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RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

- Economic geography
- Innovation Studies
- Innovation Policy
- Knowledge Based Economy
- Entrepreneurship
- Food security
- Creative economy

EDUCATION

- **PhD in Urban Studies** 2012
University of Quebec in Montreal (Canada)
- **Master in Management of innovation** 2006
University of Quebec in Chicoutimi (Canada)
- **B.A. Finance** 2002
Institut supérieur de gestion de Tunis (Tunisia)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Assistant Professor of Policy, Planning, and Development** Since August 2016
Department of International Affairs, Qatar University
- **Lecturer in Geography** 2014-2016
Department of Humanities, Qatar University
- **Lecturer in Geography** 2013-2014
University of Quebec in Montréal, Department of Geography
- **Lecturer in Geography** Winter 2013
University of Burgundy, Department of Geography (Dijon, France)
- **Lecturer in Geography** 2009-2012
University of Quebec in Montréal, Department of Geography
- **Teaching Assistant** 2008-2009
University of Quebec in Montréal, Department of Geography

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- **Postdoctoral Fellowship** February-August 2014
The Canada Research Chair on the Socio-Organizational Challenges of the Knowledge Economy, Montreal (Canada)
- **Postdoctoral Fellowship** 2012- 2013
Centre d'économie et sociologie appliquées à l'agriculture et aux Espaces Ruraux (CESAER), Dijon (France)
- **Research assistant** 2007-2011
The Canada Research Chair on the Socio-Organizational Challenges of the Knowledge Economy and the Innovation Systems Research Network (ISRN)
- **Research assistant** 2005-2007
Center for Research on Social Innovations (CRISES), UQAM

PUBLICATIONS

- Ben Hassen, T. (2020). The Entrepreneurial Ecosystem in the ICT Sector In Qatar: Local Advantages and Constraints. Journal of Small Business and Enterprise Development (Accepted).
- Ben Hassen, T. and H. El Bilali (2020). Knowledge and Innovation in Agriculture: Contribution to Food Security and Sustainability. In: Leal Filho W., Azul A., Brandli L., Özuyar P., Wall T. (eds) Zero Hunger. Encyclopedia of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Springer, Cham.
- Ben Hassen, T. and H. El Bilali. (2019). Food Security in the Gulf Cooperation Council Countries: Challenges and Prospects. Journal of Food Security. 7 (5) pp. 159-169. DOI: 10.12691/jfs-7-5-2
- Ben Hassen T. and H. El Bilali (2019). Food Security in Qatar: The Blockade of 2017 as an Opportunity Towards a Productive and Sustainable Local Food Production. Proceedings of the 10th International Agriculture Symposium “AGROSYM 2019”; October 3-6, 2019. Jahorina (Bosnia and Herzegovina), pp. 1337-1343. ISBN 978-99976-787-2-0 :
http://agrosym.ues.rs.ba/agrosym/agrosym_2019/BOOK_OF_PROCEEDINGS_2019_FINAL.pdf
- Ben Hassen, T. (2019). Entrepreneurship, ICT and innovation: state of Qatar transformation to a knowledge-based economy, in H. Alkhateeb, (Ed), Political, Economic and Social Issues, Qatar. Nova Publisser, pp. 193-208. ISBN: 978-1-53615-221-0
- Ben Hassen, T. and D.-G. Tremblay. (2019). Local rooting and creativity within the fashion industry in Beirut. EuroMed Journal of Business, 14 (2) pp. 92-109. DOI: 10.1108/EMJB-12-2018-0090
- Ben Hassen, T. (2018). Knowledge and innovation in the lebanese software industry. Cogent Social Sciences, 4 (1), 1-17. DOI: 10.1080/23311886.2018.1509416
- Ben Hassen, T., M. Martin and C. Tanguy. (2013). Logistique et stratégies d'innovations des acteurs de la filière viticole bourguignonne. Conference paper. 50th congress of the Association de sciences régionales de la langue française (ASRDLF). July, 8-11, 2013, Mons (Belgium).
- Ben Hassen, T. (2012). Le système régional d'innovation de l'aéronautique à Montréal entre dynamiques territoriales et sectorielle. CRISES working paper.

- Ben Hassen, T., J.-L. Klein and D.-G. Tremblay. (2012). Interorganizational Relations, Proximity, and Innovation: The Case of the Aeronautics Sector in Montreal. The Canadian Journal of Urban Research (CJUR), 21, 1: 52-78.
- Tremblay, D.-G., J.-L. Klein, T. Ben Hassen and A. Dossou-Yovo. (2012). Les acteurs intermédiaires dans le développement de l'innovation : une comparaison intersectorielle dans la région de Montréal (Intermediary actors and innovation: an intersectoral comparison in the Montreal region). Revue d'Economie Régionale et Urbaine (RERU) 3 : 431-454.
- Ben Hassen, T., J.-L. Klein and D.-G. Tremblay. (2011). Building local nodes in a global sector: intermediation in clustering within the aeronautic industry in Montreal. The Canadian Geographer, 55: 439–456.
- David Doloreux, D.-G. Tremblay, J.-L. Klein, S. Dionne and T. Ben Hassen. (2011). Intervention publique sur le développement de grappes industrielles au Québec. The Canadian Geographer, 55: 426–438.
- Ben Hassen, T. (2010). Les politiques de soutien au développement de l'agroénergie : repérage International. Research report for the Institute for Research on Contemporary Economics (IREC).
- Ben Hassen, T. (2010). Capital social, territoire et histoire : le système régional d'innovation de l'aéronautique à Montréal. CRISES working paper.
- Ben Hassen, T. (2009). Toulouse, l'avion et la ville, Jalabert G. and J.-M. Zuliani. Canadian Journal of Regional Science, 32 (3) : 511-514. Book review.
- Ben Hassen, T. (2008). Cartographie des organismes de soutien aux entreprises de la sous-traitance en aérospatiale au Québec. Research report for Aéro Montréal.
- Klein, J.-L., J.-M. Fontan and T. Ben Hassen. (2008). Interaction d'acteurs et politiques de développement économique et régional: repérage international et description sommaire. Research report for the commandé par le Ministère du Développement économique, de l'Innovation et de l'Exportation (MDEIE).
- Ben Hassen, T. (2005). Où en sommes-nous avec la grappe de l'aluminium? Revue Organisations et territoires. 14 (2).
- Ben Hassen, T. (2005). L'option de l'alliance stratégique avec la Côte-Nord dans la Vallée de l'aluminium. Research report for the Société de la Vallée de l'aluminium.

WORKSHOP AND CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference | October 2020 |
| <p>“Enhancing Food security in Qatar: Towards A Productive, Innovation-Driven And Sustainable Local Food Production”</p> <p>Qatar University Doha (Qatar)</p> | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference | 27-28 October 2019 |
| <p>“Knowledge-Based Economy in Qatar: Trends and Opportunities For Interdisciplinary Research And Policy Making”</p> <p>Qatar University, Doha (Qatar)</p> | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Workshop | 29 October 2018 |
| <p>“Creativity and Cultural Industries in Qatar: Trends and Opportunities for Interdisciplinary Research and Policy Making”</p> <p>11th International Conference for Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Regional Development (ICEIRD). Doha (Qatar)</p> | |

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Ben Hassen, T. 2019. Stimiluting Innovation and Entrepreneurship in a Rentier State: Case Of Qatar. International symposium on government incentives for stimulating innovation and entrepreneurship. Doha (Qatar), 11 December.
- Ben Hassen, T. and H. El Bilali. 2019. Food security in Qatar: the Blockade of 2017 as an opportunity towards a productive and sustainable local food production. International Agriculture Symposium, AGROSYM, 2019. Jahorina (Bosnia and Herzegovina), 4 October.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2019. Between economic diversification and the rentier state model: factors shaping entrepreneurship in the ICT sector in Qatar. 4th Gulf Studies Symposium, American University of Kuwait. Kuwait, March 16.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2018. The entrepreneurship and the innovation “buzz” in the MENA region, a fashion or a sustainable process? Case of the software sectors in Qatar and Lebanon. 11th International Conference for Entrepreneurship, Innovation and Regional Development (ICEIRD). Doha (Qatar), October 29-31.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2018. The dynamics and challenges of the ICT entrepreneurship ecosystem in Qatar. Southern Regional Science Association conference. Philadelphia (USA), March 16th.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2017. The emergence of the entrepreneurial ecosystem in Lebanon: a new economic transition toward the knowledge based economy?: Community College of Qatar, 4th Humanities Conference. Doha (Qatar), March 30th.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2016. Innovation, proximity and knowledge based economy: lessons from the ICT Lebanese sector. Presented at the “Setting the stage for a knowledge-based economy in the Gulf - with a focus on Qatar” Conference. HEC Paris Qatar. Doha (Qatar), October, 26th.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2012. Le système de l’innovation de l’aéronautique à Montréal entre dynamiques territoriales et sectorielles. Presented at the CESAER research seminar, Dijon (France), October 22th.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2012. Dynamiques territoriales et systèmes sectoriels d’innovation. Presented at the Summer school- Réseau de Recherche sur l’Innovation. Montpellier (France), August 30th.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2012. Vers une autre forme de proximité: la proximité sectorielle. Cas de l’aéronautique à Montréal. Presented at the International conference about proximity (Journées de la proximité). Montreal, May 22th.
- Ben Hassen, T., J.-L. Klein and D.-G. Tremblay. 2011. L’aéronautique à Montréal entre régulation sectorielle et gouvernance territoriale. Presented at the 77th Congress of the Association canadienne-française pour l’avancement des sciences (ACFAS). Conference : Ruralité, urbanité et milieux transitionnels : l’aménagement et le développement à l’épreuve de la nature des territoires. Sherbrooke, May 11th.
- Ben Hassen, T. 2011. Does place and geography still matter? Yes, thank God. (Communication par affiche). Presented at the International conference of CRISES. Montréal, April 7th.

FUNDING AND GRANTS

- **Conference & Workshop Sponsorship Program (CWSP)** **November 2019**
16900 \$
CWSP17-C-0902-19012
Qatar National Research Fund (QNRF)
Conference: Enhancing Food security in Qatar: Towards
A Productive, Innovation-Driven And Sustainable Local
Food Production (15-16 March 2020)
- **Conference & Workshop Sponsorship Program (CWSP)** **May 2019**
15900 \$
CWSP16-C-0213-19006
Qatar National Research Fund (QNRF)
Conference: Knowledge-Based Economy In Qatar:
Trends and Opportunities For Interdisciplinary Research
and Policy (27-28 October 2019)
- **Annual Research Competition on Entrepreneurship 2017** **June 2017-May 2018**
Center for Entrepreneurship (CFE) (Qatar University)
49,466 QR
Research project: Qatar's ICT Ecosystem Roadmap:
challenges and opportunities

ACADEMIC ADVISING

- **Co-Supervised Research** **Since September 2018**
Advised: Fatima Hamood Al-Dhaheri, Master of Arts
(MA) in Gulf Studies (Qatar University)
Thesis title: Qatar Transition into a knowledge-based
economy: The role of Education
- **Co-Supervised Research** **Since September 2018**
Advised: Mohammed Al-Maadeed, Master of Arts (MA)
in Gulf Studies (Qatar University)

LANGUAGES AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

Languages: Arabic, English and French
Computer science: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Prezi