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EDUCATION

Ph.D.: Economics, University of Sussex, United Kingdom, 2016

MSc.: Economics, University of Copenhagen, Denmark, 2008

BA.: Economics, Addis Ababa University, Ethiopia, 2005

TITLE OF DOCTORAL THESIS: *Three Essays on the Impact of Institutions and Policies on Socio-Economic Outcomes*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Academic and Research

2022 – Present Visiting Assistant Professor, Northeastern University

2019 – 2021 Lead researcher and center coordinator, Policy Studies Institute (Ethiopia)

2017 – 2018 Research Fellow, Ethiopian Development Research Institute (Ethiopia)

2008 – 2011 Research Associate, Ethiopian Development Research Institute (Ethiopia)

Consulting Works

Served as consultant for the African Center for Economic Transformation (ACET), the International Labor Organization (ILO), UNCTAD, the World Bank.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor economics, industrial policy and structural transformation, political economy, economic growth, human capital

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journals

- McKay, A., & Tekleselassie, T. G. (2018). Tall paper walls: The political economy of visas and cross-border travel. *The World Economy*, 41(11), 2914-2933.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/twec.12686>
- Reilly, B., & Tekleselassie, T. G. (2018). The role of United States Visa Waiver Program on cross-border travel. *Applied Economics Letters*, 25(1), 61-65.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/13504851.2017.1293782>

Book Chapters

- Ethiopia Case Study (with John Page, Nzinga Brousard, Tadele Ferede, and Hansa Reda) in Hino, H., & Ranis, G. (Eds.), *Youth and Employment in Sub-Saharan Africa: Working But Poor* (pp. 163-231). Routledge (2014)
- Ethiopia Productivity Report 2020 with Mulu Gebreeyesus and Kidanemariam Hailu (The Policy Studies Institute (Ethiopia) and the National Graduate Institute for Policy Studies (Japan)
- Macroeconomic Outlook, Structural Change and Policy Options in Ethiopia: Achievements, Aspirations, and Prospects in State of the Ethiopian Economy 2020/21, Ethiopian Economic Association ISBN 978-99944-54-81-5

Published Working Papers

- "The potential of industries without smokestacks to address unemployment" *Brookings AGI Working Paper 41* (2021), (African Growth Institute at the Brookings)
<https://www.brookings.edu/research/the-potential-of-industries-without-smokestacks-to-address-unemployment-an-ethiopia-case-study/>
- "Formalized Employee Search and Labor Demand" IZA Discussion Paper, 14839 (2021) (with Lukas Hensel (University of Oxford) and Marc Witte (Institute of Labor Economics, IZA)
<https://docs.iza.org/dp14839.pdf>
- "The State, Determinants, and Consequences of Skills Mismatch in the Ethiopian Labour Market" EDRI Working Paper, 021/2018 (with Berhe Mekonnen) <https://psi.gov.et/index.php/working-papers?download=54:the-state-determinants-and-consequences-of-skills-mismatch-in-the-ethiopian-labour-market>
- Occupational Choice and Structural Transformation in Ethiopia" PSI Working Paper 027,
<https://psi.gov.et/index.php/working-papers/category/12-stip-working-papers?download=107:occupational-choice-and-structural-transformation-in-ethiopia>

- “Subjective Wellbeing and Institutions: The Case of Rural Ethiopia.” EDRI Working Paper 16 February, 2017. Addis Ababa: Ethiopian Development Research Institute.
<https://ideas.repec.org/p/etd/wpaper/016.html>
- “Youth Unemployment: Ethiopia Country Study” (with Nzinga Brousard), IGC Working Paper, 12/0592, August, 2012 available at <https://www.theigc.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Broussar-Tekleselassie-2012-Working-Paper1.pdf>

Other works and reports

- TVET system assessment in Somali and Tigray regional states, Ethiopia, with a focus on inclusiveness, International Labour Organization (2021) ISBN: 9789220349519 (print) 9789220349526 (web pdf) <https://data2.unhcr.org/en/documents/download/88869>
- The Impact of Emergency Food Aid on Children's Schooling and Work Decisions (with Nzinga Brousard and Robert Poppe) <https://ideas.repec.org/p/ags/aaea16/235219.html>
- “Determinants of Productivity in the Manufacturing Sector in Ethiopia: The Case of Textile and Garment Industries” With Tigabu Degu, Kidanemariam Hailu, Girum Abebe, Gebrehiwot Ageba; <https://thedocs.worldbank.org/en/doc/710091527997196820-0010022018/original/D1TextileGarmentProductivityTekleselassieetalABCA2018Final.pdf>

Blog posts

- “Ethiopia’s Youth and their Labour Market Prospects” <https://www.theigc.org/blog/ethiopias-youth-and-their-labour-market-prospects/>
- “Enhance Agricultural Productivity for Youth Employment in Sub-Saharan Africa (2016)” <http://includeplatform.net/enhance-agricultural-productivity-youth-employment-sub-saharan-africa/>

MEDIA APPEARANCE

- Ethiopian Broadcasting Corporation (ETV, FM Radio), Addis TV, Addis Fortune Newspaper, Deutsche Welle (DW) Amharic program
- Newspaper commentaries (Selected - English)
 - o <https://addisfortune.news/manufacturing-construction-feel-covid-19s-heat/>
 - o <https://addisfortune.news/leather-industry-desperate-to-save-own-skin/>
 - o <https://addisfortune.news/fdi-flow-grapples-with-political-instability-covid-19/>
 - o <https://addisfortune.news/hawassa-industrial-park-gears-up-to-export-masks-bio-suits/>

JOURNALS REFEREEING

Selected journals served as a referee: Review of Development Economics, African Development Review, Journal of Happiness Studies, Journal of Human Capital

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- American Economic Association, Royal Economic Society, Ethiopian Economic Association

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

- 2022 UNCTAD South-South Integration - Sharing of Policy Experiences, panelist on Digital Transformation, Geneva, Switzerland
- 2020 (February): Overseas Development Institute (ODI), panelist on “supporting budget reallocation using spending reviews”, London, United Kingdom
- 2019: The 2019 Conferences on African Development, CSAE, (University of Oxford); Oxford, UK
- 2018: The 2018 Conferences on African Development, CSAE, (University of Oxford); Oxford, UK
- 2018: Annual Bank Conference on Africa: Examining the Challenges and Opportunities of Firms' Productivity in Africa, (Stanford University); Stanford, CA
- 2015: The 17th Annual Conference: European Trade Study Group (ETSG); Paris, France; September
- 2015: The 49th Eastern Economic Association Meetings; New York, USA; February. International Trade & Finance Association, Silver Jubilee Conference, Sarasota, Florida, USA; May
- 2014: Department of Economics Internal Seminar; University of Sussex, Brighton, UK; June. Department of Economics Internal Seminar; University of Sussex, Brighton, UK; December
- 2013: International Growth Centre (IGC) Growth Week 2013; London, United Kingdom