

Curriculum Vitae

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SHORT BIO

Shaddin Almasri is a Jordanian-American PhD Migration Studies candidate at Danube University Krems. In this role she is leading on the implementation of Smart Migration Asylum Governance sub-project 1 on Forced Migration Governance, in which she is researching nationality-based discrimination in refugee aid and inclusion policies across Jordan, Turkey and Ethiopia.. Her research interests are in aid policy, development, and refugee labour integration with a regional focus on the Middle East. Previously, she held research and advocacy roles at Oxfam in Jordan and at the WANA Institute, a local Jordanian think tank. She has held a variety of roles in short term research projects spanning topics such as climate migration, refugee discrimination, stratification in labour migration policy and refugee access to self-reliance mechanisms.

Shaddin holds an MSc Migration, Mobility and Development from SOAS, University of London and a BA Economics from the American University of Sharjah.

WORK EXPERIENCE

10/2020 - Present

PhD Researcher / Project Assistant

Department for Migration and Globalisation, Danube University Krems, Austria

- Leading Smart Migration and Asylum Governance sub-project 1: Global Governance & Forced Migration, a project supported by Austrian Ministry of Interior through a funded PhD position. This project includes publication of academic articles related to refugee responsibility sharing dynamics.

07/2019 – 10/2020

Senior Economic Justice Policy Officer

Economic Justice and Influencing Departments, Oxfam in Jordan, Jordan

- Supported policy and advocacy strategy development in Oxfam's Economic Justice team
- Prepared briefing notes on labour law and decisions pertaining to social protection, working conditions and employment of women, refugees and youth.
- Managed external consultants throughout project cycle including preparation of TORs, deliverables, follow-up and day-to-day operations.
- Supported and explored research on a variety of topics such as decent work, unpaid care, inequality, urban resilience and masculinities within Jordan and MENA region.

01/2018 – 08/2018

Senior Research and Advocacy Officer

Influencing Department, Oxfam in Jordan, Jordan

- Supported thematic research and advocacy on Syrian refugee displacement, labor inclusion, protection of civilians, humanitarian financing, resilience, and other humanitarian issues.
- Conducted primary research with refugee women in Za'atari camp to inform a policy briefing note on the challenges of their employment in the formal labor market

08/2016 – 12/2017

Refugee Economics and Livelihoods Researcher

Human Security – Refugee Economics Team, WANA Institute, Jordan

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EDUCATION

- 10/2020 – present** **PhD Migration Studies**
Danube University Krems, Austria
Dissertation Title: Refugee Inclusion -- for Whom? A Case Study of International Cooperation Dynamics to Support Refugees in (initial) Host States
- 09/2018 – 12/2019** **MSc Migration, Mobility and Development**
SOAS University of London, United Kingdom
Thesis Title: Influence of Aid Politics on Nationality-Based Labor Prioritisation Strategies: A Case Study of the Jordan Compact

OTHER TRAINING

- 2021** **Critical Perspectives on Global Asylum Governance (virtual)**
Migration Policy Centre, European University Institute, Italy
- 2018** **Palestine Refugee Law in the Middle East**
Oxford Refugee Studies Centre and Council for British Relations in the Levant, Jordan

PERSONAL SKILLS

Languages English (mother tongue), Arabic (Fluent)

PUBLICATIONS

Book chapters

2018. Alhajahmad, Shaddin and Dorsey Lockhart. "**Jordan's Recent Economic Performance: Implications for Future Growth, Investment, Refugee Policy, and Refugees.**" *A Region in Motion: Reflections from West Asia-North Africa*. Eds.: Erica Harper, Lien Santermans. *Economic Press*. April 2018, 97-106.
2018. Alhajahmad, Shaddin and Dorsey Lockhart. "**Jordan's Syrian Refugee Labor Integration Policy: A One Year Review.**" *A Region in Motion: Reflections from West Asia-North Africa*. Eds.: Erica Harper, Lien Santermans. *Economic Press*. April 2018, 77-96.

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Articles

2021. Almasri, Shaddin, '**Refugee Aid Politics Impact on Labor Market Dynamics: A Case Study of the Jordan Compact**' *Middle East Critique* 30(2). June 2021.
2020. Abdo, Nabil and Shaddin Almasri. '**A Decade of Hope, not Austerity: The Road to Recovery in the MENA Region post C-19**' *Oxfam: Policy and Practice*. August 2020.
2020. Almasri, Shaddin. '**A Matter of Cash and Resilience: An Effectiveness Review of Cash for Work for Refugees in Za'atari Camp**' *Oxfam: Policy and Practice*. July 2020
2018. Almasri, Shaddin. '**Tailor Made: How Syrian refugee women are finding their own way to join the Jordanian economy.**' *Oxfam: Policy and Practice*. August 2018.
2018. Alhajahmad, Shaddin, Katrina Barker and Dorsey Lockhart. '**Syrian Refugee Employment Trends in Jordan and Future Perspectives.**' *WANA Institute*. April 2018.
2018. Alhajahmad, Shaddin, Katrina Barker and Dorsey Lockhart. '**Syrian Refugee Women and the Workforce.**' *WANA Institute*. April 2018.
2017. Alhajahmad, Shaddin and Dorsey Lockhart. '**Statistics Brief: Syrian Refugee Employment Trends in Jordan.**' *WANA Institute*. December 2017.
2017. Alhajahmad, Shaddin and Maria Mikadze. '**Investment and Business in Jordan to Create Employment: Opportunities and Challenges.**' *WANA Institute*. November 2017.
2017. Alhajahmad, Shaddin and Erica Harper. '**Refugee Labour Inclusion: Turkey and the Kurdistan Region of Iraq.**' *WANA Institute*. January 2017.