

2016 Emerging Economies Doctoral Student Award Recipients and Finalists

The Production and Operations Management Society (POMS) created the ***Emerging Economies Doctoral Student Award*** to encourage the development of future scholars in emerging economies and to begin to build connections between these future scholars and POMS. To be eligible for an award, an applicant has to be enrolled in a Ph.D. program in Operations Management or a related discipline offered by a university in a country belonging to one of the following three regions – Africa, Asia-Pacific, and Latin America and the Caribbean. For 2016, POMS appointed a committee comprised of Chair, Professor Nagesh N. Murthy (University of Oregon), Professors Jan Fransoo (Eindhoven University of Technology), Amit Eynan (University of Richmond), Sergio Eduardo Gouvea da Costa (Universidade Tecnológica Federal do Paraná), and Peter Robertson (University of Wollongong). The committee was charged with recommending recipients for the award. The committee is pleased to recognize the following five individuals as the ***2016 Emerging Economies Doctoral Student Award*** recipients. The committee has also recognized three additional individuals as EEDSA finalists.

EEDSA Recipients

Michael Oluwaseun Olomu is a doctoral student at the African Institute of Science Policy and Innovation, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria. He is also a researcher in the Science Policy Research and Innovation Studies Department at the National Centre for Technology Management, an Agency of the Federal Ministry of Science and Technology, Nigeria. He received a Diploma Certificate in Economics and Statistics from University of Ado-Ekiti (now Ekiti State University, Ado-Ekiti), Nigeria in 2002 and a Bachelor's Degree in Economics from the same institution in 2007. He earned a Master of Science in Technology Management in 2015 from the African Institute for Science Policy and Innovation, Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Nigeria. His research interests are in the areas of Innovation Management, Science Policy, E-Marketing and Entrepreneurship among others with major focus on Information and Communications Technology in the manufacturing industries. Mr. Olomu has participated in several conferences/workshops/seminars and published articles in several international journals.



Marcia Regina Santiago Scarpin is a doctoral student in Operations Management and Competitiveness at the EAESP/FGV School, Brazil. She holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from University of Blumenau - FURB, Brazil. In 2015, she was a visiting student at the Indiana University – IUPUI. Her previous research has been accepted for publication in international journals. She has also presented her work at various national and international conferences. Presently, she is conducting her dissertation research on operational practices, operational capabilities, and operational performance. Her research interests include operations management and competitiveness, operations research techniques, supply chain management risk, innovation, system modeling and simulation. She teaches Operations Management in the MBA Program at Instituto de Ensino e Pesquisa – INSPER, Brazil.



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Qiuping Huang is a doctoral candidate in the Supply Chain Financing (SCF) area at South China University of Technology (SCUT), China. She received her Master of E-commerce degree and Bachelor of E-commerce degree from School of Economics and Commerce at SCUT, Guangzhou, China. She is currently a visiting student at the Department of Management, University of Notre Dame. She is looking to solve SCF problems faced by banks and clients with strong Chinese characteristics. Specifically, her main areas of interest are risk management and adoption behavior in SCF. Her previous research has been published in various international journals. For her dissertation, Qiuping is working on the effects of internet platform and Information and Communication Technology (ICT) on the transaction costs, improvements in the assessment and control of credit risk in SCF, and the effects of supply chain management on the adoption behavior of SCF. She has presented her thesis work in international conferences including the 2013 IDSI-APDSI Conference.



Gopalakrishnan Narayanamurthy is a doctoral student in the area of Quantitative Methods and Operations Management at the Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode (IIMK). He received his bachelor's degree in biomedical engineering from Anna University in 2012 (university rank holder and gold medalist). His doctoral dissertation focuses on assessing process improvements in healthcare industry by using econometric techniques and mathematical models. His dissertation proposal received the prestigious Fulbright-Nehru Doctoral Research Award for the year 2015-2016. As a Fulbright scholar, he worked on his dissertation in the Supply Chain & Operations Department at Carlson School of Management, University of Minnesota. He has interned at hospitals for his dissertation, both in India and U.S., to understand the operational processes involved in healthcare delivery. His research papers, both from his dissertation and course works, have been presented in reputed international OM conferences such as INFORMS, POMS, DSI, and EurOMA. He has also published several interesting teaching case studies that have won awards from reputed publishing houses such as the Emerald Emerging Market Case Studies (EEMCS) and Case Centre (ECCH).



Yamini S. is a doctoral candidate in the Operations Management (OM) area at the Department of Management Studies (DoMS), Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Madras. She received a Master of Science (by research) degree from DoMS, IIT Madras, and a Bachelor of Engineering degree in Industrial Engineering from the College of Engineering Guindy, Anna University, Chennai, India. She worked for Cognizant Technology Solutions - Chennai for one year. She is a recipient of the scholarship awarded by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD, India) during the Masters of Science program and the Ph.D. program. Yamini received the Highly Commended Paper Award by Emerald Publishers in the Doctoral Consortium conducted at the 19th Annual International Conference of the Society of Operations Management (SOM), Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Calcutta, India, 2015. Her Master's Thesis was selected as one of the three finalists for EthOR Award 2013, which was organised by the EURO Working Group on Ethics and OR in the 26th EURO-INFORMS Joint International Conference, Rome, Italy, 2013. She also received the Best Research Paper Award in the Doctoral Consortium conducted at the 16th Annual International Conference of the Society of Operations Management (SOM), IIT Delhi, India, 2012. She has worked on



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projects and internships in various leading industries. Her research interests are in the areas of Procrastination, Planning fallacy, Supply Chain Contracts, Principal-Agent problem, Game theory and Prospect Theory.

EEDSA Finalists

Emmanuel Makanjuola Ogunjemilua is currently a Freelance Research Assistant and Business Consultant. He is also a Ph.D. Fellow at the African Institute for Science Policy and Innovation at Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife, Osun State, Nigeria. He received a National Diploma in Statistics in 2007 at Federal Polytechnic Ede, a Bachelor's Degree in Economics in 2011 and a Master's Degree in Technology Management in 2015 at Obafemi Awolowo University, Ile-Ife respectively. He is working on his doctoral thesis titled "Impact of Human Capital and Innovations on the Performance of Micro, Small, and Medium Technical Enterprises in Nigeria". He has been trained in Hardware and Network Management in 2012 at KarROX Institute in India. Mr. Ogunjemilua has participated in conferences and workshops and published articles in international journals.



Sreedevi R is a doctoral candidate in the department of Production and Operations Management at the Indian Institute of Management (IIM), Bangalore. She received her Master of Engineering degree in Textile Engineering (2005) from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Delhi and a Bachelor of Technology degree in Textile Technology (2003) from Madras University with 1st rank. She worked as a Manager, Operations for Arvind Mills Limited - Ahmedabad for two years. She has about three years of research experience earned before joining the doctoral program at IIM Bangalore, and also holds a US patent for one of her research projects, carried out at IIT Delhi. Her dissertation focuses on the empirical investigation of the drivers of supply chain risk, risk perception and the role of different supply chain risk mitigation strategies. She has presented her thesis work in various national and international conferences. Her research interests include supply chain risk management, logistics and behavioral operations.



Milind Shrikant Padalkar is a doctoral candidate in the Quantitative Methods and Operations Management (QM & OM) area at the Indian Institute of Management, Kozhikode. He received his Master's degree from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad and Bachelor's degree from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi. He has worked in several top management roles in multiple companies in the information technology industry, having been responsible for profit center management, launch of new businesses, and turn-around strategies. He has published several papers in peer-reviewed journals and international conferences. He has designed and delivered training programs on critical reasoning, root cause analysis, group effectiveness, and conflict resolution. His major research interests include management of large and complex projects, behavioral operations, energy studies, public policy, organizational effectiveness, game theory, Bayesian inference, and research methodologies.

