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QUALIFICATION

SPECIALIZATION:

PhD in Regional and Rural Development Planning

Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand

Master's in Regional and Rural Development Planning

Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand

Master's in Agricultural Economics

Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand

HONORS & AWARDS:

- "Best Paper Award 2023" at the International Conference on Sustainable Development 2023
- Selected and participated in the 7th Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting of the Laureates of the Sveriges Riksbank Prize in Economic Sciences.
- Higher Education Commission of Pakistan Scholarship for a Masters leading to Ph.D.
- Silver medal in M.Sc. (Hons.) Agricultural Economics
- Bronze medal in B.Sc. (Hons.) Agricultural and Resource Economics

PROFILE

Dr. Farhad Zulfiqar's work explores the intersections of innovation adoption, agricultural sustainability, climate risk management, water governance, and economics of development planning. With over 40 peer-reviewed Scopus-indexed publications and leadership in multi-country donor-funded research, he has academic and policy experience across South Asia, Southeast Asia, and the Middle East. He has ten years of research experience working with various international and national organizations on research projects related to regenerative agriculture, climate-smart agriculture, circular economy, water resource management, and food security. He holds a PhD from the Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand, and previously held academic positions in Pakistan and Thailand.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- **2024–Present**
Associate Professor, Department of Natural Resource Economics, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman
- **2021–2024**
Assistant Professor, Department of Food, Agriculture and Bioresources, Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand
- **2017–2020**
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, COMSATS University Islamabad, Pakistan
- **2016–2017**
Foreign Expert, Faculty of Environment and Resource Studies, Mahidol University, Thailand
- **June 2011 – August 2011**
Research Analyst, Innovative Development Strategies, Pakistan
- **2010–2011**
Research Fellow, University of Agriculture Faisalabad, Pakistan
- **July 2008 – Aug. 2008**
Field Researcher, Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI), Pakistan

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Innovation adoption
- Natural resource sustainability
- Climate risk management
- Water governance
- Economics of development planning