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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies

DATE OF BIRTH: 12th April 1974

NATIONALITY: Portuguese

LANGUAGES: English (fluent), Urdu/Hindi (native), Pushto (native), Portuguese (basic), Punjabi (basic).

THEMATIC EXPERTISE: Inclusive politics, inequality, democratisation, local governance, social trust, informal institutions, and the political economy of public policy and service delivery

GEOGRAPHICAL EXPERTISE: South Asia and the Western Balkans

OVERVIEW

Shandana Khan Mohmand is a Research Fellow at the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), University of Sussex, with over 18 years of experience in interdisciplinary and comparative research; teaching and training; and policy analysis. Her main area of interest is inclusive politics, inequality, accountability and the political economy of public policy and service delivery, focused around empirical analyses of democratisation, local governance, political participation, social trust, and informal institutions.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2011 **PhD, Development Studies**
Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK

2002 **MA, Governance and Development**
Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK

2001 **MA, Sustainable International Development**
Heller School for Social Policy and Management, Brandeis University, USA

1997 **BA (Hons), Political Science and Economics**
McGill University, Canada

RECORD OF EMPLOYMENT

2012 – PRESENT **Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies, UK**
Shandana has been the lead of the Governance Research Cluster since 2019, and the lead of the IDS Pakistan Mutual Learning Hub since 2019.

2002 – 2007 **Teaching Fellow, Lahore University of Management Sciences, Pakistan**

1998 – 2000 **Research Associate, United Nations Development Program, Pakistan**

SELECTED RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020 – PRESENT **Co-Principal Investigator, SuPWR programme, IDS, UK**

ESRC Large Research Grant on 'Sustaining Power: Women's struggles against contemporary backlash in South Asia'.

- 2019 – PRESENT** **Lead Researcher, Trust and Governance programme, IDS, UK**
Pakistan case study on 'Inequality, Trust and Tax Compliance' in ESRC Research Grant on 'Inequality and governance in unstable democracies: The mediating role of trust'.
- 2020 – PRESENT** **Principal investigator, Covid Collective, IDS, UK**
Project on 'Informality and Trust in times of Covid-19' in Pakistan within the Covid Collective (Funded by FCDO).
- 2020 – PRESENT** **Principal investigator, Incentivising Responsiveness in Local Governance, IDS, UK**
Experimental project looking at the determinants of citizen engagement and local government responsiveness in Kosovo (Funded by Helvetas).
- 2016 – 2021** **Principal Investigator, Gendered Contentions in Fragile, Conflict- and Violence-Affected Settings, A4EA-IDS, UK**
Multi-method experimental study of pathways to increasing women's political participation in Pakistan (Funded by the Action for Empowerment and Accountability programme, IDS-DFID).
- 2019** **Principal Investigator, Political Economy of Local Governance, SDC-IDS, UK**
Political economy study of local economic development in Serbia (Funded by the Swiss Development Cooperation).
- 2018** **Lead Researcher, Closing Civic Spaces, IDS, UK**
Pakistan country study for project on measuring the impact of closing civic space on development (Funded by DFID).
- 2017** **Principal Investigator, Political Economy of Local Governance, IDS, UK**
Political economy and power analysis assessment of local governance in Albania (Funded by Helvetas).
- 2016 – 2017** **Lead Researcher, Making All Voices Count Programme, IDS, UK**
Study of responsiveness and competition in urban local government councils in Pakistan (Funded by the multi-donor Making All Voices Count programme).
- 2015 – 2016** **Research Coordinator, Interrogating Decentralisation in Africa, IDS-PASGR UK**
Multi-country, multi-method study on the impact of decentralisation on local public services in Africa (Funded by Partnership for African Social and Governance Research).
- 2014 – 2015** **Principal Investigator, Political Economy of Local Governance, SDC-IDS, UK**
Quasi-experimental study of the impact of informal institutions on local governance and service delivery in Bosnia and Herzegovina (Funded by Swiss Development Cooperation).
- 2012 – 2013** **Principal Investigator, Political Economy of Local Governance, SDC-IDS, UK**
Political economy analyses of decentralisation in the Western Balkans (Serbia and Macedonia) (Funded by Swiss Development Cooperation).
- 2006 – 2010** **Principal Investigator & Project coordinator, State Capacity Project, LUMS, Pakistan**
Comparative study of informal institutions and state capacity in India and Pakistan (Funded by the Centre for the Future State, IDS).
- 2005 – 2007** **Research collaborator, RISEPAK (Research and Information Systems for the Earthquake in Pakistan), LUMS, Pakistan.**
Stockholm Award-winning web site to coordinate relief and rehabilitation efforts after the 2005 earthquake in northern Pakistan.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING EXPERIENCE

- 2019** Course on Research Design and Innovative Research Methodologies for revenue authorities in Uganda and Rwanda
- 2017** Course on Innovative Research Methodologies for university faculty in Albania

- 2014 – 2017** **Research Coordinator, Evidence and Learning from Latin America (ELLA) programme, IDS, UK**
Research design and capacity building component of a comparative policy research programme on evidence and learning between Africa and Latin America
- 2011 – 2015** **Lead, Multi-Methods Research Course (MMRC), IDS, UK**
Multi-method training programme composed of 10 different modules for mid-career faculty in African universities (co-delivered with Partnership for African Social and Governance Research). Advisory position with programme until 2018 as it transitioned to the PASGR Advanced Research Methods Institute.
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SELECTED TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2012 – PRESENT** **Institute of Development Studies, UK**
Convenes the MA course on 'Democracy and Public Policy'; the MA course on 'Research Design'; and the doctoral workshop on Research Design. She also supervises doctoral candidates and co-teaches on other modules on public policy.
- 2002 – 2007** **Lahore University of Management Sciences, Pakistan**
Taught on the Politics and Economics undergraduate major in the School of Humanities and Social Sciences.
- 2000** **Brandeis University, USA**
Tutored for the 'Development Economics – Poverty' MA course.
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SELECTED INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCES

Invited Talks

- 2021** Workshop on gender and politics in South Asia, University of California, Berkeley
2021 Book talks at University of California, Berkeley; and Pakistan Institute of Development Economics.
2020 Sussex Development Lecture
2019 Book talks at Yale University; Brown University; University of Pennsylvania; Johns Hopkins University; Saint Joseph's University; King's College London; and Lahore University of Management Sciences.

Conferences

- 2021** Political Science Association (PSA) Annual Meeting
2021 Development Studies Association (DSA) Annual Meeting
2020 European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Meeting
2020, 2019, 2018 American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meetings
2014, 2012 European Conference on South Asian Studies (ECSAS)
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REVIEWER

Cambridge University Press; American Political Science Review; American Journal of Political Science; Medical Anthropology; Journal of Women; Politics and Policy; Political Behaviour.

AFFILIATIONS

Editorial Board of the Modern South Asia Series of Oxford University Press (New York).

Associate Fellow, Institute of Development and Economic Alternatives (IDEAS), Pakistan.

Fellow, Mahbub ul Haq Research Centre, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS), Pakistan.

Fellow, Higher Education Academy, UK.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS AND OUTPUTS

Books and Journal Articles

- Khan Mohmand, S.** (2019) *Crafty Oligarchs, Savvy Voters: Democracy Under Inequality in Rural Pakistan*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press
- Khan Mohmand, S.** (2021) 'Hybrid Clientelism as Democracy in the Global Indian Ocean', in H. Verhoeven and A. Lieven (eds) *Beyond Liberal Order: States, Societies and Markets in the Global Indian Ocean*, New York: Oxford University Press
- Khan Mohmand, S.;** Anderson, C.; Gallien, M.; Harrison, T.; Joshi, A.; Loureiro, M.; Mascagni, G.; Occhiali, G. and van den Boogard, V. (2021) '[Governance for Building Back Better](#)' *IDS Bulletin* 52.1: 163-179
- Khan Mohmand, S.** (2020) '[Pakistan's Closing Civic Space](#)', *Current History* 119.816: 146–151
- Liaqat, A.; Cheema, A. and **Khan Mohmand, S.** (2020) 'Who do Politicians Talk to? Political Contact in Urban Punjab' in M. Mufti, S. Shafqat and N. Siddiqui (eds) *Pakistan's Political Parties: Surviving Between Dictatorship and Democracy*, Washington, D.C.: Georgetown University Press
- Cheema, A.; Khan, S.; **Khan Mohmand, S.** and Liaqat, A. (2020) 'Canvassing the Gatekeepers: A Field Experiment to Improve Women's Turnout in Pakistan's General Election' [Revise & Resubmit at American Political Science Review]
- Khan Mohmand, S.** (2020) '[Response to Book Forum on Crafty Oligarchs, Savvy Voters](#)', *Contemporary South Asia* 28:2: 267-271
- Khan Mohmand, S.** and Loureiro, M. (eds.) (2017) '[Interrogating Decentralisation in Africa](#)', *IDS Bulletin* 48.2
- Khan Mohmand, S.** (2014) '[Losing the Connection: Party-Voter Linkages in Pakistan](#)', *Commonwealth & Comparative Politics* 52:1: 7-31
- Khan Mohmand, S.** and Misis Mihajlovic, S. (2014) '[Connecting Citizens to the State: Informal Local Governance Institutions in the Western Balkans](#)' *IDS Bulletin* 45.5: 81-91
- Zaidi, S.; **Khan Mohmand, S.;** Hayat, N.; Mejia Acosta, A. and Bhutta, Z. (2013) 'Nutrition Policy in the Post-Devolution Context in Pakistan: An Analysis of Provincial Opportunities and Barriers' *IDS Bulletin* 44.3: 86-93
- Khan Mohmand, S.** (2008) 'Local Government Reforms in Pakistan: Strengthening Social Capital or Rolling Back the State?' in D. Gellner and K. Hachhethu (eds), *Local Democracy in South Asia: Microprocesses of Democratization in Nepal and its Neighbors*, New Delhi: Sage Publications
- Khan Mohmand, S.** and Cheema, A. (2007) 'Accountability Failures and the Decentralization of Service Delivery in Pakistan', *IDS Bulletin* 38.1: 45-59
- Khan Mohmand, S.** and Cheema, A. (2007) 'Decentralization and Inequality in Pakistan: Bridging the Gap that Divides?' in M. A. Saqib (ed.), *Devolution and Governance: Reforms in Pakistan*, Karachi: Oxford University Press
- Khan Mohmand, S.** (2005) 'Representative Decentralization vs. Participatory Decentralization: A Critical Analysis of Local Government Plan 2000' in L.C. Jain (ed.), *Decentralization and Local Governance*, New Delhi: Orient Longman

Working Papers

- Cheema, A.; Liaqat A.; Khan, S.; **Khan Mohmand, S.** and Rauf, S.F. (2021) [The Empty Promise of Urbanization: Women's Political Participation in Pakistan](#), IDS Working Paper 547, Brighton: IDS
- Cheema, A.; Khan, S.; **Khan Mohmand, S.** and Liaqat, A. (2019) *Invisible Citizens: Why More Women in Pakistan Do Not Vote*, IDS Working Paper 524, Brighton: IDS
- Khan Mohmand, S.** (2019) *The Implications of Closing Civic Space for Sustainable Development in Pakistan*, IDS Working Paper 521, Brighton: IDS.
- Hossain, N.; Khurana, N.; **Khan Mohmand, S.;** Nazneen, S.; Oosterom, M.; Roberts, T.; Santos, R.; Shankland, A. and Schröder, P. (2018) *What Does Closing Civic Space Mean for Development? A Literature Review and Proposed Conceptual Framework*, IDS Working Paper 515, Brighton: IDS

Khan Mohmand, S.; Befani, B.; Dowd, C.; Justino, P.; Loureiro, M.; Scott-Villiers, P. and Shaw, J. (2017) *Innovative Methods for Research on Social and Political Action in Fragile and Conflict-Affected Settings*, IDS Working Paper 487, Brighton: IDS

Khan Mohmand, S. and Misić Mihajlović, S. (2016) *Integrating Informal Institutions in Local Governance: Does it Matter?*, IDS Working Paper 473, Brighton: IDS

Khan Mohmand, S. (2016) *Informal Local Governance Institutions: What They Do and Why They Matter*, IDS Working Paper 468, Brighton: IDS

Policy and Commissioned Research

Khan Mohmand, S. (2021) *Goals of Equality and Representation: Does Decentralisation Work?* in UNDP's *Development Advocate Pakistan 7.3*

Khan Mohmand, S. and Žikić, M. (2019) *Political Economy Analysis of Local Economic Development in Serbia*, Brighton: SDC-IDS

Carter, B.; Apgar, M. and **Khan Mohmand, S.** (2019) *Guidance Note on Scaling up Social Norm Change*, K4D Emerging Issues Report, Brighton, UK: Institute of Development Studies.

Cheema, A.; Khan, S.; **Khan Mohmand, S.**; Liaqat, A. and Kuraishi, A. (2019) *Women's Political Participation in Pakistan's Big Cities: Evidence for Reform*, IDS Policy Briefing 166, Brighton: IDS

Khan Mohmand, S. (2018) *Making Local Governance Inclusive for the 'Leave No One Behind' Agenda*, SDC-IDS Briefing Note 5, Brighton: IDS

Cheema, A.; **Khan Mohmand, S.** and Liaqat, A. (2017) *Competing to Deliver? Political Workers and Service Delivery in Pakistan*, Making All Voices Count Research Briefing, Brighton: IDS

Khan Mohmand, S. (2017) *Strengthening Municipal Councils in Albania: Political Economy and Power Analysis of Albania's Decentralisation Reforms*, Brighton: IDS-Helvetas