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Academic Appointments

London Business School, London, UK

- Assistant Professor of Strategy and Entrepreneurship, 2013-Present

Education

Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto

- Ph.D. in Strategic Management, 2008-2013
- Thesis Topic: Interaction between Competition, Collaboration and Innovation in Knowledge Industries
- Committee: Anita McGahan (chair), Ajay Agrawal, Sarah Kaplan, Brian Silverman

Sharif University of Technology, Iran

- Master of Business Administration, 2008
- B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering, 2006

Research Interests

Innovation and Collaboration, Specilization and Creativity, Knowledge Recombination, Science Policy

Publications

Vakili K, Zhang L, 2018. High on Creativity: The Impact of Social Liberalization Policies on Innovation. *Strategic Management Journal*, Forthcoming.

- Best Paper Award Finalist, AOM Conference 2015, TIM Division

When Collaboration Bridges Institutions: The Impact of Industry Collaboration on Academic Productivity (with Michal Bikard and Florenta Teodoridis)

- Provisionally accepted at *Organization Science*

Vakili K, 2016. Collaborative Promotion of Technology Standards and the Impact on Innovation and Industry Structure: Evidence from Modern Patent Pools. *Organization Science*, 27(6): 1504-1524.

Vakili K, McGahan A, 2016. Healthcare's Grand Challenge: Stimulating Basic Science on Diseases that Primarily Afflict the Poor. *Academy of Management Journal*, 59(6): 1917-1939.

Vakili K, McGahan A, Rezaie R, Mitchell W, Daar AS, 2015. Progress in Human Embryonic Stem Cell Research in the United States between 2001 and 2010. *PLoS ONE*, 10(3): e0120052.

Kaplan S, Vakili K, 2015. The Double-Edged Sword of Recombination in Breakthrough Innovation. *Strategic Management Journal*, 36(10): 1435-1457.

- Lead article
- Best Paper Proceedings of the AOM Conference 2012
- Winner of the Best Paper Award at the DRUID Conference 2012

Working Papers & Papers Under Review

Can Specialization Foster Creativity? Mathematics and the Collapse of the Soviet Union (with Micheal Bikard and Florenta Teodoridis)

- 2nd Revise & Resubmit at *Administrative Science Quarterly*
- Best Paper Proceedings of the AOM Conference 2017

An Inside Look: Modeling Heterogeneity in the Organization of Scientific Work (with Hazhir Rahmandad)

- Under review at *Organization Science*

Topic Modeling: Method, Theory, and Application in Management Research (with Dev Jennings, Sarah Kaplan, Tim Hannigan, Richard Haans, Venn Glaser, and Milo Wang)

- Proposal accepted at *Academy of Management Annals*

Organizing for Innovation: A Contingency Perspective on Innovative Team Composition (with Sarah Kaplan)

- Preparing for journal submission

The Research Money Can't Buy: The Impact of Federal Funding on Scientists' Research Behavior (with Michael Blomfield)

- Preparing for journal submission

Work in Progress

Collaborating out of Discrimination

- Data collection and analysis in progress

IP Rights and the Diffusion of Basic Science

- Data collection and analysis in progress

Cases and Teaching Materials

Ethiraj S, Vakili K, Zuzul T. 2015. *The Petroleum Industry in the UK*. London Business School.

Ethiraj S, Vakili K, Zuzul T. 2015. *Tesco and UK Food and Grocery Retail Industry in 2015*. London Business School.

Ethiraj S, Vakili K, Zuzul T. 2015. *Transocean and Patterson-UTI*. London Business School.

Ethiraj S, Vakili K, Zuzul T. 2015. *Red Bull Enters the United States*. London Business School.

Teaching

London Business School

- 2013-2017: Core Strategy, MBA Programme
- 2016-2017: Core Strategy, EMBA Programme
- 2015-2017: London Business Experience, MBA Programme
- 2015-2016: Strategy, Master in Finance Programme
- 2015-2016: Global Business Experience, EMBA Programme
- 2015-2016: Innovation & Entrepreneurship, PhD Programme

Honors, Awards, & Scholarships

- 2015: AOM TIM Division Best Paper Award Finalist
- 2014: AOM BPS Division Best Dissertation Award Finalist
- 2012: Winner of the Best Paper Award (joint with Sarah Kaplan), DRUID Conference 2012
- 2012: REER Conference Best Student Paper Award Finalist

Invited Presentations

- 2017: Grenoble School of Management; University of Bath; ESMT Berlin; Rotman (UofT)
- 2016: 7th Annual Economics of Strategy Workshop at NYU Stern School of Business; Maryland Entrepreneurship Conference; Tilburg University; ESSEC University
- 2015: NBER Summer Institute, Innovation Policy and the Economy. Cambridge, MA
- 2013: Harvard Business School, Strategy Unit; Harvard Business School, Entrepreneurial Management Unit; University of Maryland, Management & Organization; University of Southern California, Management & Organization; Duke University, Strategy; HEC Paris, Strategy & Business Policy; IESE Business School, Entrepreneurship; CBS, Department of Innovation and Organizational Economics; Bocconi, Economics and Management of Innovation and Technology; London Business School, Strategy & Entrepreneurship; NUS Business School, Strategy & Policy; Singapore Management University, Strategy and Organization; Temple University, Strategic Management;

Conference Presentations

- Academy of Management Conference (AOM 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017), Strategic Management Society Conference (SMS 2011, 2012, 2014, 2017), DRUID Conference (2012, 2014), Tuck Summer Camp (2014, 2016), Consortium for Competitiveness and Cooperation (CCC 2012, 2014), Smith Entrepreneurship Research Conference (2012, 2016), NBER Entrepreneurship Research Bootcamp (2011)

Professional Activities

- Member of the Editorial Board of the Strategic Management Journal (2015-present)
- Representative-at-Large at Strategic Management Society, Knowledge & Innovation Interest Group - Member of the BPS Research Committee (2015-2017), Academy of Management
- Ad hoc reviewer for Organization Science; Management Science; and Research Policy;

RECENT Non-Academic Experience

- 2014-present: Member of the Advisory Board, Blanlink Inc.
- 2016-present: Member of the Advisory Board, PersiangGig Corp.
- 2007-2008: Founder and CEO, Afiction Games Inc.