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EMPLOYMENT

Senior Lecturer, School of Economics, University of Kent	October 2014 onwards
Lecturer, School of Economics, University of Kent	January 2012 to September 2014
Lecturer, Dept. Of Intl. Development, University of Oxford	September 2008 to December 2011
Post-doctoral Fellow, Dept. Of Economics, University of Namur, Belgium	August 2006 to September 2008
Research Assistant, Economic Research Div., Goldman Sachs Intl., London	June 1999 to April 2001

EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, (Cambridge, MA, USA), PhD in Economics, 2006
Yale University, (New Haven, CT, USA), BSc in Economics and Mathematics, 1999

RESEARCH FUNDING

Australian Agency for International Development, Principal Investigator
Study on Female Secondary Schooling and Gender Norms in Bangladesh
Amount: £ 380,000

OTHER APPOINTMENTS AND AFFILIATIONS

STICERD, London School of Economics, Visiting Research Fellow	2016-2017
DfID Econ. Development and Institutions Project, Scientific Committee Member	2015-2016
UNU-WIDER Gender and Development Project, Scientific Committee Member	2015-2018
Theoretical Research in Development Economics, Research Associate	2011 to Present
Centre for the Study of African Economies (Oxford), Research Associate	2010 to Present
Center for Operations Research and Econometrics (Louvain), Research Associate	2006 to 2008

PUBLICATIONS

- 1) Pal and Wahhaj (2016), "Fiscal Decentralisation, Local Institutions, and Public Good Provision: Evidence from Indonesia", *Journal of Comparative Economics*, published online.
- 2) Casini, Vandewalle and Wahhaj (2015), "Public Good Provision in Indian Rural Areas", *World Bank Economic Review*, published online.
- 3) Platteau, Somville and Wahhaj (2014), "Elite capture through information distortion: A theoretical essay", *Journal of Development Economics*, January 2014.
- 4) Platteau and Wahhaj (2014), "Strategic Interactions between Modern Law and Custom", *Handbook of the Economics of Art and Culture*, edited by Ginsburgh and Throsby, Elsevier.
- 5) Baland, Somanathan and Wahhaj (2013), "Repayment Incentives and the Distribution of Gains from Group Lending", *Journal of Development Economics*, November 2013.
- 6) Kazianga and Wahhaj (2013), "Gender, Social Norms and Household Production in Burkina Faso", *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, April 2013.
- 7) Ngo and Wahhaj (2012), "Microfinance and Gender Empowerment", *Journal of Development Economics*, September 2012.

- 8) Aldashev, Chaara, Platteau and Wahhaj (2012), “Modern Law as a Magnet to Reform Unfair Customs”, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, July 2012.
- 9) Aldashev, Chaara, Platteau and Wahhaj (2012), “Using the Law to Change the Custom”, *Journal of Development Economics*, March 2012.
- 10) Aldashev, Platteau and Wahhaj (2011), “Legal Reform in the Presence of a Living Custom: An Economic Approach”, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, December 2011.
- 11) Wahhaj (2010), “Social Norms and Individual Savings in the Context of Informal Insurance”, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, December 2010.

INVITED TALKS (since January 2012)

University of Namur Economics Seminar	June 2016
Eastern Arc Workshop on Economic & Psychological Approaches	April 2016
UNICEF WCARO Research Seminar	June 2015
Université Cheikh Anta Diop de Dakar, LARTES Seminar	June 2015
University of Portsmouth Economics & Finance Seminar	May 2015
UNU-WIDER Gender and Development Project Kick-off Meeting	May 2015
Universidad Autonoma de Barcelona, Dept. of Applied Economics Seminar	April 2015
University of Sussex, Economics Research in Progress Seminar	March 2015
Centre for the Study of African Economies (Oxford) Conference	March 2015
Barcelona Graduate School of Economics, ThReD Conference	June 2014
University of Warwick CAGE Conference	June 2014
University of Manchester, Development Economics Seminar	February 2014
University of Exeter, Department of Economics Seminar	May 2013
University of Nottingham, Development Economics Seminar	April 2013
Royal Economic Society Conference, Royal Holloway College	April 2013
Centre for the Study of African Economies (Oxford) Conference	March 2013
University of Warwick, Theoretical Economics Seminar	February 2013
Theoretical Research in Development Economics Workshop, Mexico City	November 2012
BRAC Special Seminar on Adolescent Education, Dhaka, Bangladesh	April 2012
Allied Social Sciences Association Conference, Chicago	January 2012