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Academic Preparation

PhD in Economics, University of Mauritius, September 2006

Thesis title: Foreign Direct Investment, Exports and the Labour Market: Evidence for Sub Saharan Africa, (Supervisors: Prof. Shyam Nath and Prof Chris Milner) – Commonwealth Scholar under the Split-Doctoral Scholarship

Academic year 2002-2003 as Visiting Research Postgraduate at the University of Nottingham, School of Economics, UK

MSc in Economics and International Economics, University of Nottingham, UK, November 1999

BSc (Honours) Economics, First Class, University of Mauritius, November 1998

Employment

Associate Professor, University of Mauritius (April 2016 – to date)

Modules Taught: Market Analysis, International Macroeconomics, Microeconomic Theory, Advanced Microeconomics, Economics of Industry and Labour, International Development, Mauritian Economic Environment, Mauritian Economy, Theories of Regional Integration, Macroeconomic Foundations of Trade.

Lead of the Pole of Research Excellence – Applied Socio-Economic Research and Analysis (Oct 2017 – to date)

The Pole of Research Excellence “Applied Socio-Economic Research and Analysis (ASERA)” undertakes policy-driven, quantitative and qualitative research in the fields of Economics and Social Sciences.

Board Member of the Southern African Social Protection Experts Network (SASPEN) (2022- onwards)

Member of Advisory Panel -Southern African Social Protection Experts Network (SASPEN) (2022- onwards)

Head of Department of Economics and Statistics, University of Mauritius (April 2014 – April 2016)

Senior Lecturer, University of Mauritius (March 2012- March 2016)

Modules Taught: Introduction to International Economics and Trade, International Macroeconomics, Mauritian Economy, Microeconomic Theory, Advanced Microeconomics, Gender and Economics, International Development

WTO Chair Holder – WTO Chair Programme (WCP) Mauritius (2010-2012)

WTO Co-Chair Holder - WTO Chair Programme (WCP) Mauritius (2022- onwards)

Lecturer, University of Mauritius (July 2006 – 2011)

Modules Taught: International Trade, International Macroeconomics, Mauritian Economy, Principles of Econometrics, Economics of Industry and Labour, Applied Econometrics for Business, Quantitative Methods, Microeconomic Theory, Advanced Microeconomics

Lecturer, University of Technology, Mauritius (Dec. 2005 – June 2006)

Modules Taught: Fundamentals of Development, Introduction to Econometrics, Introduction to Statistics, Public Economics and Finance, Quantitative and Statistical Methods for Managers

Economic Analyst, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (Oct. 2004 – Dec. 2005)

Appointed to the Medium Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) section. Main duties: conducting research, analysing information and preparing reports relating to effective public expenditure management, in particular, the monitoring of resource allocation, costs and performance of ministries and government departments.

Consultant, Sustainable Resource Management Ltd. (Sept. 2001-Aug. 2002)

Environment and management consultancy firm

Responsible for the delivery of courses to employees in managerial and supervisory roles at Textiles Industries Ltd. and Leisure Garments Ltd. following the implementation of ISO 14001 by the Esquel Group of industries. Courses Taught: Exports and the Environment; The Impact of ISO 14001 on Employees' Working Conditions and Pay.

Technical Assistant, International Financial Services Ltd. (Feb. 2000-Feb. 2001)

Offshore Management Company

Managed a portfolio of fifty offshore companies/funds. Main duties and responsibilities included: incorporating new companies; dealing with bank and share transactions on behalf of clients and liaising with clients.

Research Assistant, School of Economics, University of Nottingham (Nov. 1998 – Sept. 1999)

To Prof. David Greenaway and Dr Katherine Wakelin on 'Trade and Immigration' and 'Trade Policies in OECD Countries'

To Prof. Oliver Morrissey on 'A Review of Trade Policies in Sub Saharan Africa'

Research Assistant, Economics Department, University of Mauritius (June 1998-Sept. 1998)

To: Late Associate Professor Rajen Dabee

Research Grants and Consultancy

1. Impact of COVID-19 on Informal Workers - Expertise France and AFD- To be Completed in November 2022
2. Course on Poverty and Vulnerability - Expertise France and AFD- August 2022
3. A diagnostic study on the informal sector in Mauritius to facilitate post-COVID recovery-UNDP – Completed June 2022
4. National Consultant for Social Development Expert to conduct a Mauritius Case Study on the Assessment of the Impact of Covid-19 on the Trajectory for Emergence – UNDP - Completed October 2021
5. The Socio-Economic Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on the Informal Sector, Migrants and Persons on the Social Register of Mauritius Project –UNDP – Completed September 2021
6. Building the Risk and vulnerability Index for Africa – UNECA- Completed June 2021
7. COVID-19 in Mauritius: Impacts and Social Protection Responses – SASPEN – Completed June 2021
8. Road Traffic Deaths and Injuries: The Shadow to GDP and Welfare in Mauritius -Traffic Management and Road Safety Unit as part of the National Road Safety Observatory – Completed June 2021.
9. The Formulation of a Gender Policy Document for the Ministry of Blue Economy, Marine Resources, Fisheries and Shipping – Completed June 2021
10. UNIDO-AfDB survey on the impact of COVID-19 on Manufacturing firms in Mauritius – UNIDO – Completed April 2021
11. Mauritian Fishing Communities and Fish Aggregating Devices (FADs): Addressing Climate Change Impacts and Challenges – RSF A –University of Mauritius- Completed March 2021
12. The Impact of Covid-19 on Trade, Investment and Employment – MRIC Funded Research – Completed March 2021
13. Mauritius National Study on e-Commerce – International Institute For Sustainable Development – Completed December 2020
14. Drug Use among Young Adults in Mauritius and Rodrigues. Measuring the Socio-Economic Cost –Completed December 2020
15. ITC SheTrades Outlook: She Trades Outlook Survey for Mauritius, International Trade Centre, Completed March 2020
16. Addressing the Education and Skills Mismatch in the Mauritian Economy – (Funded by TEC) – Completed February 2020
17. Rethinking Regional Integration in Africa – Case Studies (Funded by AERC) – Completed January 2020

18. Promoting sustainable economic growth through business-enabling policies in Mauritius Compiling a Longitudinal Dataset of Large Establishments and Analyzing Enterprises' Dynamics- (Funded by World Bank) – Completed May 2019
19. Impact of the National Minimum Wage in Mauritius (Ministry of Labour and Industrial Relations) – Completed January 2019
20. The Formulation of a Gender Policy Document for the Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms – Funded by Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reforms - Completed November 2019
21. World Bank and UoM Tracer Study – Funded by World Bank –Completed 2018
22. African Peer Review Mechanism – Socio-Economic Development Chapter for Mauritius – University of Mauritius and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade and MACOSS – Completed 2018.
23. Evaluating Social Protection for Women Entrepreneurs in the Informal Sector in Mauritius - Funded by the Mauritius Research Council - Completed 2017
24. World Bank Study on Gender Policies in Mauritius - Funded by the World Bank - Completed 2017
25. Development of a comprehensive strategy on street children in Mauritius 2017 – Ministry of Gender Equality, Child Development and Family Welfare
26. African Forum and Network on Debt and Development (AFRODAD) Project 2017 – Research on Analyzes of the Loan Contraction Process and Debt Management of the Republic of Mauritius.
27. UNDP Project (2017) - The Emergence of Africa -Processes, Drivers and Outcomes of Emergence – Case Study of Mauritius
28. World Bank Study on Minimum Wage in Mauritius - 2016
29. UoM Internally Funded Research Grant – Alcohol Abuse in Rodrigues -2014/15
30. ILO Project on Minimum Wage in Mauritius – 2014
31. UNCTAD Trade Facilitation Study – 2014
32. Household Indebtedness in Mauritius – UoM Internally Funded Research Grant - 2013/14

Publications (Journal Articles)

1. Small Island Developing States in a post-pandemic world: Challenges and opportunities for climate action with Aideen M Foley, Stefano Moncada, Michelle Mycoo, Patrick Nunn, Christopher Evans, (2022) Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Climate Change 13.3: e769
2. The innovation and exports interplay across Africa: Does business environment matter? (2022) The Journal of International Trade & Economic Development. Taylor and Francis
3. Minimum wage and employment: A gender perspective for Mauritius with Varuna Dreepaul-Dabee (2022) Journal of Business and Socio-economic Development, Emerald Publishing Limited
4. COVID-19 and Mauritius' tourism industry: An island perspective with Neha Devi Tengur, Sheereen Fauzel (2022) Journal of Policy Research in Tourism, Leisure and Events, Taylor and Francis
5. The impact of COVID-19 outbreak on the Mauritian export trade: A disaggregated analysis with Zameelah Khan Jaffur, Boopen Seetannah, Sheereen Fauzel, Viraiyan Teeroovengadum, Sonalisingh Ramsokh (2021), Journal International Trade, Politics and Development, Emerald Publishing Limited
6. Social policies, risks and vulnerabilities: A gender perspective for Mauritius with Deepa Gokulsing, Zoe Irving (2021) Journal of International and Comparative Social Policy, 37(3), 273-292
7. South-South Trade: Opportunity for a Small Island Economy (2021), *Journal of Economic Development, forthcoming*, September 2021
8. Mauritius COVID-19 (2021) - COVID-19 Island Insight Series 9, 1-6

9. A Socio-Economic-Political Dimension of Employment in Sub-Saharan Africa (2021) with S Gokhool, and H Kasseeah, *Forum for Social Economics*, February 2021
10. COVID-19 in Mauritius and other tourist paradises (2020) with J de Melo and B Seetanah, <https://voxeu.org/article/covid-19-mauritius-and-other-tourist-paradises>
11. Migration Intentions in Mauritius (2020), with O Roopchund and H Kasseeah, *Journal of Social Science* 62 (1-3), 23-44
12. Intimate partner violence and women's labour force participation in Sub Saharan Africa (2020), *Community, Work & Family*, 23 (1), 19-43.
13. Informal Social Protection: A Case Study of a Small Island Economy (2018) (with H. Kasseeah), *International Journal of Public Policy*, Vol. 14, Nos. 5/6, 391-406.
14. Vulnerable employment in Mauritius: experience of an upper-middle-income country (2018) (with S Gokhool and H Kasseeah) *International Journal of Development Issues*, 17(2), 187 - 204.
15. Is Gender An Impediment To Firm Performance? Evidence From Small Firms In Mauritius (2017) (with H. Kasseeah) *International Journal of Entrepreneurial Behaviour & Research*, 23 (6), 952-976
16. Drinking Behaviour in a Small Island Economy: A Gender Perspective (2016) (with S. Sobhee, H. Kasseeah and A. Gopaul, R. Thoplan), *Journal of Research for Consumers*, Issue 30, 1-34.
17. Alcohol Dependence: The Case of Small Mauritius (2016) (with S. Sobhee, H. Kasseeah and A. Gopaul), *Drugs and Alcohol Today*, 16(4), 267-278.
18. Gender Wage Differential in Private and Public Sector Employment: A Distributional Analysis for Mauritius (2016), (with R. Pydayya), *Gender in Management: An International Journal*, 31(3), 222 – 248
19. Ex-Garment Female Workers: A New Entrepreneurial Community in Mauritius (2016) (with H. Kasseeah), *Journal of Enterprising Communities* Special Issue on Gender Perspectives on Enterprising Communities, 10(1), 33 - 52
20. An Empirical Analysis of the Determinants of Expenditure on Alcohol by Alcohol Dependent Individuals in Mauritius (2015) (with S. Sobhee, H. Kasseeah and A. Gopaul), *Drugs and Alcohol Today*, 15(3), 1-15
21. Self-Employed Women and their Access to Finance: Perspectives from the Informal Sector (2015) (with H. Kasseeah), *African Journal of Science, Technology, Innovation and Development*, 1-8
22. Glass Ceiling and Sticky Floors: Hurdles for Mauritian Working Women (2015) (with R. Pydayya), *Equality, Diversity and Inclusion: An International Journal*, 34(5), 452-466
23. Financial Crisis and Informal Sector Women Entrepreneurs in Mauritius (2014) (with H. Kasseeah and R. Thoplan), *International Journal of Economics and Business Research*, 8 (2), 227-243
24. Gender, Education and Labour Market: Evidence from Mauritius' (2014) (with D. Gokulsing), *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy*, 34(9/10), 609 - 633
25. Women in the Informal Sector in Mauritius: A Survival Mode (2014) (with H. Kasseeah), *Equality, Diversity and Inclusion: An International Journal*, 33(8), 750 – 763
26. Gendering Governance: The Case of Mauritius (2013), *Equality, Diversity and Inclusion: An International Journal*, 33(6), 535-563
27. Gender Equality and Economic Development in Mauritius: A Win-Win Situation? (2013) (with H. Kasseeah), *OSSREA Journal of Social Policies and Development*, Special Issue on Gender in Economic, Social and Political Arenas - Mauritius Chapter, Vol. 2, 8-21
28. Access to Financing as a Barrier to Trade: Evidence from Mauritius (2013) (with H. Kasseeah, and V. D. Ancharaz), *Journal of African Business*, 14(3), 171-185
29. Exchange Rate Pass Through to Domestic Prices: Evidence from Mauritius (2013) (with A. Chicooree), *Journal of Economic Research*, May issue, 1-34
30. Red Dragon China and Small Mauritius Trade Links: An In-depth Analysis (2013) (with V. D. Ancharaz), *Journal of Chinese Economic and Foreign Trade Issues*, 6(3), 119-144

31. Poverty has a Woman's Face in Mauritius (2013) (with H. Kasseeah), *OSSREA Journal of Social Policy and Development*, Special Issue - Mauritius Chapter, 78-90
32. Phasing Out of the MFA: Impact on Women Workers in the Mauritian EPZ Sector (2012) (with A. Ayrga), *Regional and Sectoral Economic Studies*, 12(2), 149-160
17. Mobile Money in an Emerging Small Island Economy (2012) (with H. Kasseeah), *ARPN Journal of Science and Technology*, 2(5), 454-458.
18. Unveiling the Profile of Women Entrepreneurs in the Small Island Economy of Mauritius (2012) (with H. Kasseeah) *Interdisciplinary Journal of Contemporary Research In Business*, 4(4), 437-449.
19. African Exporting Firms in the Turmoil of the Global Financial Crisis' (2012), *Global Journal of Social Sciences*, 11 (1&2).
20. The Power to Choose: Women and Labour Market Decisions in Mauritius (2011), (with S. Ummersingh and Y. Bundhoo), *Journal of Emerging Trends in Economics and Management Sciences*, 2(3), 193-205.
21. Bitter EU Sugar Reforms for Mauritius: A Gender Perspective (2011), *European Journal of Economics, Finance and Administrative Sciences*, 46, 171-183.
22. Assessing the Formal Social Protection System in Mauritius' (2011) (with H. Kasseeah), *TIJ Research Journal of Social Science and Management*, 1(6), 82-94.
23. Facing the Global Financial Crisis - Policy Lessons and Recovery from Small Mauritius' (2011), *International Research Journal of Finance and Economics*, 66, 29-45.
24. Financial Constraints, Gender and Firm Performance: Evidence from Mauritius' (2011) (with H. Kasseeah), *Middle Eastern Finance and Economics*, 13, 60-70.
25. Exporting and the Wage Premium in Foreign Firms in Africa: Differential Effects across Export Destinations' (2011), *Research Journal of International Studies*, Issue 19.
26. Is Mauritius Ready to E-Bank? From a Customer and Banking Perspective' (2011) (with A. Ayrga), *Journal of Internet Banking and Commerce*, 16 (1), 1-17.
27. Facing the Global Financial Crisis - Policy Lessons and Recovery from Small Mauritius (2009), *AERC Conference Paper No. GFC_32*.
28. The Services Sector and Economic Growth in Mauritius: A Bounds Testing Approach to Cointegration (2010), *UoM Research Journal*, 16.
29. The Impact of EU Guaranteed Sugar Price Reduction on Mauritius' (2010) (with Sawkut Rojid, Sannasee Vinesh, Seetanah Boopen), *Journal of International Business and Economics*, 10 (1), 100-105.
30. The Impact of Exporting and Export Destination on Manufacturing Wages: Evidence for Sub-Saharan Africa (2007) (with C. Milner), *Review of Development Economics*, 11, 13-30.
31. The Impact of Exporting and Export Destination on Manufacturing Wages: Evidence for Sub-Saharan Africa (2004) (with C. Milner), *Centre for Research in Economic Development and International Trade (CREDIT)*, working paper no. 04/01.

Publications (Book Chapter)

1. Trade and Gas Emission in Mauritius: Impact on Socioeconomic Health and Environmental Degradation with Sheereen Fauzel (2022), *Environmental Degradation: Challenges and Strategies for Mitigation*, Volume 104, Springer.
2. Social media and tourism development in Africa: An empirical Investigation with Sheereen Fauzel (2022). *Handbook on Tourism and Social Media*, Edward Elgar Publishing
3. Social and Economic Vulnerability to Climate Change: A Gender Dimension for Indian Ocean Islands. In *Small Island Developing States*. (2021). 185-210. Springer, Cham.
4. Building the Patriarchy Index for sub-Saharan Africa: Perceptions and Acceptance of Violence Matter Most. *Patriarchy and Gender in Africa*, Chapter 4, forthcoming April 2021

5. Understanding Data (2020) (with Sheereen Fauzel)- An SPSS Guide for Tourism, Hospitality and Events Researchers, pp 60-80; Routledge.
6. Can Africa Serve as a Trading Hub for Mauritius? An In-Depth Analysis (2019), in Mauritius: A Successful Small Island Developing State, pp 14-39; Routledge, ISBN 9781857439717
7. An Analysis of the Sources of Growth in Mauritius (2019) (with B Seetanah, R Moremo, R Sannasee), in Mauritius: A Successful Small Island Developing State, pp 153-178; Routledge, ISBN 9781857439717
8. Mauritius' Economic Success Uncovered in "The Mauritian Paradox: Fifty years of Development, Diversity and Democracy" (with H. Kasseeah) - University of Mauritius Press, 2018
9. An Assessment of the Financial Vulnerability of Indebted Households in An In-depth Analysis of Rising Household Indebtedness in an Upper Middle Income Country –The Case of Mauritius – Nova Science Publishing, Inc, 2016
10. Econometric Analysis and Findings in An In-depth Analysis of Rising Household Indebtedness in an Upper Middle Income Country –The Case of Mauritius – Nova Science Publishing, Inc, 2016
11. Caracteristiques et Valeur du Travail et de la Main-D'oeuvre Servile à Maurice, 1823-1835 (with P. Veerapen and R. Lamusse) in Traites, Esclavage et Transition Vers L'engagisme – University of Mauritius 2015
12. Youth Unemployment in Mauritius: The Ticking Bomb (with H. Kasseeah) in Urban Youth Unemployment in Eastern and Southern Africa: Features, Challenges, Consequences and Cutback Strategies – Organisation for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa (OSSREA) 2015
13. Demographic Transition and Savings Behaviour in Mauritius (with R. Munozmoreno, B. Seetanah and R. Sannasee) in Emerging Markets and the Global Economy: A Handbook – Elsevier 2014
14. Maritime Security and Piracy in Mauritius (with S. Burthoo-Barah) in Maritime Transport Security: Issues, Challenges and National Policies – Edward Elgar 2013
15. Making Outcomes Matter: Programme-Based Budgeting for a Better Public Sector in Mauritius (with K. Padachi) in Thirty Years of Public Sector Reforms in Africa: Selected Country Experiences – Organisation for Social Science Research in Eastern and Southern Africa (OSSREA) 2013

Conference Proceedings

1. Globalisation, Higher Education and Youth Unemployment: The Case of Mauritius, paper presented at the 5th International Conference on Managing Organizations in Africa. Mauritius, August 2017.
2. Foreign Labour in the Manufacturing Sector: Evidence from Mauritius, paper presented at the Third International Conference on Global Business, Economics, Finance and Social Sciences, Mumbai, India, December 2014.
3. Persistent Youth Unemployment and High Demand for Foreign Workers in Mauritius: Explaining the Paradox (with H. Kasseeah), paper presented at the OSSREA Academic Workshop on Employment Policies and Strategies - Mauritius Chapter, University of Technology Mauritius, October 2013.
4. Non-Tariff Barriers within the COMESA Region: The Possibility of a Penalty System (with B. Seetanah, R.V. Sanasee and M. Lamport), paper presented at the WTO Chair Programme's International Conference on International Trade and Investment, Mauritius, September 2013.
5. Are China's and India's Trade Expansion Helping African Development? A South-South Trade Model Approach, paper presented at the Workshop on Regional Integration for Development, Berlin, November 2012.

Conferences Attended/ Virtual Conference

1. Nineteenth Century Indentured Labourers and Today's Foreign Labour in Mauritius: Any Similarity? (with Deepa Gokulsing, Priyanka Gopall and Yashna Damry), International Conference "Between Slavery and Post-slavery Citizenship, Dependence, and Abolitionism in African and Indian Ocean Societies", 10-12 April 2018
2. Cash Transfers, Social Protection and Poverty Reduction- The Case of Mauritius - International Annual SASPEN Conference – "Rethinking Social Protection For Inclusive Social and Economic Development Agenda" – Johannesburg South Africa, May 2018
3. Gender Based Violence and Labour Market Participation in Africa, "Elimination of Violence Against Women Conference" at Aberystwyth University (Mauritius Branch Campus), 25 November 2016.
4. Drinking Behaviour in a Small Island Economy: A Gender Perspective, 9th Edition of the UoM Research Week 2016, September 2016.
5. 'Foreign Labour in the Manufacturing Sector in Mauritius' Third International Conference on Global Business, Economics, Finance and Social Sciences Conference, 17-22 December 2014 Mumbai
6. 'Foreign Direct Investment and Foreign Aid in Sub Saharan Africa' 7th Edition of the UoM Research Week 2014, September 2014.
7. 'Foreign Labour in the Manufacturing Sector in Mauritius' 7th Edition of the UoM Research Week 2014, September 2014.
8. 'Persistent Youth Unemployment and High Demand for Foreign Workers in Mauritius: Explaining the Paradox' OSSREA Mauritius Chapter Academic Workshop on Employment Policies and Strategies, October 2013.
9. 'High Fertility in Africa: Is Economic Growth the Best Contraception?' 6th Edition of the UoM Research Week 2013, September 2013.
10. 'Non-Tariff Barriers Within the COMESA Region: The Possibility of a Penalty System' 3rd International Conference on International Trade and Investment - 'Non-Tariff Measures: The New Frontier of Trade Policy?', Le Meridien Hotel, Mauritius, September 2013.
11. 'Youth Unemployment in Mauritius: The Ticking Bomb', The International Conference on Economic, Finance and Management Outlooks 5-6 October, 2013, Pearl International Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
12. 'Regional Integration for Development' Workshop on Regional Integration and Development, November 2012, Berlin, Germany.
13. 'Exchange Rate Pass Through to Consumer Prices: Evidence for Mauritius' paper presented at the Second UoM-WCP International Conference on International Trade and Investment, Meridien, October 2012.
14. The Performance Gap – A Small Enterprise Phenomenon for Mauritius", UoM Research Week 2012, University of Mauritius, September 2012.
15. 'FDI and Trade: Substitutes or Complements', UoM Research Week 2012, University of Mauritius, September 2012.
16. WTO Chairs Annual Conference Geneva, June 2012.
17. 'Foreign Firms and Exports in the Manufacturing Sector: Evidence for Mauritius', The National Conference (FDI) - ISITECH Business School, April 2012.
18. 'Phasing Out of the MFA: Impact on Women Workers in the Mauritian EPZ Sector', First UoM-WCP International Conference on International Trade and Investment, Meridien, December 2011.
19. 'The Social Protection System in Mauritius: Myth or Reality' (with H. Kasseeah); 'Rethinking Development through a Gender Lens' (with D. Gokulsing) UoM Research Week 2011, University of Mauritius, September 2011.
20. 'A Preliminary Analysis of the Impact of Climate Change on Agriculture in Mauritius' (with Riad Sultan and R. Oomah), UoM Research Week 2011, University of Mauritius, September 2011.
21. 'Phasing Out of the MFA: Impact on Women Workers in the Mauritian EPZ Sector', Biennial Conference of the Economic Society of South Africa, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa, September 2011.

22. 'Regional Conference on 'Three Decades of Public Sector Reform in sub-Saharan Africa' July 2011, Harare, Zimbabwe.
23. 'Surviving the Financial Crisis: Evidence from Exporting Firms in Sub Saharan Countries', The International Conference 'Impacts, Responses and Initial Lessons, of the Financial Crisis for Low Income Countries', October 2010, The Danish Institute for International Studies in Copenhagen, Denmark.
24. 'China-Mauritius Trade Relations', AERC Regional Dissemination Conference on China-Africa Economic Relations, Hilton Hotel, September, 2010, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
25. 'Internet Banking: A Customer- Centric Perspective for Mauritius Internet Banking', The 'International Research Symposium on Service Management', August 2010 Meridien Hotel, Mauritius.
26. 'The Services Sector and Economic Growth in Mauritius: A Bounds Testing Approach to Cointegration', UoM Research Week 2009-2010: Sustainable Green Intelligent Innovative Island, February 2010, University of Mauritius, Reduit, Mauritius
27. 'Facing the Global Financial Crisis - Policy Lessons from Small Mauritius' paper presented at the AERC International Conference, 'Rethinking African Economic Policy in Light of the Global Economic and Financial Crisis', December 2009, Nairobi, Kenya.
28. 'The Impact of Exporting and Export Destination on Manufacturing Wages: Evidence for Sub-Saharan Africa' November 2008, UNCTAD workshop.
29. 'Gender Mainstreaming for Sustainable Development', UoM Research Week-2008: Sustainable Development and Innovation, September 2008, University of Mauritius, Reduit, Mauritius
30. 'Climate Change, Poverty and Economic Growth in Africa, UoM Research Week-2008, Sustainable Development and Innovation, September 2008, University of Mauritius, Reduit, Mauritius.
31. 'Business Process Outsourcing in the Mauritian Public Sector', The Business Process Outsourcing Annual Conference, June 2006, University of Technology, Pointes aux Sables, Mauritius.
32. 'Foreign Ownership, Exports and African Wages', The ESRC Research Seminar Series: International Trade and Labour Markets, April 2005, University of Nottingham, Nottingham.
33. 'The Role of Exports in the Determination of African Wages', paper presented at the Development Studies Association (DSA) Annual Conference, September 2003, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow.

OTHER PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOP ATTENDANCE

1. AERC CMAP Academic Board – 19-21 November 2014, Uganda
2. Consultative Workshop on "How Bad is Alcohol Abuse in Rodrigues?" - 12-14 November 2014, Malabar Training Centre, Rodrigues
3. Workshop on the National Minimum Wage in Mauritius – 15-16 October 2014, Mauritius
4. National Working Groups Research Methodology Workshop - 03-04 July 2014, Dakar, Senegal.
5. WTO-ACP Conference - ACP Post-MC9 Reflections Meeting 22-24 January 2014 WTO Secretariat, Rue de Lausanne 154, 1202 Geneva
6. AERC Subject Specialist Workshop (Microeconomics) – 4-6 February 2014, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
7. Trade Facilitation Implementation Plan Workshop, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade in collaboration with UNCTAD/ITC, Le Labourdonnais Hotel, Port-Louis, on 17 and 18 June 2014
8. WCP-UoM/UNCTAD/DITC Trade in Services Workshop to be held from 16- 18 October 2013 at Flying Dodo
9. AERC Subject Specialist Workshop for CMAP: JFE Modules – AERC, Nairobi, April 2012
10. WTO Chairs Annual Conference Geneva, 21st June 2011.
11. AERC Biannual Research Workshop, Mombasa, Kenya, 27th November – 02nd December 2010
12. One Day Workshop on 'Engaging with the Dragon: China's Global Ascendancy and Its Implications for Mauritius', La Plantation Hotel on 16th September 2010.

13. Subject Specialist Workshop for CMAP: JFE Modules – AERC, Nairobi Kenya, June 2009 7th Biannual Research and Training Workshop – Biofuel Production – CEEPA, Cape Town, South Africa, May 2009
14. UNCTAD Workshop – ‘Teaching and research of Economic and Legal Aspects of International Investment Agreements’ – Uganda, November 2008
15. Subject Specialist Workshop for CMAP: JFE Modules – AERC, Arusha Tanzania, June 2008
16. ‘Circuit Hydrotouristique dans la Région du Vakinankaratra’, project presented at the Doctoriales 2005, June 2005, Madagascar
17. ‘Foreign Ownership, Exports and Wages’, work presented at the University of Mauritius Seminar Series, January 2004
18. ‘Trade and Labour Perspectives on Worker Turnover’, University of Nottingham, June 2003, Second Annual Postgraduate Conference, University of Nottingham, April 2003
19. ‘The Determinants of Foreign Direct Investment in Sub Saharan Africa’, work presented at the University of Mauritius Seminar Series, May 2002

ONLINE COURSES

1. Trade and Gender in SADC – Vi UNCTAD Online Course (2018)
2. Joint FAO/UNITAR e-Learning Course on "Developing Gender-sensitive Value Chains" (2018)
3. UN Women Course- Care Economy (2017)
4. Economic Analysis of NTMs - Vi UNCTAD Online Course (2016)
5. ECA / UNITAR Course on “Economic Report on Africa 2015: Industrialization through Trade” (2016)
6. Trade and Gender: Vi UNCTAD Online Course (January- March 2015)
7. NTMs: Vi UNCTAD Online Course (September – October 2014)
8. Trade and Poverty: Vi UNCTAD Online Course (August – November 2012)
9. Advanced Poverty Analysis: Impact of the Global Financial Crisis on the Poor- Internet Course - World Bank Institute (November 2009 – January 2010)
10. Trade and Gender Internet Course – World Bank Institute (January – February 2009)

SCHOLARSHIPS/AWARDS

1998-1999, Masters Bursary, University of Nottingham, School of Economics

2001-2004, PhD Scholarship, Tertiary Education Commission

2002-2003, Commonwealth Split-doctoral Scholarship (tenable at the University of Nottingham)

2005, Award for Best Innovation Project, Doctoriales 2005, Madagascar

2005, Award for Best Group Communication, Doctoriales 2005, Madagascar

PHD SUPERVISION

1. The Impact of Economic Crisis on Employment and Income Distribution in Sub-Saharan African Economies – Suneila Gokool
2. Migration in Mauritius – Arsha Roopchand
3. Women Empowerment and Poverty Alleviation: Micro Evidence for Sub Saharan Africa – Anjdilee Taka

4. An Analysis of Poverty, Informality and Pro-Poor Growth in Mauritius - Seechurn Sanroy
5. National Minimum Wage: Labour Market Dynamics and Poverty Impacts in Mauritius - Varuna Dreepaul

PHD – EXTERNAL EXAMINER

1. Bharathidasan University, India – A Study On Socio Economic Conditions Of People Engaged In Marine Fisheries Of Pudukkottai District, Tamil Nadu
2. University of Adelaide, Australia - How can global food security challenges be addressed in a MTS?
3. University of Johannesburg – South Africa - Essays On Trade Policy Reforms, Firm Distribution And Environmentally Friendly Growth In South Africa