: *Does Trade Liberalization have A Gender Differentiated Effects?*

Human Development, Middle East and North Africa

Co-authored the Education chapter for the Yemen Public Expenditure Review, and Preparation for 2nd Five Year Plan and the Yemen Higher Education Rationalization Study. Contributed to the preparation of the Yemen Basic Education Expansion Project.

- 2/98 – 2/00 **Consultant Economist**, Population Council, Cairo, Egypt
Principal Investigator and author of Youth Livelihood Opportunities in Egypt Study.
- 9/98 – 12/99 **Research Associate**, Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt
Principal Investigator and author of Women and Work section of the 1998 National Labor Force Sample Survey. Prepared survey instruments, analyzed data, prepared report and presented results.
- 10/97 - 3/98 **Research Coordinator**, Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt
Assisted Managing Director in liaising with partner institutions, including preparation for and follow-up on research activities. Prepared notes on privatization, private sector development and trade in the MENA region which were included in the MENA Indicators Report.
- 5/96 - 7/96 **Research Assistant**, Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex, UK: Prepared background reading and information packages for participants in Study Seminar 'Sub-Saharan Africa: Through Structural Adjustment to Transformation', Accra, Ghana
- 2/94 - 9/95 **Project officer**, United Nations Women's Association, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.
Raised funds for local groups and organizations needing support. Established a scholarship Fund for girls of high academic merit and limited financial resources.

ASSOCIATIONS/AFFILIATIONS

- Chairperson, MENA Regional Strategy Development Working Group, World Bank, 2008
- Member, IMF/World Bank Arab Club Executive Board, World Bank, 2007-2008
- MENA Regional Diversity and Inclusion Coordinator, World Bank, 2007-2008
- Member, Advisory Group on Darfur Education and Conflict Project, Population Council 2007-2010

EDUCATION

- 9/97 **Master of Philosophy with distinction, Development Studies**
Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK

Dissertation: 'The Veil and the Market: Causes of Low Female Labour Force Participation in the Middle East - An Economic Analysis'

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Bachelor of Arts, Economics

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

PUBLICATIONS:

El-Kogali, S. (2011) *Education during Humanitarian Emergencies: The Situation of Displaced Children and Youth in Darfur Sudan*. Updated May 2011. Brief No. 32. Transitions to Adulthood. Population Council, NY. USA

Krafft, C. and S. El-Kogali (2010) *Chapter 3: Education*. Report on the Survey of Young People in Egypt. The Population Council, Cairo, Egypt

El-Kogali, S. (2010) *Chapter 7: Social Issues, Values and Civic Engagement*. Report on the Survey of Young People in Egypt. The Population Council, Cairo, Egypt

El-Kogali, S. (2010) *Chapter 9: Attitudes Toward Gender Roles*. Report on the Survey of Young People in Egypt. The Population Council, Cairo, Egypt

Barsoum, G., M. Ramadan, S. El-Kogali (2010) *Youth Life Transitions : Opportunities, Capabilities and Risks in Egypt* Human Development Report: Youth in Egypt: Building Our Future. UNDP and the Institute of National Planning. Cairo, Egypt.

Lloyd, C., S. El-Kogali, J Perlman Robinson, J. Rankin and A. Rashed (2010) *Schooling and Conflict in Darfur: A snapshot of Basic Education Services for Displaced Children*. Population Council, NY, USA

El-Kogali, S. (2002) *Women and Work in Egypt: A Decade of Change in The Egyptian Labor Market in an Era of Reform* Assaad, R. (ed.) The Economic Research Forum, Cairo Egypt

Suliman E. and S. El-Kogali (2002) *Why are the Children Out of School? Factors Affecting Children's Education in Egypt*. Paper presented at the ERF Ninth Annual Conference, Sharja, UAE, October 28, 2002.

El-Kogali, S. And E. Suliman (2001) *Poverty, Human Capital and Gender: A Comparative Study of Yemen and Egypt*. Working Paper 0123, Economic Research Forum Working Paper Series.

El-Kogali, S. and N. H. Al-Bassusi (2001) Youth Livelihood Opportunities in Egypt. The Population Council, Cairo, Egypt.

PRESENTATIONS:

El-Kogali, S. (2010) *Young People in Arab Countries: Promoting Opportunities and Participation – Survey of Young People in Egypt*. April 28-30, 2101, Marseille, France.

El-Kogali, S. (2009) *The Protective Role of Education in Conflict: A case study from Darfur, Sudan*, presented at the conference “Children and Armed Conflict: Risk, Resilience and Mental Health”, National Academy of Sciences, Washington, DC, USA

El-Kogali, S. (2008) *Education in Iraq – Challenges and Hope* presented at Center for Foreign Relations, Washington, DC, USA

El-Kogali, S. (2007) *Gender Dimensions in Vocational Training in Morocco*, presented at a Workshop on Employment in Morocco, Rabat Morocco

El-Kogali, S. (2006) *Gender and Employment in Morocco: Towards Greater Economic Opportunities*, Presented at the Conference for Female Arab Parliamentarians, Rabat, Morocco

El-Kogali, S. (2004) *Promoting Just Economic Development- the Role of Human Development* presented at the Sudan at the Crossroads Conference, Fletcher School, Boston, USA.

El-Kogali, S. (2003) *Knowledge, Islam and Development* Lecture delivered to the Graduate class on Islam and Development, The Paul H. Nitze School for Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, DC, USA

El-Kogali, S. (2002) *Thoughts on Islam and Gender in Development*. Presentation at the seminar: Observations on the Status of Women in Afghanistan. World Bank, Washington, DC, USA

El-Kogali, S. (2002) *Veils of Ignorance: Islam, Development and the West*. Presentation at the Spring 2002 Brown Bag Lecture Series of the International Development Program, The Paul H. Nitze School for Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, DC, USA

El-Kogali, S. (2000) *Gender and Development in Islam*. Lecture delivered to the Graduate class on Islam and Development, The Paul H. Nitze School for Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University, Washington, DC, USA

El-Kogali, S. (1999) *For Better or For Worse: Women in the Labor Market in Egypt, An analysis of the 1988 and 1998 Labor Market Surveys*. Presented at the Conference on Labor Markets and Human Development, sponsored by the Economic Policy Initiative Consortium (EPIC), Cairo, Egypt, November 29-31, 1999

El-Kogali, S. (1998) *Youth and Work in Egypt: An overview* presented at Study Group on Youth in the Middle East: Population processes and cultural construction, 19-21 October 1998, Cairo, Egypt

El-Kogali, S. (1998) *Education and Development in the Sudan: Is the Revolution of Higher Education an Efficient Allocation of Educational Resources?* Presented at the Conference on the Status and Future of Higher Education in Sudan, held 1-5 August 1998, Cairo, Egypt

El-Kogali, S. (1998) *Obstacles to Girls' Schooling: Islam or Economics?* Presented at the Annual Conference of the Economic Research Forum, held 31 August – 2 September 1998, Gammarth, Tunisia