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1. SUMMARY OF CV:

Professor Nicholas Biekpe is currently the President of Africagrowth Institute and a Visiting Professor of Development Finance and Econometrics at the University of Cape Town Business School and Wits Business School. He is also a Visiting Senior Research Fellow at the Queen's University Belfast (UK). Until recently, he was Professor of Development Finance and Econometrics at the University of Stellenbosch Business School and Director of the Africa Centre for Investment Analysis at the University.

He has an MSc Applied Statistics and Operational Research (London) and PhD in International Finance (Queens, UK). Professor Biekpe is a Chartered Statistician & Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society of Great Britain and a Chartered Scientist of the Science Council of the United Kingdom. He is the Executive Editor of the African Finance Journal, Executive Editor of Review of Development Finance and the Africagrowth Agenda Magazine.

Nicholas is a member of the Southern African Finance Association and member of Economic Society of South Africa. He is also a member of the Africa Capacity Building Foundation (ACBF) Technical Advisory Panel and Network on National Statistics. Nicholas is a Board Member of the South African Savings Institute and a member of Council of the Africa Institute of South Africa. He is also a member of the Academy of Sciences of South Africa.

Professor Biekpe has consulted extensively in the area of development finance for a number of African and international organisations including the UNDP, UNEP, UNECA, DFID, the World Bank, DBSA, Ford Foundation, Kellogg Foundation, South African Government, other African Governments and other private sector institutions. He has published widely in accredited academic journals and is a six-times recipient of the University of Stellenbosch Business School's Award for Research Excellence and two-times recipient of the Vice Chancellor's Award for Research Excellence. Professor Biekpe supervises a number of doctoral and masters students in the broad area of development finance. Over the last eleven years Nicholas raised several millions rand for projects at the University of Stellenbosch and Africagrowth Institute.

2. EDUCATION:

PhD in International Finance, Queen's University Belfast 1996, (UK);
MSc in Applied Statistics and Operational Research, University of London, 1991, (UK);
Chartered Statistician (CStat) and Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society (UK);
Chartered Scientist (CSci) of the Science Council of UK;
BSc (Hon) in Mathematics, UST, 1986, (Ghana).

3. CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

Visiting Professor of Development Finance and Econometrics at University of Cape Town Business School; May 2009- Present;

Visiting Professor of Development Finance and Econometrics at Wits Business School April 2009- Present;

Visiting Senior Research Fellow at Queen's University Belfast, UK; September 2009-present

4. PREVIOUS ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Professor of Development Finance and Econometrics, Graduate School of Business, University of Stellenbosch, Appointed September 2003-April 2009

Director of Africa Centre for Investment Analysis, Graduate School of Business, University of Stellenbosch, Appointed from 1998-2006

Director of Masters in Development Finance Program, Graduate School of Business, University of Stellenbosch; August 2003-May 2006

Associate Professor of Development Finance and Econometrics, Graduate School of Business, University of Stellenbosch, Appointed 2002-2003

Senior Lecturer in Development Finance and Econometrics, Graduate School of Business, University of Stellenbosch, Appointed from 1998-2001

Visiting Professor of Development Finance and Econometrics, Emerging Markets Research Centre at University of Salford, UK; Appointed 2002-2003

Lecturer in Finance and Econometrics, University of Wales, Aberystwyth, Appointed from 1996-1998

Part-time Lecturer in Econometrics (MSc Finance Program), The Queen's University of Belfast. (1993-1995)

5. PAST ACADEMIC COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Member of the Rector's Committee on Employment Equity and Transformation (University of Stellenbosch; 2005;

Member of Board of Africa Centre for Investment Analysis (1998-2006);

Chairman of Research Committee, Africa Centre for Investment Analysis; 1998-2006;

Member of PhD Committee (2002-2006)

6. CURRENT INDUSTRY APPOINTMENTS

President: Africagrowth Institute; April 2004-Present

Director: African Investment Climate Research 2006-present

Board Member: Africa Institute of South Africa (AISA);2007-Present

Board Member; South Africa Savings Institute (2004-Present)

Chairman of Scientific Committee; South African SMME Business Confidence Index; 2006-Present

7. CURRENT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENTS

Chairman of the Organizing Committee of the Annual Africa SMME Conference and Awards; 2005-Present;

Chairman of Organizing Committee of the South Africa SMME Conference and Awards; 2006-Present;

Coordinator of Africagrowth-Xstrata Unemployed Graduates Internship Program; 2003-Present

8. PAST INDUSTRY APPOINTMENTS:

Part-time Researcher at Northern Ireland Economic Research Centre, Appointed 1992-1996;

Statistician, St George's Hospital Medical School, London, Appointed 1992;

Statistician, SmithKline Beecham, London, Appointed in 1992;

Statistician, Clinical Data Management, London, Appointed in 1991;

Civil Servant, Department of Social Security, London, Appointed from 1990-1991;

9. EDITORIAL BOARD MEMBERSHIP

Executive Editor: *Review of Development Finance*; 2009-Present

Executive Editor: *The African Finance Journal*; 1999-present

Executive Editor: *Africagrowth Agenda Magazine*; 2004-Present

10. ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIP AND OTHER AFFILIATIONS:

- Member of the Academy of Sciences of South Africa;(2006-Present)
- President of African Finance Association (2002-2008)
- Executive Editor of the African Finance Journal (1999-Present)
- Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society of Great Britain (1990-Present)
- Member of the South African Finance Association (1998-Present)

- Member of the Economics Society of South Africa 2004-present

11. PRIZES & HONOURS:

Awarded the University of Stellenbosch Business School (USB) Research Excellence Award in 2001
 Awarded the UBS Research Excellence Award in 2002
 Awarded the UBS Research Excellence Award in 2005
 Awarded the UBS Research Excellence Award in 2006
 Awarded the US Research Excellence Award for 2007
 Awarded the US Research Excellence Award for 2008
 Awarded Vice-Chancellor's Award for Research Excellence in 2003
 Awarded the Vice-Chancellor's Award for Research Excellence in 2007
 Awarded Northern Ireland Scholarship for PhD Program
 Awarded Birkbeck College Scholarship for MSc Program
 Awarded the British Accounting Review prize for best paper in 1998

12. EXTERNAL EXAMINER AT:

University of Cape Town (1998-present)
 University of Witwatersrand (2007-present)
 University of Western Cape (2003-2006)
 University of Botswana (2007-present)
 University of Salford (2002-2003)

13. MAJOR SPONSORSHIPS AND GRANTS (1998-2009):

BOE Merchant Bank- R2.4 Million (1998)
 Oracle- R300 000 (2000)
 Sanlam Investment Managers- R800 000 (2001)
 Bernard Jacob Mellet Securities- R160 000 (2001)
 World Bank- R300 000 (2001)
 Old Mutual Asset Management- R60 000 (2001)
 Reuters - R50 000 (2000)
 Barclays Bank- R60 000 (2003)
 Engen- R40 000 (2000)
 DBSA- R2.5 Million (2004)
 Xstrata- R200 000 (2004)
 Ford Foundation- \$60 000 (2003)
 FinMark Trust- R100 000 (2004)
 Khula Enterprise Finance- R100 000 (2005)
 Xstrata R3.2 Million (2005-2009);
 WK Kellogg Foundation \$800 000 (2007-2009)
 Industrial Development Corporation R1.3Million (2006-2008)

14. MAJOR CONSULTING WORK

Lead Researcher: "Monitoring & Evaluation of DBSA core activities". Work done for the Development Bank of Southern Africa (2006)

Lead Researcher: “Modelling Economic benefits of the Investment Climate Facility”: Work done for the UK Department for International Development (DFID) (2003);

Lead Researcher: “*Pattern of Regional Trade within SADC*”. Work done for the UK Department for International Development (DFID) (2002)

Lead Researcher: “*Investment Opportunities in sub-Saharan Africa*” Work was done for African Merchant Bank (2001)

Lead Researcher: “*Corporate Governance in Rwanda*”. Work done for the Africa Peer Review Mechanism, NEPAD (2005)

Lead Researcher: “*Review of the South African Government SMME strategy*”. Work was done for the Ford Foundation (2000)

Lead Researcher: “*Mobilising Resources for Africa’s Development*” Work done for NEPAD (2004)

Lead Researcher: “*Product Development: Savings, Housing and Insurance for the Poor*”. Work was done for the Ford Foundation (2003)

Lead Researcher: “*South African Government’s Tax Holiday Scheme*”. Work was done for the South African government (1999)

Lead Researcher: “*Dynamics of Emerging African Stock markets*”. Work was done for the UNDP (2000)

15. PUBLICATION RECORDS

15.1 JOURNAL ARTICLES

15.1.1 Forthcoming Journal articles:

Biekpe, N. and JM Kiweu (2009) “Leveraging Donor Funds: The Switch to Commercial Funding” forthcoming in *Managerial Finance Journal; Volume 35 Issue 12*

15.1.2 Published Journal Articles

Abor, J. and Biekpe, N. (2009), How do we explain the Capital Structure of SMEs in Sub-Saharan Africa?: Evidence from Ghana, *Journal of Economic Studies Volume 36 issue 1 pp.83-97*

Adjasi, CKD and N Biekpe (2009): *Do Stock Markets Matter in Investment Growth in Africa? The Journal of Developing Areas - Volume 43, Number 1, Fall 2009, pp. 109-120*

Ocran, M. K. and N. Biekpe, (2008), "Agricultural Supply Response in Ghana", *Journal of Economic Studies*, Vol. 35, No 3. pp. 224-235

MK Ocran and N Biekpe (2008): Primary commodity export and in sub Sahara Africa: Evidence from panel data analysis, *South African Journal of Economic and Management Sciences*, Vol. 11 No.4. pp.465-474

Floquet, K. and N Biekpe (2008): "The relationship between capital structure and risk in emerging markets banks", *Banks and Bank Systems*, Vol.3 Issue 1, pp. 63-74

Keegan, K and N Biekpe (2008) "The Relationship between Capital Structure and Risk in Emerging Market Banks", *Problems and Perspectives in Management*, Volume 6, Issue 4, pp. 24-36

Ocran M., and N. Biekpe (2007): Forecasting volatility in Sub-Saharan Africa's commodity markets" *Forthcoming in Journal of "Investment Management and Financial Innovations*; Vol. 4; Issue 2, 2007

Ocran M., and N. Biekpe (2007): The role of commodity prices in macroeconomic policy in South Africa; *South African Journal of Economics* Vol. 75:2 June 2007 pp. 213-220

C Mlambo and N Biekpe The efficient market hypothesis: Evidence from ten African stock markets, *Investment Analysts Journal*; No 66 pp.5-17.

Kyereboah-Coleman, A & Biekpe, N (2007). "On the Determinants of Board Size and its Composition: Additional Evidence from Ghana", *Journal of Accounting and Organizational Change*, Vol.3(1),pp.68-77

Abor, J. and Biekpe, N. (2007), Small Business Reliance on Bank Financing in Ghana, *Emerging Market Finance & Trade*, Vol. 43(4), pp. 93 – 102

Abor, J. and Biekpe, N. (2007), Corporate Governance, Ownership Structure, and Performance of SMEs in Ghana: Implications for Financing Opportunities, *Corporate Governance: International Journal of Business in Society*, Vol. 7(3), pp. 288-30

Ocran, M. and Biekpe, N. (2007): "Trends and volatility in sub-Saharan Africa's key primary commodity markets" *South African Journal of Economic and Management Sciences*, March, Vol. 10 (1), pp. 116-129

Biekpe, N and C. Mlambo (2007): "The small-firm and price-earning effects: Evidence from African Stock Markets" *Research in Accounting in Emerging Economies*, Vol. 7, pp. 389-403, Elsevier Publication

Mlambo C.; and N. Biekpe (2006): ""Seasonal Effects: Evidence from Emerging African Stock Markets" *South African Journal of Business Management*, Vol. 37; September Issue; pp 41-39

Abor, J. and Biekpe, N. (2006), The South African Financial Market and Financing Choice of SMEs, *Journal of Business and Society*, Vol. 19(1/2), pp. 187-201

Abor, Joshua and N. Biekpe (2006), How are SMEs Financed? Evidence from the Ghanaian Non-Traditional Export Sector, *Environment and Planning C: Government and Policy*, Vol. 24(1), pp. 71-81, 2006

Abor, Joshua and N. Biekpe (2006), SMEs' Access to Debt Finance: A Comparison of Male-Owned and Female-Owned Businesses in Ghana, *International Journal of Entrepreneurship and Innovation*, Vol. 7(2), pp. 105 - 112, UK

Abor, Joshua and N. Biekpe (2006), Corporate Board Characteristics and the Capital Structure Decisions of Ghanaian SMEs, *Corporate Ownership and Control Journal*, Vol. 4(1), pp. 113-118.

Abor, Joshua and N. Biekpe (2006), Small Business Financing Initiatives in Ghana, *Problems and Perspectives in Management*, 4(3), pp. 69-77.

Abor, Joshua and N. Biekpe (2006), An Empirical Test of the Agency Problems and Capital Structure of South African Quoted SMEs, *SA Journal of Accounting Research*, Vol. 20(1), pp. 51-65

Kyereboah-Coleman, A. & Biekpe, N., (2006). "Do boards and CEOs matter for bank performance? A comparative analysis of Banks in Ghana. *Journal of Corporate Ownership and Control*, Vol.4 (1), pp.119-126

Kyereboah-Coleman, A. & Biekpe, N., (2006). "The link between corporate governance and performance of the Non-Traditional Export sector: Evidence from Ghana". *Corporate Governance: International Journal of Business and Society*, Vol. 6(5), pp.609-623

Kyereboah-Coleman, A. & Biekpe, N., (2006). "The relationship between board size, board composition, CEO duality and firm performance: experience from Ghana". *Journal of Corporate Ownership and Control*, Vol. 4 (2), pp.114-122,

Adjasi CKD and N.B. Biekpe (2006) Stock Market Development and Economic Growth: The Case of Selected African Countries *African Development Review*, Vol. 18 No. 1 pp. 144-161

Adjasi Charles K.D and Nicholas B Biekpe (2006) Cointegration and Dynamic Causal Links amongst African Stock Markets *Investment Management and Financial Innovations* Vol. 4 pp 102-119

Adjasi Charles K.D and Nicholas Biekpe (2006) Interest Rate Policy and Stock Returns: The African Case *African Finance Journal* Vol. 8 (2) pp. 12-30

Kyereboah-Coleman, A & Biekpe, N (2006). "Corporate governance and Financing Choices of Firms: A Panel Data Analysis", *South African Journal of Economics*, Vol.74(4), pp.670-681

Abor, Joshua and N. Biekpe (2005): "What Determines the Capital Structure of Listed Firms in Ghana?", *African Finance Journal*, Vol. 7(1), pp. 37-48.

Biekpe, N and C Mlambo (2005): "Thin Trading on African Stock Markets: Implications for Market Efficiency Testing" *Investment Analyst Journal* No 61, pp 29-48

Biekpe, N (2004): "Financing Small Businesses in Sub-Saharan Africa: Review of some key credit lending models and impact on venture capital provision", *Journal of African Business*, Vol. 5(1), pp. 29-44

Biekpe, N Klumpes, P and Tippett, M (2003) "Analytic Solutions for the Value of the Option to (Dis)Invest" *Real R&D Options by Butterworth-Heinemann Finance, Elsevier Science*, pp 67-90

Ganief. S. and N. Biekpe (2003) "Measuring Market Risk Using Extreme Value Theory" An Empirical Study Using South African Rand/Dollar One-Year Future Contract" *African Finance Journal*, Vol. 5 (1) pp. 68-86

Mlambo C. ; N. Biekpe and Evd M Smit (2003) "Testing the random walk hypothesis on thinly traded markets: The case of few African stock markets" *African Finance Journal*, Vol. 5 (1) pp. 16-34

Volschenck, J and N. Biekpe (2003): "Problems experienced by South African Microfinance Institutions: Priorities and Trends" *South African Journal of Business Management*, Vol. 34(1), pp. 13-26

Biekpe, N and D Collins (2003) "Contagion: A Fear for African Equity Markets?" *Journal of Economics and Business*, Vol. 55 (33), pp.285-297

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Biekpe, N and T. Fish (2002): "Regional African Stock markets indices" *South African Journal of Business Management* 33(1) pp 11-19

Biekpe, N (2002): Modelling exchange rate variations using principal components analysis: A note, *Studies in Economics and Econometrics*, 26(2), pp 81-85

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Biekpe, N and C Mlambo (2001) "Review of Africa Stock Markets", *Investment Analyst Journal*, 54, pp 61-65

Biekpe, N and K Jenkins (2001) "Evaluating Portfolio Performance" *African Finance Journal*, 3(2), pp 51-55

Biekpe, N (2001) "Modelling Exchange Rates Returns using a Nested Design Model", *Journal for Studies in Economics and Econometrics*, 25(3), 105-113

Biekpe, N Klumpes, P and Tippett, M. (2001) "Analytic Solutions for the Value of the Option to (Dis)Invest" *R&D Management Journal*, 31(2) pp149-161

Biekpe, N and Tyandele L (2001) "The Construction of All SADC Stock Market Indices", *African Finance Journal*, 3(1), pp. 59-76

Biekpe, N and Moore M (2000) "Measuring Volatility using Bilinear GARCH Models", *Investment Analysts Journal*, 52, pp 7-10

Biekpe, N (2000) "Detecting Heteroscedasticity Using a Non-Parametric Regression Technique", *Journal for Studies in Economics and Econometrics*, 24(2), pp 87-95

Biekpe, N Opong, KK and McIlkenny, P (2000) "The Behaviour of Equity Trading Volume on the London Stock Exchange", *Journal for Studies in Economics and Econometrics*, 24(1) pp 69-84.

Biekpe, N. (1999) "A Note on Predicting Returns using Bilinear ARMA Models", *Journal for Studies in Economics and Econometrics*, 23(1), pp 74 -79.

Biekpe, N.Tippett, M and Willett, R (1998) "Accounting Earnings, Permanent Cash Flow and the Distribution of the Earnings to Price Ratio", *British Accounting Review*, 30, pp 105-140, (**Awarded best paper of the year prize**)

15.2 PUBLISHED CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Kyereboah-Coleman, A. & Biekpe, N., (2006). Corporate governance and shareholder value maximization: An African perspective. *3rd African Finance Journal Conference*, Ghana. pp. 463-482

Abor, Joshua and N. Biekpe (2006), Debt Policy and Performance of SMEs: Evidence from Ghanaian and South African Firms, Seventh International Academy of African Business and Development Conference at the Ghana Institute for Management and Public Administration, Ghana, May. Published Conference Proceedings, pp. 522-533

15.3 CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

Korutaro Birungi and Nicholas Biekpe: (2008): Doing Business Indicators: A cross-sectional study of 15 countries in Sub-Saharan Africa, *Southern African Finance Association Conference, University of Cape Town Business School, 18th January 2008*

Abor J. and N. Biekpe (2006), The South African Financial Market and the Financing Choice of SMEs, Fifteenth Annual Conference of the Southern African Finance Association, University of Cape Town, South Africa, January

Abor J. and N. Biekpe (2006), An Empirical Test of the Agency Problems and Capital Structure of South African SMEs, Third African Finance Journal Conference at the University of Ghana Business School, Legon, Ghana, July.

Abor, J. and N. Biekpe (2006), A Review of Some Relevant Issues on SME Development in Ghana and South Africa, Third CEED International Entrepreneurship Conference, United States International University (USIU), Nairobi, Kenya, May.

Abor, J. and N. Biekpe (2006), Debt Policy and Performance of SMEs: Evidence from Ghanaian and South African Firms, Seventh International Academy of African Business and Development Conference at the Ghana

Institute for Management and Public Administration, Ghana, May.
Published Conference Proceedings, pp. 522-533.

Adjasi C.K.D and N.B Biekpe (2006) "Cointegration and Dynamic Causal Links amongst African Stock Markets", 3rd African Finance Journal Conference July 2006, University of Ghana Business School, Accra Ghana

Adjasi C.K.D and N.B Biekpe (2006) "Integration and Cointegration amongst African Stock Markets", 15th Annual Southern African Finance Association Conference 25-27 January 2006, Cape Town South Africa

Abor, J. and N. Biekpe(2005): "Small Business Financing Initiatives in Ghana", *Second African Finance Journal Conference, University of Stellenbosch Business School, Cape Town, South Africa, 13-14 July 2005.*

Adjasi, C & N. Biekpe (2005): "Stock Market Development and Economic Growth: The Case of Selected African Countries." *Presented at the Economic Society of Southern Africa Biennial Conference 7-9 September 2005, Durban* (www.essa.org.za/activities/conf2005.htm).

Adjasi, C & N. Biekpe (2005): "The Response of African Stock Markets to Inflation Movement." *Presented at the Economic Society of Southern Africa Biennial Conference 7-9 September 2005, Durban* (www.essa.org.za/activities/conf2005.htm).

Adjasi, C. & N. Biekpe(2005): "Stock Market Returns and Exchange Rate Dynamics in Selected African Countries: A Bivariate Analysis." *A Paper Presented at the 2nd African Finance Journal Conference 13-14 July 2005, University of Stellenbosch Business School.*

Adjasi, C. & N. Biekpe (2005): "Monetary Policy and Stock Market Returns in Africa." *A Paper Presented at the 2nd African Finance Journal Conference 13-14 July 2005, University of Stellenbosch Business School.*

Abor, J. and N. Biekpe (2005), Corporate Debt Policy of Small and Medium Enterprises in Ghana, *Presented at Biennial Conference of the Economic Society of South Africa, Durban, South Africa, September,* (www.essa.org.za/activities/conf2005.htm).

Abor, J. and N. Biekpe (2005), Does Corporate Governance affect the Capital Structure Decisions of Ghanaian SMEs? *Presented at Biennial Conference of the Economic Society of South Africa, Durban, South Africa, September,* (www.essa.org.za/activities/conf2005.htm)

Kyereboah-Coleman, A. and N. Biekpe (2005) "The link between corporate governance and performance of the Non-Traditional export sector: Evidence from Ghana", *Paper presented at the Second African Finance Journal Conference 13-14 July Africa Centre for Investment Analysis Graduate School of Business University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town, South Africa.*

Kyereboah-Coleman, A. and N. Biekpe (2005) "Do boards and CEOs matter for bank performance? : A comparative analysis of banks in Ghana", *Paper presented at the Economic Society of South Africa Biennial Conference 7-9 September 2005, Durban, South Africa* ,
(www.essa.org.za/activities/conf2005.htm)

Kyereboah-Coleman, A. and N. Biekpe (2005), "The relationship between board size, board composition, CEO duality and firm performance: Experience from Ghana", *Paper presented at the Economic Society of South Africa Biennial Conference 7-9 September 2005, Durban, South Africa*,
(www.essa.org.za/activities/conf2005.htm)

Biekpe, N (2004): "Education and training as necessary tools for economic empowerment in Africa", *2nd BankSeta International Conference 6-7 October 2004 The Forum/The Campus Bryanston, Johannesburg*

Biekpe, N (2004): "The Government's role in ensuring the inclusion of low/unbanked markets", *Trade Conferences International, Indaba Hotel Johannesburg, 1st December 2004*

Biekpe, N (2004): "General policy environment for the development of bonds market: Lessons from other developing countries", *Bank of Namibia Conference 19th August 2004, Safari Hotel Windhoek, Namibia*

Biekpe, N. and Floquet, K (2004): "*Determinants of Stock Market Liquidity: Evidence from African Stock Exchanges*", Southern African Finance Association Conference, Graduate School of Business, University of Cape Town on January 21, 22 and 23, 2004.

Biekpe, N and Mlambo C.; (2004): Out-of-sample predictability of African Stock Market Indices: A comparison between Linear and Nonlinear Models; *African Finance Journal Conference, University of Stellenbosch Business School*

Biekpe, N and Mlambo C (2003): Thin-trading on African Stock Markets: Implications on market efficiency testing, *The Biennial Conference of the Economic Society of South Africa, 17-19th September 2003, Lord Charles Hotel, Cape Town , South Africa*

- Biekpe, N and Mlambo C (2003): Back to basic on the efficient market hypothesis: New evidence from the thinly-traded African stock markets, *The Biennial Conference of the Economic Society of South Africa, 17-19th September 2003, Lord Charles Hotel, Cape Town , South Africa*
- Biekpe, N and Mlambo C (2003): "The consequences of online information dissemination on stock market liquidity and efficiency: implications on African markets" *5TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON WORLD WIDE WEB APPLICATIONS, 10, 11 & 12 September 2003 Department of Information Systems and Technology, University of Durban-Westville, Department of Information Studies, Rand Afrikaans University, South Africa.*
- Biekpe, N and Kiweu, J.M. (2003): Leveraging Donor Funds: the Switch to Commercial Sources of Funding, The United Nations and WIDER Conference, *Sharing Global Prosperity-Development Conference 6-7 September 2003, Marina Congress Center, Helsinki, Finland*
- Biekpe N. (2003): "High Performing Listed African Companies" Distinguished Speaker, African Capital Markets Development Forum, *A joint initiative of UNDP, African Stock Exchanges Association and NYSE, 14-15 April 2003, UN Headquarters , New York*
- Biekpe, N (2003): "Afri-Euro Business Information project" Information Society as Key Enabler for Rural Development Palacio de Congressos, Valencia (Spain), 3-4 February 2003
- Biekpe, N and T. Fish (2002) "On-line stock-exchange information and market efficiency: the African reality", 4th Annual World Wide Web Conference (WWW2002), Bellville, 4-6 September. (Peer-reviewed)
- Biekpe N. and T. Fish (2002) "Regional African Stock Markets", 11th annual Southern African Finance Association conference, Cape Town, 23-25 January.
- Biekpe, N and D Collins (2001) "Should Emerging Market Contagion be a fear for African Stock Markets?" *Development Studies Association Annual Conference, University of Manchester, 10-12 September 2001*
- Biekpe, N and D Collins (2001) "African Financial Markets: Interdependence with and Contagion from Global Emerging Markets, *Presented at the Forth Annual African Investment Conference, University of Stellenbosch (Spier Wine Estate), 22-24 August 2001*
- Biekpe, N and Moore, M (2001) "Impact of Money and Income in the Forward Market" *Eighth International Conference on Forecasting Financial Markets, Harrington Hall, The Harrington Centre, London, 30th May-1st June 2001*

Biekpe, N (2001) "Microfinance, Venture Capital and the Unbanked: Review of some Key Models and Way Forward in Africa", *International Conference on Development and Business Finance, University of Manchester 5-6th April 2001*

Biekpe, N Klumpes, P and Tippett, M. (2000) "Analytic Solutions for the Value of the Option to (Dis)Invest", *Real R&D Options Symposium, 12 July 2000, Manchester Business School, UK*

Biekpe, N (2000) "Emergence of Sub-Saharan Africa Stock Markets", *6th African Stock Exchanges Association Conference, 25-28th October 2000, at NICON Hilton Hotel, Abuja, Nigeria*

Biekpe, N (2000) " Globalisation and the Challenges Facing the African Markets in the New Millennium" *Southern African Trade and Investment Conference, 17 - 18 May 2000, Park Hyatt Hotel, Rosebank, Johannesburg, South Africa*

Biekpe, N (2000) "Banking the Unbanked in Africa through Microfinance and Venture Capital Schemes- *First Pan-African Banking & Finance Summit and Banking Technology Exhibition, 24-26 July 2000, Sandton Sun & Tower intercontinental Hotel, Sandton, Johannesburg, South Africa*

Biekpe, N (1996) "On Exchange Rates: Risk premium and Principal Components Analysis using Nested and Dynamic Linear Models", *(Presented at the 16th Conference on Applied Statistics in Ireland, 22-24 May 1996).*

Biekpe, N., Moore, M and Tippett, M (1995) "Buy, Hold and Sell Rule in the Currency Market", *Presented at the Irish Economic Association Conference on Friday 19th May, 1995*

15.4 BOOKS/OTHER PUBLICATIONS:

Biekpe, NB Sambian, RM and M, Kombate (2008) "Voices of Success: Cases from African Small, Micro and Medium Enterprises" Published by Africagrowth Institute

Biekpe, N Klumpes, P and Tippett, M (2003) "Analytic Solutions for the Value of the Option to (Dis)Invest" *Real R&D Options by Butterworth-Heinemann Finance, Elsevier Science, pp 67-90*

Biekpe, N (2002) "Regional Stock Exchanges and Financial Integration", *Monitoring Regional Integration in Southern Africa Book article by GamsbergMacmillan Publishers*

Biekpe, N. (1999) *Investing in South Africa: An overview*: Mimeo, Africa Centre for Investment Analysis, University of Stellenbosch Printing Press

Biekpe, N (1996) *Modelling Currency Volatility and Returns*, PhD Thesis, The Queens University of Belfast, UK; Thesis Supervisor: Professor Michael Moore.

16. PHD SUPERVISION:

16.1 PhDs COMPLETED

Dr. Chipso Mlambo:

Topic: The efficiency of African Stock Markets: A comparative analysis (Successfully completed 2005);

Dr. Keegan Floquet:

Topic: The relationship between capital structure and risk exposure in banks: A study of emerging market banks (Successfully completed in 2006);

Dr. Charles Adjasi

Links between stock market development and key economic growth variables: The case of selected African countries (Successfully completed in 2006);

Dr. Joshua Abor: Topic: Capital Structure and Financing of SMEs: Empirical Evidence from Ghana and South Africa (Successfully completed in 2006 and graduated December 2007);

Dr. Luka Jovita Okumu

Topic: Microfinance industry in Uganda: Sustainability, outreach and regulation (Successfully Completed and gradated in December 2007);

Dr. Matthew Ocran: The impact of commodities markets and economic development in sub-Saharan Africa (Successfully Completed and gradated in December 2007);

Dr. Anthony Kyereboah-Coleman: Relationship between corporate governance and firm performance: an African perspective (Successfully completed and gradated in December 2007);

16.2 COMPLETED AND AWAITING VIVA DEFENCE

Mr. Josephat Kiweu:

Topic: Critical Success factors to enable commercialisation of African Microfinance Institutions (Completed and awaiting viva defence)

Ms. Korutaro Birungi: Measuring the barriers to investment in sub-Saharan Africa (Completed and awaiting viva defence)

16.3 PHD ONGOING

Ms. Bopelo Soko: Financial Sector Development and Economic Growth in SADC

Ms Elsie Addo: The impact of regulatory reforms on economic growth in Africa: Empirical evidence from cross-country analysis (Ongoing)

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