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Research Interests

My research interests encompass corporate governance, biodiversity impact and reporting, environmental policies, audit committees, financial technologies (FinTechs) and gender diversity.

Book Chapter

- **Abbasi, K.**, Alam, A., Brohi, N. A., Nasim, S., Fiza, M., & Brohi, I. A. (2023). FinTechs and SMEs' cash holdings: Evidence from OECD countries. In: Walker, T., Nikbakht, E., Kooli, M. (eds) *The Fintech Disruption* (pp. 329–347). Palgrave Studies in Financial Services Technology. Palgrave Macmillan, Cham.

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Publications

- **Abbasi, K.**, Alam, A., Goodell, J. W., Du, A. M., & Brohi, N. A. (2025). Vulnerability of energy firms to climate risk: Does fintech development help? *Energy Economics*, 108516.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eneco.2025.108516>
- **Abbasi, K.**, Alam, A., Bhuiyan, M. B. U., & Islam, T. (2024). Does female director expertise on audit committees matter for carbon disclosures? Evidence from the United Kingdom. *Journal of International Accounting, Auditing and Taxation*, Vol. 55.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.intaccaudtax.2024.100618>
- **Abbasi, K.**, Alam, A., Brohi, N. A., & Nasim, S. (2023). Further evidence on non-audit fees: using the context of female directors on audit committees. *Journal of Financial Reporting and Accounting*.
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- Alam, A., Du, A. M., Rahman, M., Yazdifar, H., & **Abbasi, K.** (2022). SMEs respond to climate change: Evidence from developing countries. *Technological Forecasting and Social Change*, Vol. 185.
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- **Abbasi, K.**, Alam, A., Brohi, N. A., Brohi, I. A., & Nasim, S. (2021). P2P lending Fintechs and SMEs' access to finance. *Economics Letters*, Vol. 204.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econlet.2021.109890>
- **Abbasi, K.**, Alam, A., Du, M., & Huynh, T. L. D. (2021). FinTech, SMEs efficiency and national culture: Evidence from OECD countries. *Technological Forecasting and Social Change*, Vol. 163.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.techfore.2020.120454>
- **Abbasi, K.**, Alam, A., & Bhuiyan, M. B. U. (2020). Audit committees, female directors and the types of female and male financial experts: Further evidence. *Journal of Business Research*, Vol. 114, 186–197.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbusres.2020.04.013>
- Wang, Y., **Abbasi, K.**, Babajide, B., & Yekini, K. (2019). Corporate governance mechanisms and firm performance: Evidence from the emerging market following the revised CG code. *Corporate Governance: The International Journal of Business in Society*, Vol. 20 (1), 158–174.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1108/CG-07-2018-0244>

Education

- PhD, University of Salford (UK), 2019 – Business & Management
- Master of Arts, 'Merit' classification, University of Huddersfield (UK), 2015 – Accounting and Finance
- 'First Class' Bachelor of Science (Honours), Oxford Brookes University (UK), 2012 – Applied Accounting
- Passed all exams of ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountant) (UK) in 2012.

- A' Level (University of Cambridge International Examinations), 2008 – Accounting (A) 96%, Economics (A) 95%, Business Studies (B) 88%.
- O' Level (University of Cambridge International Examinations), 2006 – 6As & 2Bs

Experience

September/October 2026 – Present

Humboldt Research Fellow at TU Dresden, Germany; Chair for Business Administration, esp. Environmental Management, Prof. Dr. Remmer Sassen.

October 2020 – Present

Assistant Professor at the Department of Management Sciences & Technology, The Begum Nusrat Bhutto Women University, Sukkur, Pakistan.

Degree courses taught: Principles of Accounting, Management Accounting, Financial Accounting, Financial Reporting & Analysis, Introduction to Business Finance, Financial Management, Managerial Decision-Making, Corporate Finance & Valuation, and Risk Management.

ACCA Program Coordinator: Led the launch of ACCA (UK) Scholarship program. Teaching ACCA courses (Management Information, Managing Costs and Finance, Management Accounting, Financial Accounting).

Supervision of undergraduate research projects.

Administration: Member of the Board of Faculty (responsible for advising and discussing degree courses taught in the Department of Management Sciences & Technology).

Awards

- Awarded Humboldt Research Fellowship in Germany.
- Honored by ACCA for achieving highest marks in Pakistan for paper F9 (Financial Management).
- Received 'Certificate of Achievement' for all three papers of knowledge module in ACCA, namely Financial Accounting, Management Accounting and Accountant in Business.
- Master dissertation awarded 'A' grade.
- Awarded Seal of Excellence for the research project submitted under the MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship program.

Other Key Academic Merits

Conference Presentations:

- FinTech, SMEs efficiency and national culture: Evidence from OECD countries (presented at the International Conference on the Contemporary Issues in Finance, Trade and Macroeconomy (ICOFINT'20)).
- Female CEOs and readability of CFO report (presented at the International Conference on Quality Assurance in Higher Education).

Reviewer / External Examiner:

- Master dissertations, Accounting and Finance, Sukkur IBA University.
- Reviewed a research grant application and PhD thesis for Qatar University and Swinburne Institute of Technology, Australia respectively.
- Reviewer for ABS 3 journals such as Journal of Cleaner Production and British Accounting Review.