



ECONOMICS, FINANCE, CONTROL & LAW

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## Biography

Ahmed Imran has almost one and a half decades of teaching experience in Finance and Quantitative Methods across a large number of universities internationally. His current area of research interest is in the domain of corporate finance, with a strong passion for topics related to the integrity and reputation of corporations, such as transparency, accountability, responsibility, fairness, and sustainability. He is a prolific author and has published in a broad range of highly cited international research journals, including *International Review of Financial Analysis*, *Journal of International Financial Markets, Institutions & Money*, *Pacific Basin Finance Journal*, *Global Finance Journal*, *Finance Research Letters*, *International Review of Economics & Finance*, *Technological Forecasting & Social Change*, *Journal of Environmental Management*, *Economic Modelling*, *International Journal of Finance & Economics*, *Research in International Business & Finance*, *Quarterly Review of Economics & Finance* among others.

Ahmed Imran is an Associate Editor of *Research in International Business and Finance*, a senior area editor of *International Journal of Emerging Markets*, and sits on the Editorial Board of several ABS & ABDC indexed journals. He won the "Best Researcher Award-2023" from Rabat Business School, Morocco, the "Best Conference Paper Award" in the 7th WIEFC-2024, the "Outstanding Reviewer Award-2021 & 2023" by Emerald Literati, the "Distinguished Reviewer Award-2021" by Virtus Interpress, and the "Best Paper Award-2022 & 2023" by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI). He also received the International Research Award and the "Best University Teacher Award-2020" from PMAS-Arid Agriculture University Rawalpindi, Pakistan. Ahmed Imran has supervised 7 PhDs and over seventy MS/MPhil scholars to successful completion.

## Education

- 2018: Post-Doctorate, The University of Waikato, New Zealand
  - 2015: PhD (Finance), Iqra University, Pakistan
  - 2017: MSc. (Economics), Allama Iqbal Open University, Pakistan
  - 2010: MS (Finance), Iqra University, Pakistan
  - 2008: MBA (Finance), Iqra University, Pakistan
  - 2006: BSc. (Mathematics & Economics), Bahauddin Zakariya University, Pakistan
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## Teaching Areas

- Corporate Finance
  - Financial Management
  - Valuation
  - Econometrics
  - Advanced Analytical Techniques
  - Research Methodology
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## Research Areas

- Corporate Finance
- Corporate Governance
- Green Finance
- Sustainable Finance
- Sustainable Development
- Social Finance
- Sustainability

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## Professional experiences

Ahmed Imran is currently working as an Associate Professor of Finance at IPAG Business School, Paris, France. Prior to join IPAG Business School, Ahmed has worked as an Associate Professor at Rabat Business School, Morocco and Ghazi University, Dera Ghazi Khan, Pakistan and Assistant Professor & Head of Finance Cluster at the University Institute of Management Sciences -PMAS- Arid Agriculture University Rawalpindi, Pakistan. Ahmed has over last fifteen years teaching and research experience. Ahmed's graduation is in Mathematics and Economics. Ahmed earned his MBA, MS & PhD (Finance) from Iqra University, Pakistan. Besides of this, he has a Master in Economics from Allama Iqbal Open University, Pakistan. Furthermore, Ahmed has completed his Post-Doctoral Fellowship in October 2018 at The University of Waikato, New Zealand. Ahmed's current research interest are in the domain of corporate finance, corporate governance, green finance, sustainable finance. Ahmed has worked in a number of well-reputed international universities as a permanent & adjunct faculty member, research advisor and external examiner at MBA, MS/MPhil. DBA & PhD levels. Given his professional zeal, and scholarly outlook, Ahmed has already supervised 07 PhDs and over seventy MS/MPhil scholars to the successful culmination of their degrees. Ahmed has published in economics & finance leading journals. He is Associate Editor of Research in International Business and Finance and a senior area editor of International Journal of Emerging Markets and sit on the Editorial Board of several ABS & ABDC indexed journals. Ahmed is a regular referee of over fifty top ranked journals i.e. International Review of Financial Analysis, Journal of International Financial Markets, Institution & Money, Pacific Basin Finance Journal, Global Finance Journal, Finance Research Letters, International Review of Economics & Finance, Technological Forecasting & Social Change, Journal of Environmental Management, Economic Modelling, International Journal of Finance & Economics, Research in International Business & Finance, Quarterly Review of Economics & Finance among others. Furthermore, Ahmed has participated in many international conferences as a Co-Chair, Session Chair, Discussant and Presenter and delivered Key-Note in the conferences. Ahmed won the "Best Researcher Award-2023" from Rabat Business School, Morocco, "Best Conference Paper Award" in 7th WIEFC-2024, "Outstanding Reviewer Award-2021 & 2023" by Emerald Literati, the "Distinguished Reviewer Award-2021" by Virtus Interpress, "Best Paper Award-2022 & 2023" by The Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (ICAI), International Research Award and the "Best University Teacher Award-2020" from PMAS-Arid Agriculture University Rawalpindi, Pakistan. Ahmed has also won the Thematic Research Grant-2017 having the worth of Rs. 4.0/- million by HEC Pakistan. Ahmed has also received a scholarship for his Post-Doctoral Research from Punjab Higher Commission (PHEC) Pakistan in 2017. He is also associated with different International Research Societies. Ahmed's research orientation, and sound analytical skills have been further strengthening by his ability in Statistical Package of Social Sciences (SPSS), AMOS, Eviews, Stata, and Smart-PLS.

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2. Hunjra, A. I., Azam, M., Verhovren, P., Taskin, D., Dia, J. (2024). The Impact of Geopolitical Risk and Institutional Governance on Attaining Net-Zero Carbon Emission. *Journal of Environmental Management*, 359: 120927. (CNRS: 3, FNEGE: 2, ABS: 3, & ABDC: A). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2024.120927>
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8. Hunjra, A. I., Azam, M., and Al-Faryan, M. A. S. (2022). The nexus between climate change risk and financial policy uncertainty, *International Journal of Finance and Economics*, 29, 1401-1416. (CNRS: 3, FNEGE: 3, ABS: 3, ABDC: B). <https://doi.org/10.1002/ijfe.2739>
9. Hunjra, A. I., Kijkasiwat, P., Arunachalam, M. and Hammami, H. (2021). Covid-19 health policy intervention and volatility of Asian capital markets, *Technological Forecasting and Social Change*, 169: 120840 (CNRS: , FNEGE: 2, ABS: 3, ABDC: A). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.techfore.2021.120840>
10. Wellalage, H. N., Hunjra, A. I., Manita, R. and Locke. S. (2021) Information communication technology and financial inclusion of innovative entrepreneurs. *Technological Forecasting and Social Change*, 163: 120416 (CNRS: 2, FNEGE: 2, ABS: 3, ABDC: A). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.techfore.2020.120416>

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