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#### **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

### **Primary Position**

- ♦ January 2024 Present: Senior Lecturer in Economics (Educator-Track)
  - ♦ Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (LKYSPP), National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore

#### **Previous Permanent Positions (Post-PhD)**

- ♦ January 2021 December 2023: (Advanced) Assistant Professor of Economics
  - ♦ Department of Economics and Finance, College of Business and Economics, United Arab Emirates University (UAEU), Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates.
- ♦ June 2019 December 2020: Senior Research Fellow
  - ♦ Nanyang Centre for Emerging Markets, Nanyang Business School, Nanyang Technological University (**NTU**), Singapore.
- ♦ June 2018 June 2019: Assistant Professor of Economics
  - ♦ Graduate School of Public Policy, Nazarbayev University (**NU**), Astana, Republic of Kazakhstan.
- ♦ October 2015 May 2018: Research Fellow and Deputy Director
  - ♦ Asia Competitiveness Institute, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore.
- ♦ August 2014 October 2015: **Post-Doctoral Fellow** 
  - ❖ Institute for Emerging Market Studies and Institute for Advanced Study, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST), Hong Kong SAR.

### **EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. (Public Policy), George Mason University, United States of America, 2014
- ◆ M.Sc. (Economics), Madras School of Economics, India, 2007
- ♦ B.A. (Economics), Loyola College (Autonomous), India, 2005

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

**Broad Fields:** International Macro-Finance and Development

**Specific Topics:** Foreign Direct Investment | Financial Openness and Capital Flows | Trade Policy and Global Value Chains | Financial Inclusion and Development

#### **TEACHING EXPERTISE**

**Teaching Expertise**: Macro & International Economic Policy (in business and public policy schools).

#### **TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES**

- ♦ National University of Singapore, (Jan 2024 onwards)
  - Masters: Macroeconomics for Public Policy (Principles/Intermediate), Analytical Issues in Money and Banking (Intermediate), International Economic Development (Intermediate), Policy Analysis Exercise (Capstone)
  - o **PhD**: Economic Analysis for Public Policy (Macro Foundations)

### ♦ United Arab Emirates University, 2021-2023

- o **Bachelors:** International Economics and Globalization (*Intermediate*), Money and Banking (*Intermediate*), Principles of Macroeconomics (*Principles*), Selected Topics in Economics (*Intermediate*)
- Masters: UAE in the Global Business Environment (MBA International Business -Principles)

#### ♦ Nazarbayev University, 2018 – 2019

- Masters: International Financial Policy (Intermediate), Macroeconomics for Public Policy (Intermediate)
- o **PhD**: Advanced Quantitative Methods, Macroeconomics for Public Policy (Intermediate)

## ♦ George Mason University, 2011–2014

Masters: International Financial Institutions and Policies (Intermediate), Investment and Macroeconomics (Principles), Trade, Investment and Financial Issues in Asia (Intermediate), International Business in Emerging Markets (Principles), Global Political Economy (Principles)

#### **♦** Ad-Hoc Lectures

- Capacity building lectures at Asia Competitiveness Institute, National University of Singapore (details available upon request)
- Executive Education lectures (details available on request)
- Guest lectures on selected topics in international finance at the ESSEC Business School (Asia Pacific), Singapore Management University (SMU) (details available on request).

#### **GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

- ♦ 2025: Annual Faculty **Teaching Excellence** Award, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore.
- ♦ 2023-2024: Principal Investigator (PI), AUA-UAEU Joint Research Grant, United Arab Emirates University, Jan 2023-Dec 2024.
  - o Title: "Impact of Climate Risks on Foreign Direct Investment Inflows."
- ♦ 2022-2024: Principal Investigator (PI), Faculty Start-up Grant, United Arab Emirates University (UAEU), April 2022-April 2024.
  - Title: "Understanding Soft Power: Measurement and Applications Using a Novel Index."
- ♦ 2022-2024: Co-Principal Investigator (Co-PI), Faculty Start-up Grant, United Arab Emirates University (UAEU), April 2022-April 2024 (with Ming Sun Simon Lo, UAEU).
  - o Title: "Dumbbell Global, Regional, and Sub-regional Economic Integration in MENA: Index Measures, Causes Decompositions, and their Dynamic Effects."

- ◆ 2017-2019: Co-Collaborator, Grant from Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia (ERIA), January 2017 to December 2019 (with Tony Cavoli, UniSA).
  - Title: "Understanding the Economic Effects of Financial Inclusion in ASEAN and East Asia"
- ◆ 2017: Co-Collaborator, Grant from Hong Kong SAR Research Grants Council (with Peter Mackay, HKUST)
  - o Title: "Corporate Risk Management in BRICS Countries"
- ◆ 2014: Recipient, IEMS Post-Doctoral Fellow Research Grant, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST)
- ♦ 2010: Co-Recipient, Research Grant from International Growth Center (Pakistan), June-December (with Kenneth A. Reinert and Ammar A. Malik, George Mason University).
  - o Title: "Pakistan-India Trade: Economic Opportunities and Policy Challenges"
- ♦ 2010: Recipient, Seymour Martin Lipset Scholarship, George Mason University.

#### **ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP AND ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES**

## **Educational Leadership**

National University of Singapore (NUS)

- ♦ Co-Chair, Master's in Public Policy (MPP) Program, 2025 Present.
- ♦ Convenor, Policy Analysis Exercise (Masters' Capstone), 2025- Present.
- ♦ Affiliate, CTLT Affiliate Program 2025-26, Center for Teaching, Learning and Technology.
- Member, Junior Economics Hiring Committee, 2024-25, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy.
- ♦ Member, Faculty Teaching Excellence Committee (FTEC), 2024-25, Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy.

#### Past Positions

- ♦ Chair, Department Research Committee 2022-23, UAE University.
- ♦ Member, Committee for revamping the BA program in Economics, UAE University.
- ♦ Member, MBA Transformation program, UAE University.
- ♦ Member, Proposal for PhD Program in Economics, UAE University.
- ♦ Course Coordinator, Principles of Macroeconomics, UAE University.
- ♦ Faculty Director, PhD Program in Public Policy, Nazarbayev University.
- ♦ Deputy Director, Asia Competitiveness Institute (ACI), Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (2015-2018)

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

- **♦** Editorial Positions
  - ♦ Associate Editor, Economia Politica (Scopus Q1), January 2024 Present
- **♦** Professional Affiliations
  - ♦ <u>Affiliate</u>, <u>Center for Competitiveness</u>, University of Fribourg, Switzerland.
- **♦** Referee Activity (Selected Journals)
  - ❖ Economic Modeling; Applied Economics; Australian Economic Papers; Business and Politics; Contemporary Economic Policy; Journal of Macroeconomics; Pacific Economic Review; Review of International Economics; World Development; World Economy (Full list available on request).

#### ♦ Thesis Examiner

External examiner: National University of Singapore, University of South Australia, United Arab Emirates University, Nazarbayev University (Details available on request)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Refereed and Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles**

[In Reverse Chronological Order]

- Khalid, U., Gopalan, S., and Zekkari, K.B. 2026. "Do Global Sanctions Deter Greenfield Foreign Direct Investment?" *Economic Modelling*, 155, 1-14. <a href="https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econmod.2025.107421">https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econmod.2025.107421</a> (Forthcoming).
- Gopalan, S., Reddy, K. and Sasidharan, S. 2025. "Can Participation in Global Value Chains Improve Female Labor Force Participation? A Firm-Level Empirical Investigation," *Review of World Economics*, 161: 611-634.
- 3. **Gopalan, S.**, and Reddy, K. 2025. "Global Value Chain Disruptions and Firm Survival During Covid-19: An Empirical Investigation," *Emerging Markets Finance and Trade*, 61(8): 2360–2373.
- 4. **Gopalan**, S., Miroudot, S., and Reddy, K. 2024. "Global Value Chains and Firm Survivability During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Digitalization as the Moderator?" *Applied Economics Letters*, 32(6): 784–788.
- 5. **Gopalan, S.**, and Khalid, U. 2024. "How Does Financial Inclusion Influence Tourism Demand? Empirical Evidence from Emerging Markets and Developing Economies," *Tourism Recreation Research*, 49(3): 639-653.
- 6. **Gopalan, S.,** Khalid, U., and Okafor, L. 2024. "Do Greenfield FDI Inflows Promote International Tourism?," *Current Issues in Tourism*, 27(24): 4561-4578.
- 7. **Gopalan, S.**, Park, C.Y., and Rajan, R.S. 2023. "Do International Investment Agreements (IIAs) Attract FDI Inflows? Revisiting the Literature," *Economic Analysis and Policy*, 80, 471-481.
- 8. **Gopalan, S.**, Gupta, B., and Rajan, R.S. 2023. "Do Climate Risks Influence FDI Inflows to Emerging and Developing Economies?" *Climate Policy*, 23(6):722-734.
- 9. **Gopalan, S.** and Sharipova, A. 2023. "What Attracts Greenfield Foreign Direct Investment Inflows to Asia? Evidence from Firms' Motives," *Transnational Corporations Review*, 15(1): 111-129.
- Cavoli, T. and Gopalan, S. 2023. "Does Financial Inclusion Promote Consumption Smoothing? Evidence from Emerging and Developing Economies," *International Review of Economics and Finance*, 88: 1529-1546.
- 11. Cavoli, T., **Gopalan, S.**, Onur, I., and Xenarios, S. 2023. "Does Financial Inclusion Improve Sanitation Access? Empirical Evidence from Low and Middle-Income Countries," *International Journal of Water Resources Development*, 39(5): 724-745.
- 12. Reddy K., and **Gopalan, S**. 2023. "Gender Bias in Access to Trade Credit: Firm-Level Evidence from Emerging Markets" *Global Finance Journal*, 57: 1-11.
- 13. **Gopalan, S.**, Gupta, B., and Rajan, R.S. 2023. "Financial Globalisation in ASEAN+3: Navigating the Financial Trilemma" *Global Policy*, 14: 164-476.

- Cavoli, T., Gopalan, S. and Rajan, R.S. 2023. "Is Exchange Rate Centered Monetary Policy Asymmetric? Empirical Evidence from Singapore," *Applied Economics*, 55(21): 2438-2454.
- 15. **Gopalan, S.**, and Khalid, U. 2023. "Promoting Outbound Tourism through Financial Inclusion" *Annals of Tourism Research: Empirical Insights*, 4: 1-3.
- Gopalan, S. Reddy, K. and Sasidharan, S. 2022. "Does Digitalization Spur Global Value Chain Participation? Firm-Level Evidence from Emerging Markets" *Information Economics & Policy*, 59: 1-13.
- 17. Cavoli, T., **Gopalan, S.** and Rajan, R.S. 2022. "Can Macroprudential Policies Moderate the Influence of Capital Flows on Real Exchange Rates? Empirical Evidence from Emerging Markets," *International Review of Finance*, 22: 567–579.
- 18. **Gopalan, S.** 2022. "What Drives Start-up Entrepreneurship in India's Subnational Economies?" *The Indian Economic Journal*, 70(2): 370–373.
- 19. **Gopalan, S.** and Rajan, R.S. 2022. "Does Digital Financial Inclusion Moderate or Exacerbate Output Volatility?" *Applied Economics Letters*, 29(19): 1804-1809.
- 20. Khalid, U., Okafor, L. and Gopalan, S. 2022. "Tourism Recovery from COVID-19 Pandemic and Economic Policy Response: The Role of Resilience Across Countries" Annals of Tourism Research: Empirical Insights, 3(2):1-14.
- Cavoli, T., Gopalan, S., and Rajan, R.S. 2021. "Do Macroprudential Policies Counter Real Exchange Rate Appreciation in Emerging Markets?" *The World Economy*, 44(7): 2164-2187.
- Gopalan, S., Cavoli, T. and Rajan, R.S. 2020. "Does Financial Inclusion Amplify Output Volatility in Emerging and Developing Economies?" *Open Economies Review*, 31: 901-930.
- 23. **Gopalan, S.**, Luu, N.T.D. and Rajan, R.S. 2020. "Trade Configurations in Emerging Asia: Assessing *De Facto* and *De Jure* Regionalism" *The World Economy*, 43(4): 1034-1058.
- 24. **Gopalan, S.**, and Sasidharan, S. 2020. "Financial Liberalization and Firms' Access to Credit in Emerging and Developing Economies: An Empirical Investigation" *Journal of Economics and Business*, 107: 1-19; Finalist for Journal's *Best Article Award 2020*.
- Tan, K.G., Gopalan, S., and Sharma, J. 2019. "Impact of Exchange Rates on Exports from India's Sub-National Economies," South Asian Journal of Business Studies, 8(2): 166-184.
- 26. Cavoli, T., **Gopalan, S.**, and Rajan, R.S. 2019. "Exchange Rate Policies in Asia in an Era of Financial Globalization: An Empirical Assessment," *The World Economy*, 42: 1774-1795.
- 27. **Gopalan, S.**, Rajan, R.S., and Luu, N.T.D. 2019. "Roads to Prosperity? Determinants of FDI in China and ASEAN," *The Chinese Economy*, 52(4): 318-341.
- 28. **Gopalan, S.** 2018. "Does Foreign Bank Entry Contribute to Financial Development? Examining the Role of Income Thresholds," *Development Policy Review*, 36(S2): 954-983.
- 29. **Gopalan, S.** and Rajan, R.S. 2018. "Foreign Banks and Financial Inclusion in Emerging and Developing Economies: An Empirical Investigation" *Journal of International Development*, 30(4): 559-583.
- 30. Tan, K.G., **Gopalan, S**. and Ahmad, N.S. 2018. "Growth Slowdown Analysis for Indonesia's Subnational Economies: An Empirical Investigation" *Review of Pacific Basin Financial Markets and Policies*, 21(3): 1-36.

- 31. **Gopalan, S.**, Ouyang, A. and Rajan, R.S. 2018. "Impact of Greenfield FDI versus M&As on Growth and Domestic Investment in Emerging Asia". *Economia Politica*, 35 (1): 41-70
- 32. Tan, K.G., **Gopalan, S.** and Nguyen, W. 2018. "Measuring Ease of Doing Business in India's Sub-National Economies: A Novel Index," **South Asian Journal of Business Studies**, 7(3): 242-264.
- 33. **Gopalan, S**. and Rajan, R.S. 2017. "Does Foreign Bank Presence Affect Interest Rate Pass-Through in Emerging and Developing Economies?" *Journal of Macroeconomics*, 54: 373-292.
- 34. **Gopalan, S.**, and Rajan, R.S. 2017. "The Great Monetary Gamble in India: Modi's Lee Kuan Yew Moment?" *Asian Survey*, 57(5): 833-855, September/October.
- 35. Cavoli, T. and **Gopalan, S.** 2017. "Economic and Financial Interconnections and Income Growth Convergence in Asia: A Real-Financial Nexus?" *Emerging Markets Finance and Trade*, 53 (12): 2672-2685.
- 36. Tan, K.G., Gopalan, S. and Nguyen, L.P.A. 2017. "Financial Deepening and Economic Growth in Transition Southeast Asian Economies: A Geweke Causality Analysis" *Review of Pacific Basin Financial Markets and Policies*, 20(3):1-25.
- 37. **Gopalan, S**. and Rajan, R.S. 2016. "Has Foreign Aid Been Effective in the Water Supply and Sanitation Sector? Evidence from Panel Data," *World Development*, 85: 84–104, September; Winner of "2017 Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy *Research Excellence Award* in *Social and Development Policy* Category."
- 38. **Gopalan, S.** and Rajan, R.S. 2016. "Revisiting Bilateral Foreign Direct Investment Inflows into BRIC Economies," *Global Policy*, 7(4): 510-520, November.
- 39. Gopalan, S. Hattari, R. and Rajan, R.S. 2016. "Understanding Foreign Direct Investment in Indonesia," *Journal of International Trade Law and Policy*, Vol.15, No.1, pp.28-50; Winner of "Outstanding Paper for 2017 Emerald Literati Network Awards for Excellence."
- 40. Tan, K.G, **Gopalan, S.**, and Ye, Y. 2016. "Drivers of Growth in the Travel and Tourism Industry in Malaysia: A Geweke Causality Analysis," *Economies*, 4(3):1-15.
- 41. **Gopalan, S.**, 2015. "Financial Liberalisation and Foreign Bank Entry in Emerging and Developing Economies: What Does the Literature Tell Us?" *Journal of International Commerce, Economics and Policy*, 6(2): 1-25.
- 42. **Gopalan, S.**, Malik, A.A. and Reinert, K. 2013. "The Renewed Hope of Multilateralism in South Asia: Applying the MFN Principle to Pakistan-India Trade," *Global Policy*, 4(4): 445-447. (APSA A/Scopus Top 10%)
- 43. **Gopalan, S.**, Malik, A.A. and Reinert, K.A. 2013. "The Imperfect Substitutes Model in South Asia: Pakistan-India Trade Liberalization in the Negative List", *South Asia Economic Journal*, 2013, 14(2): 211-230 (Lead Article).
- 44. **Gopalan, S.** and Rajan, R.S. 2010. "Financial Sector De-Regulation in Emerging Asia: Focus on Foreign Bank Entry," *Journal of World Investment and Trade*, February, 11(1): 91-108.
- 45. Rajan, R.S. and **Gopalan, S**. 2010. "India's International Reserves: How Large and How Diversified?" *Global Economy Journal*, 10(3): 1-16.
- 46. **Gopalan, S**. and Shanmugam, K.R. 2010. "The Multi-Fibre Agreement Phase-Out: Efficiency Implications of Textile Firms in India," *Trade and Development Review*, 3(1): 59-75.
- 47. Chanda, R. and **Gopalan, S**. 2009. "Understanding India's Regional Initiatives with East and Southeast Asia", *Asian-Pacific Economic Literature*, May, 23(1): 66-78.

48. **Gopalan, S.** 2006. "A Causal Investigation of Aggregate Output Fluctuations in India", *Economic and Political Weekly*, September 23-29, 2006, 41(38): 4081 – 4085.

### Selected Works in Progress (Under Review)

- 1. Yu, L., **Gopalan, S.**, and Rajan, R.S. "Does Climate Vulnerability Weaken Monetary Policy Transmission? Evidence from Emerging and Developing Economies."
- 2. Gupta, B., **Gopalan, S**., and Rajan, R.S. "Unpacking the Impact of Climate Risks on FDI Composition."
- 3. Khalid, U., and **Gopalan, S.** "How do Foreign Direct Investment Inflows Influence Energy Poverty? An Empirical Investigation."
- 4. Khalid, U., Liu, A., and **Gopalan, S**. "Do Democracies Dodge the Bullet? Reassessing the Impact of Sanctions on FDI."
- 5. Miroudot, S., Reddy, K., and **Gopalan**, S., "Resilience to Severe Crises: The Role of GVC Participation and Trade Credit."
- 6. Reddy, K., **Gopalan, S.** and Cavoli, T. "Young Firms and Formal Finance: The Role of Informal Institutions."

### **Books (Co-Authored and Co-Edited)**

#### Co-Authored

- Cavoli, T., Gopalan, S. and Rajan, R.S. 2020. Complexities of Financial Globalisation: Analytical and Policy Issues in Emerging and Developing Economies, Routledge, Taylor & Francis, May 2020. (10 chapters).
- 2. Rajan, R.S. and **Gopalan, S**. 2014. *Economic Management in a Volatile Environment: Monetary and Financial Issues*, **Palgrave-Macmillan**, 2014 (10 chapters, 312 pages).
- 3. Rajan, R.S., **Gopalan, S.** and Hattari, R. 2011. *Crisis, Capital Flows and FDI in Emerging Asia*, **Oxford University Press**, 2011 (10 chapters, 225 pages).

#### Co-Edited

4. **Gopalan, S.** and Kikuchi, T. 2016. *Financial Inclusion in Asia: Issues and Policy Concerns* (Eds.), **Palgrave-Macmillan**, October 2016.

# **Book Chapters**

- 1. **Gopalan, S**. and Rajan, R.S. 2026. "Reshaping the Financial Sector: Digital Innovation, Sustainability, and Policy Challenges," Chapter 8, in *Public Policy Schools of the Future*, World Scientific (Forthcoming)
- 2. **Gopalan, S.** and Rajan, R.S. 2026. "Foreign Direct Investment Inflows to South Asia: A Stocktaking," Chapter 22, in *South Asia: Retrospect and Prospects*, World Scientific (Forthcoming)
- 3. David, D., **Gopalan, S.**, and Ramachandran, S. 2021. "The Startup Environment and Funding Activity in India," Chapter 7, in *Investment in Startups and Small Business Financing* (Eds.) F. Taghizadeh-Hesary, N. Yoshino, C.J. Kim, P.J. Morgan, and D. Yoon, *World Scientific*.
- 4. **Gopalan, S.,** Rajan, R.S. and Sharipova, A. 2020. "Financial Inclusion and Macroeconomic Volatility in Asia," Chapter 5 in *Financial Inclusion in Asia and Beyond* (Eds.) T. Cavoli and R. Shrestha, *Routledge*.

- 5. **Gopalan, S.** 2017. "Banking Globalization and Development," Chapter 14 in *Handbook of Globalization and Development* (ed.) Reinert, K.., *Edward Elgar*, pp.234-251.
- 6. **Gopalan, S.** 2016. "Foreign Bank Entry and Financial Development in Emerging and Developing Economies: An Empirical Investigation" in Roy, M. and Roy, S.S. (eds.), *International Trade and Finance*, Springer, pp.565-584.
- 7. **Gopalan, S.,** Rajan, R.S., and Yanamandra, V. 2016. "External Financing in India: Sources and Types of Foreign Direct Investment (FDI)" Chapter 6, in Rajan, R.S. and Yanamandra, V., *Managing the Macroeconomy: Monetary and Exchange Rate Issues in India*, Palgrave-Macmillan, August.
- 8. **Gopalan, S.,** and Rajan, R.S. 2012. "What is the Extent and Distribution of FDI Inflows to India?" Chapter 9, in Rajan, R.S. "*Exchange Rates and Foreign Direct Investment in Emerging Asia: Selected Issues*," Routledge, December.
- 9. **Gopalan, S.,** and Rajan, R.S. 2012. "What is the Impact of FDI on Asian Growth and Development?" Chapter 6, in Rajan, R.S. *Exchange Rates and Foreign Direct Investment in Emerging Asia: Selected Issues*, Routledge, December.
- 10. Chanda, R. and **Gopalan, S.,** 2011. "Managing Migration in Asia: Role of Interstate Cooperation," Chapter 10, in Hansen, R. Money, J. and Koehler, J. (eds.), *Migration, Nation States and International Cooperation*, Routledge, June, pp. 170-210.
- 11. Rajan, R.S. and **Gopalan, S.** 2011. "Will the US Dollar Remain the Single Global Currency?" Chapter 3, in Rajan, R.S., *Emerging Asia: Essays on Crises, Capital Flows, FDI and Exchange Rates*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2011, pp.17-21.
- 12. Rajan, R.S. and **Gopalan, S.** 2011. "Asia in the G20: Monetary and Financial Considerations," Chapter 15, in Rajan, R.S., *Emerging Asia: Essays on Crises, Capital Flows, FDI and Exchange Rates*, Palgrave-Macmillan Press, 2011, pp.85-88.
- 13. Chanda, R., and **Gopalan, S**. 2008. "GATS and Developments in India's Service Sector," Chapter 7, in *India's Liberalization Experience Hostage to the WTO?* (eds.) Karmakar, S., Kumar, R., and Debroy, B., Sage, pp.169-212 (with Chanda, R.).

# Articles in Media (Selected Op-Eds and Commentaries)

- 1. Rajan, R.S. and **Gopalan, S.** 2022. "Leveraging Digital Economy Agreements for a Sustainable Post-Covid Recovery," *The Business Times*, May 10.
- 2. Khalid, U., and **Gopalan, S.** 2021. "How Financial Inclusion is a Pathway to Reviving Tourism," *Gulf Business*, June 27.
- 3. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2021. "Does Covid-19 Mark the Death of Financial Globalisation?" *The Business Times*, September 17.
- 4. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2020. "Why Asia's Rapidly Growing Bond Markets are Still Vulnerable to Financial Stress," *South China Morning Post*, July 15.
- 5. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2020. "COVID-19 and India's Fiscal Conundrum" *The Hindu*, May 05.
- 6. **Gopalan, S.** and Rajan, R.S. 2020. "Doing Whatever It Takes: Understanding the COVID-19 Stimulus Calculus," *Global Policy Opinion*, April 15.
- 7. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2020. "Covid-19: Another Blow to India's Economy," *The Hindu Business Line*, March 30.
- 8. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2019. "Inappropriate Template for a Legitimate Target," *The Hindu*, July 19.

- 9. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2018. "Are Trade Wars Spiraling into Currency Wars?" *Global-is-Asian*, August 21.
- 10. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2018. "Plugging Asia's Yawning Infrastructure Gap," *Live Mint*, July 12.
- 11. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2018. "Revitalising Singapore-India Commercial Ties," *Global-is-Asian*, June 14.
- 12. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2018. "Here's what Modi Needs to Do to Become a Hero," *Global-is-Asian*, June 06.
- 13. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2018. "International Trade Tensions: A Worry for Asia," *Live Mint*, May 23.
- 14. Tan, K.G., **Gopalan, S.,** and Rajan, R.S. 2017. "What Ails India's Exports?" *Financial Express*, October 06.
- 15. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2017. "Gold's Durability in Asia Driving Global Demand," *The Business Times*, September 28.
- 16. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2017. "Has Global Finance Reached its Peak?" *The Business Times*, July 12.
- 17. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2017. "Revisiting the Singapore-India DTAA" *The Business Times*, January 10.
- 18. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2016. "4 Things Singapore can do in the Face of Deglobalisation" *The Business Times*, December 16.
- 19. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2016. "Shifting Narrative on the Rupee Demonetisation," *The Business Times*, December 9.
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- 21. Tan, K.G., Tan, K.Y., and **Gopalan, S.** 2015. "Doing Business in India: From 'Look East' to 'Act East'," *Straits Times*, November 25.
- 22. **Gopalan, S.,** and Rajan, R.S. 2015. "For a Better Interest Rate Transmission," *Financial Express*, August 05.
- 23. **Gopalan, S.,** and Rajan, R.S. 2015. "Greek Crisis: Back to Basics," *eSocialSciences*, August 02.
- 24. **Gopalan, S.,** and Rajan, R.S. 2015. "Can Foreign Banks Contribute to Financial Inclusion?" *eSocialSciences*, July 03.
- 25. Rajan, R.S., and Gopalan, S. 2015. "Getting Better FDI," Financial Express, January 19.
- 26. Rajan, R.S., and **Gopalan, S.** 2015. "Who is Investing in India and in What Sectors?" *Financial Express*, January 12.
- 27. Rajan, R.S., and Gopalan, S. 2010. "Bucking on the Dollar," Financial Express, August 8.
- 28. **Gopalan, S.,** and Rajan, R.S. 2010. "Are Foreign Banks Welcome?" *Financial Express*, April 3.
- 29. Rajan, R.S., and Gopalan, S. 2010. "Mammoth Remittances," Financial Express, March 6.
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### **Selected Policy Briefs and Reports**

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#### **CONFERENCES, SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS**

## **Recent Conference Presentations (Selected)**

- 1. **2025:** "Making Thinking Visible Through Dynamic Feedback Loops"
  - December 10, 2025: Higher Education Conference in Singapore (HECS) 2025, "Building Relationships in Teaching and Learning," National University of Singapore, Singapore.
- 2. **2025:** "Mastering the "CRAFT" of Roleplay: A Framework for Economics Educators"
  - November 06-07, 2025: 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual St. Louis Fed Professors Conference "Active Learning in the College Classroom" Federal Reserve of St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, USA.
- 3. **2024:** "Impact of Climate Risks on Foreign Direct Investment"
  - July 10-12, 2024: Australian Conference of Economists (ACE) 2024, University of Adelaide, Australia.
- 4. **2022:** "Gender Bias in Access to Trade Credit: Firm-Level Evidence from Emerging Markets"
  - December 08-09, 2022: New Zealand Finance Meeting 2022, Auckland Centre for Financial Research, Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand (Virtual).
- 5. **2022:** "Does Financial Development Enhance Public Social Protection? An Empirical Investigation"
  - September 06, 2022: INFER Workshop on "Sustainable Development of Developing and Emerging Economies," The Knowledge Hub Universities and Coventry University, Cairo, Egypt (Virtual).

# Pre-2020

- 6. "Can Macroprudential Policies Counter the Financial Dutch Disease Phenomenon? Empirical Evidence from Panel Data"
  - Dec 16-17, 2019: "Eighteenth Annual Conference on Macroeconomics and Finance," Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research (IGIDR), Mumbai, India.
  - Dec 02-03, 2019: "Finance, Property, Technology and the Economy," University of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia.
  - May 20-21, 2019: "Conference on Global Safe Assets, International Reserves, and Capital Flow" City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong.
- 7. "Financial Inclusion and Output Volatility: An Empirical Investigation"
  - December 1-2, 2017: "Financial Inclusion and Financial Development Workshop,"
    University of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia.

- 8. "Does Foreign Bank Presence Affect Financial Inclusion in Emerging and Developing Economies?"
  - August 5-7, 2015: The Singapore Economic Review Conference (SERC), Singapore.
  - May 20-21, 2015: HKUST IEMS-CAG Workshop on "Understanding Financial Inclusion in Asia," Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST), Hong Kong.
- 9. "Does Foreign Bank Presence Affect Interest Rate Pass-Through in Emerging and Developing Economies?"
  - December 05, 2017: Academic Seminar, University of South Australia, Adelaide, Australia
  - April 24, 2015: Workshop on "Capital Flows and Financial Development in Emerging Markets." Center for Emerging Market Policies, George Mason University, VA, USA.
  - March 6-8, 2015: National Institute of Public Finance and Policy, 13<sup>th</sup> Research Meeting of NIPFP-DEA Research Program, Rajasthan, India.

### Seminars/Webinars (Selected)

- 1. "Gender Bias in Access to Trade Credit: Firm-Level Evidence from Emerging Markets"
  - October 31, 2023: Invited Guest Lecture at the International Monetary Fund (IMF)
    Middle East, Course on Gender Inequality and Macroeconomics, Center for Economics and Finance (CEF), Kuwait
- 2. "Global Value Chains and Firm Resilience During COVID-19: Empirical Evidence from Enterprise Surveys"
  - March 09, 2023: Economics Brownbag Seminar, College of Business and Economics, United Arab Emirates University.
- 3. "Does Digitalization Spur Global Value Chain Participation? Firm-Level Evidence from Emerging Markets"
  - May 25, 2022: Invited Lecture (Webinar) by The Grassroots Institute, Canada.
- 4. "The Singapore Story"
  - September 08, 2021: Invited Speaker at the CBE STEPS Forum on "The UAE & Singapore: From Third to First World in One Generation", UAE University.
- 5. "Ease of Doing Business and Competitiveness in Africa"
  - November 25, 2021: Invited Speaker at the CBE STEPS Forum on "Competitiveness in Africa," UAE University.
- 6. "Do Global Value Chains Pull Greenfield FDI Inflows into Emerging Markets? Theory and Evidence"
  - 2022: Seminar for the School of Business Administration, American University in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, Spring 2022.
  - 2021: College of Business and Economics Research Forum, United Arab Emirates University, Spring 2021.
  - 2020: Webinar on "How Evolving Global Value Chains and Recessions Shape FDI Decisions?" Asia Competitiveness Institute (ACI), Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore, December 15, 2020.
- 7. "Financial Inclusion and Macroeconomic Volatility: An Empirical Investigation"
  - October 26, 2017: Institute for Emerging Market Studies, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Hong Kong.

- 8. "FDI Flows into BRICs: Where Do They Originate From?"
  - January 15, 2015: Institute of South Asian Studies (ISAS), National University of Singapore.

# Workshops/Forums

- 1. September 29, 2025 (Singapore): 17<sup>th</sup> Singapore Economic Policy Forum (SEPF) 2025: "Economic Policy in a Fragmented Global Environment," Economic Society of Singapore.
  - ♦ Co-Organized and Chaired a Panel Discussion on "Financial Markets and Policy Shifts: Navigating Risks in a Volatile Policy Environment."
- 2. May 30, 2022 (United Arab Emirates): 6<sup>th</sup> Forum for Research in Economics & Finance on "Post-COVID-19 Economic and Financial System Recovery"
  - Co-organizers: United Arab Emirates University, Higher Colleges of Technology, New York University Abu Dhabi, Zayed University, American University of Sharjah
- 3. November 22, 2020 (Singapore): The Post-Pandemic Future of Global Value Chains: Implications for Asia, Nanyang Business School, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.
  - ♦ Hosted and moderated the webinar for Nanyang Centre for Emerging Markets, Nanyang Business School, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore.
- 4. May 20-21, 2015 (Hong Kong): Workshop on "Understanding Financial Inclusion in Asia."
  - Co-organizers: IEMS, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology; CAG, LKY-SPP, National University of Singapore.

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English (Full Professional Proficiency) | Tamil (Native Bilingual Proficiency) | Hindi (Limited Working Proficiency) | French (Elementary Proficiency)

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