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RESEARCH INTEREST

- Institutional Structures
- Economic Development and Growth
- Environmental Economics
- Financial Markets and Institutions

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

PhD (Economics and Finance) **Institute of Economics Studies, Charles University, Prague**
October 2022 - Present

Master of Commerce (Finance) **University of Cape Coast, Ghana**
September 2018 – March 2021

GSE Financial Securities Certification **Ghana Stock Exchange**
September 2018

Trainee Accountant (Level 3) **Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)**
December 2020 - Present

Bachelor of Commerce **University of Cape Coast, Ghana**
August 2013 to May 2017

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate **PricewaterhouseCoopers, Czech Republic**
Treasury Advisory
January 2023 to Present

1. Conduct the valuation of financial instruments using Bloomberg and Reuters terminals and perform the existence testing of derivatives.
2. Review hedge accounting practices, contributing to improved financial risk management
3. Support the preparation of hedge documentation and effectiveness testing under IFRS 9
4. Work on diverse projects related to Energy, Real Estate and Banks.

Teaching Assistantship **Charles University**
(Asset Pricing, Health Economics, Financial Markets,
Applied Banking and Finance, Corporate Finance) **Institute of Economic Studies**
October 2022 to Present

1. Overseeing the design and delivery of seminar teaching materials
2. Delivering weekly seminars
3. Setting and marking student's assignments including resubmissions
4. Ensuring the maintenance of learning materials (Textbooks, seminar slides, and suggested solutions) on the online learning environment site.
5. Organize weekly PhD seminar for the Applied Banking and Finance group

Senior Planning Officer **Driver and Vehicle Licensing Authority, Ghana**
Planning Monitoring and Evaluation Division (PME)
May 2022 to September 2022

1. Led a team of five (5) planning officers in a newly established Public Investment Unit (PIU) of the PME Division.
2. Facilitated the preparation and review of the Feasibility study of a Public Private Partnership (PPP) Project, the Driving Simulator project.
3. Led the Public Investment Unit (PIU) in the preparation and approval of five (5) Investment Projects for implementation.
4. Developed Project Monitoring and Project Performance Templates for the Authority.
5. Actively involved in the implementation of three (3) World Bank projects for the Authority

1. Actively involved in the Public Investment Management (PIM) Process of projects for selection into the Annual Budget of Ghana.
2. Coded about 79,000 appraised projects for consideration by the Public Investment Program Working Committee (PIPWC).
3. Reviewed Project Concept Paper and Project Feasibility Report on projects to assess their viability for effective implementation.
4. Collaborated with covered entities to facilitate the capacity building of staff on public investment management processes and Regulations.
5. Prepared analytical reports based on project information to inform decision-making on policy planning and budget management.
6. Undertake the Economic and Financial Appraisal of capital projects by applying the Cost-Benefit Analysis (CBA) and Cost-Effectiveness Analysis (CEA) tools.

Administrative Assistant**University of Cape Coast
Department of Finance
September 2017 to August 2018**

1. Assisted in the introduction of new finance courses: B.Com Financial Engineering and MSc. Public Financial Management, by preparing the course structure and content for both courses.
2. Reviewed all BCom Finance programme documents and updated them for re-accreditation by the National Accreditation Board.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Eshun, S. F., & Kocenda, E. (2025). *What Really Drives Financial Inclusion? Evidence from a Meta-Analysis of 3,817 Estimates* (No. 2025/14). Charles University Prague, Faculty of Social Sciences, Institute of Economic Studies.
- Eshun, S. F., & Kočenda, E. (2025). Determinants of financial inclusion in sub-Saharan Africa and OECD countries. *Borsa Istanbul Review*, 25(1), 34-56.
- Eshun, S. F., & Kočenda, E. (2025). Money talks, green walks: Does financial inclusion promote green sustainability in Africa? *Global Finance Journal*, 64, 101070.
- Eshun, S.F., Kocenda, E., Okwoche, P., Scasny, M., (2025). Price and Income Elasticities of Industrial Energy Demand in New EU Member States (work in progress).
- Master's Thesis - Determinants of Mutual Fund Performance in Ghana (*March 2021*)

BOOKS, BLOG POSTS, CHAPTERS IN BOOKS, AND PROCEEDINGS

- Eshun, S. F., & Kočenda, E. (2025, June 29). *Determinants of financial inclusion in Sub-Saharan Africa and OECD countries*. Africa Finance Forum Blog. Making Finance Work for Africa (MFW4A). <https://www.mfw4a.org/blog/determinants-financial-inclusion-sub-saharan-africa-and-oecd-countries>
- Eshun, S. F., & Kocenda, E. (2023). Money talk, green walks: Does financial inclusion promote green sustainability in Africa? In P. Sauer (Ed.), *Proceedings of the 25th Annual Conference on Environmental Economics, Policy and International Relations* (pp. 43-48). Prague, Czech Republic: H.R.G. spol.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES AND WORKSHOPS

2025

- 2nd International Conference on African Development (iCAD, 2025), Aston University, Birmingham, United Kingdom

2024

- 13th Biennial Conference of the Czech Economic Society, Prague University of Economics and Business (VŠE), Prague, Czech Republic
- 25th Annual Conference on Environmental Economics, Policy and International Relations, Prague University of Economics and Business, Czech Republic
- 10th annual Doctoral Students Conference at the University of Finance and Administration, Prague, Czech Republic
- 2024 Slovak Economic Association Meeting (SEAM 2024), Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia
- 2024 E3ME-FTT Summer School, Cambridge Econometrics, Budapest

2023

- 24th Annual Conference on Finance and Accounting, University of Economics, Prague, Czech Republic
- 2023 Slovak Economic Association Meeting (SEAM 2023), Matej Bel University, Banská Bystrica, Slovakia

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Member, University of Cape Coast Timetable Committee

September 2019 – July 2020

RELATED SKILLS AND COMPETENCE

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| • Research and Presentation Skills | • Data Analysis – R, Stata and Eviews |
| • Financial Statement Analysis | • Financial & Economic Modelling |
| • Microsoft Office – Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Microsoft Power BI | • Valuation of Financial Instruments |
| • Econometrics & Macroeconomics | • Hedge Accounting and Hedge Effectiveness |

REFERENCES

Available upon request