

Education

PhD in Economics (2014)

University of Groningen, The Netherlands

Thesis - "Resource Misallocation and Aggregate Productivity"

Supervisors - Professor Marcel Timmer and Professor Robert Inklaar

MSc in Environmental Economics and Policy (2008)

Wageningen University, The Netherlands

Specialization in Environmental Policy and Development Economics

BA in Business Management (2005)

Jimma University, Ethiopia

Research & Teaching Positions

Rubenstein Research Fellow — Brookings Institution (2019— Present)

Global Economy and Development Program

Adjunct Lecturer — Addis Ababa University (2019— Present)

School of Commerce, PhD Program in Business Leadership

Lecturer of "Quantitative Research Methods" course

Post-doctoral Fellow — Simon Fraser University (2018 — 2019)

Research project: *Economic diversification in resource rich countries*

Post-doctoral Fellow — Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University (2015— 2018)

Project: *Inclusive business for inclusive development in Africa*

Lecturer — University of Groningen (2014— 2015)

Global Economics and Management Department

Courses taught: International Business & Economics; Intermediate Research Methods; Culture & Economics

PhD Candidate — University of Groningen (2009— 2014)

Global Economics and Management Department

Visiting Positions

Visiting Scholar— The International Monetary Fund

March - April, 2019

Visiting Scholar —The University of Queensland, Centre for Efficiency and Productivity Analysis

September - December, 2012

Grants and Scholarships

Visiting Scholar Fellowship, The IMF and the African Economic Research Consortium -- AERC (2019)

Research Grant: "Power Outage & Firm Performance", AERC. USD 12,500. (2018)

PhD Project Grant: Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research -- NWO. Euro 210,000. (2010-2014)

IHDP: Writing Contest for Dimensions Magazine (Theme: "Beyond GDP"), second prize winner (2013)

IARIW: Travel Grant for attending the International Association for Research in Income and Wealth (IARIW) general conference. USD 2,000. (2012)

Wageningen University: M.Sc. Scholarship: tuition waiver & monthly stipend (2006-2008)

Published Articles

Lashitew, A.A., van Tulder, R. & Liasse, Y. (2019). Mobile Phones for Financial Inclusion: What Explains the Diffusion of Mobile Money Innovations? *Research Policy*, 48(5), 1201-1215.

Lashitew, A.A. & van Tulder, R. (2019). The Limits and Promises of Embeddedness as a Strategy for Social Value Creation. *Critical Perspectives on International Business*. December 2018.

Lashitew, A.A., Bals, L. & van Tulder, R. (2018). Inclusive Business at the Base of the Pyramid: The Role of Embeddedness for Enabling Social Innovations. *Journal of Business Ethics*, 1-28.

Krammer, S. M., Strange, R., & Lashitew, A. (2018). The Export Performance of Emerging Economy Firms: The Influence of Firm Capabilities and Institutional Environments. *International Business Review*, 27(1), 218-230.

Lashitew, A. A. (2017). The Uneven Effect of Financial Constraints: Size, Public Ownership, and Firm Investment in Ethiopia. *World Development*, 97, 178-198.

Inklaar, R., Lashitew, A. A. & Timmer, M. P. (2017). The Role of Resource Misallocation in Cross-country Differences in Manufacturing Productivity. *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, 21(3), 733-756.

Lashitew, A. A. (2016). Employment Protection and Misallocation of Resources across Plants: International Evidence. *CESifo Economic Studies*, 62 (3), 453-490.

Lashitew, A. A. (2014). The Effect of Political Connections on Credit Access: Does the Level of Financial Development Matter? *Kyklos*, 67(2), 227-254.

Lashitew, A. A. (2011). Competition between food and biofuel production in Ethiopia: a partial equilibrium analysis. *Biofuels*, 2(6), 611-627.

Books and Book Chapters

- Lashitew, A.A. & van Tulder, R. (2019). Why Do Firms Choose to Fight Poverty? The Motives Behind Inclusive Business Practices in Africa. In J. Muthuri et al. (Ed) *Base of the Pyramid Markets in Africa: Innovation and Challenges to Sustainability*. Routledge.
- Lashitew, A. A. & Wall, R. (2018). Drivers of FDI Inflows into Sub-Saharan African Cities. In: *State of African Cities Report*. Nairobi: United Nations Human Settlements Programme.
- Lashitew, A. A. & van Tulder, R. (2017). Inclusive Business in Africa: Priorities, Strategies and Challenges. In C. U. Uche (Ed) *African Entrepreneurship Dynamics*. Leiden: Brill Publishers.
- Lashitew, A. A. (2014). *Resource Misallocation and Aggregate Productivity* (PhD Dissertation). Groningen: University of Groningen. ISBN: 978-90-367-7440-6.

Articles under Review

- Lashitew, A.A., Branzei, O. & van Tulder, R. Advancing Strategic Inclusion in High Poverty Contexts: The Role of Social Purpose and Strategic Frames.
- Lashitew, A.A., van Tulder, R. & Muche, L. What Drives of Social Value Creation? A Business Model Perspective.
- Bapuji, H., Krammer, S. M. S. & Lashitew, A. A. No Firm Is an Island: Income Inequality and Crime against Businesses.
- Lashitew, A.A., Ross, M. & Werker, E. Economic Diversification in Resource Rich Countries: What Can We Learn from the Experiences of Best Performing Countries?
- Lashitew, A.A. & Werker, E. The Effects of Resource Abundance and Resource Dependence on Economic Development: Assessing the Direct and Indirect Channels.
- Lashitew, A.A., Rosca, E. Narayan, So. & Bals, L. Social Value Creation at the Base of the Pyramid: Review of the Literature.

Technical Skills

Software

Modelling and simulation: GAMS, MATLAB, R
Statistical software: STATA, E-Views, SPSS
Qualitative data analysis: Nvivo, Atlas.ti

Language Skills

Amharic (native), English (proficient), Dutch (intermediate)