

THE BUCHAREST UNIVERSITY OF ECONOMIC STUDIES

PhD school of Economics and International Business



PHD THESIS

PhD Student: Ihab S Kh Jweida

The Political economy of international migration" Case study Libya"

Academic advisor: Prof. Dr Zaharia Rodica Milena

TABLE OF CONTENTS

THANKS & APPRECIATION.....	3
CONTENTS INDEX	4
TABLES INDEX.....	8
FIGURES INDEX.....	10
INTRUDATION	12
A. Background and methodology	12
B. The literature of the study and gab	20
C. The study structure	21.
CHAPTER1:CONCEPTUAL AND THEORETICAL FRAMEWORK OF THE POLITICAL ECONOMY OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION	22
1.1 THE CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION:	23
1.2 TYPES OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION:	25
1.3 TREND OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION:	28
1.4 THEORIES OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION:	30
1.4.1 Micro analysis to the interpretation of international migration:.....	31
1.4.2 Macro analysis to interpreting international migration:	35
1.4.3 Pull and Pull Model (Repulsion and Attraction Factors)	37
1.5 DETERMINANTS OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION:.....	
<i>Economic determinants:</i>	
<i>Political and security determinants</i>	
<i>Social and cultural determinants</i>	Error! Bookmark not defined.
<i>Geographical and environmental determinants</i>	Error! Bookmark not defined.
1.5.1 THE EFFECTS AND CONSEQUENCES OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION:	Error! Bookmark not defined.
1.5.2 The effects of international migration on the country of origin	Error! Bookmark not defined.
defined.	
<i>The effect on the employment level</i>	Error! Bookmark not defined.
<i>The effect on the accumulation of human capital</i>	Error! Bookmark not defined.
<i>The effect on the income level:</i>	Error! Bookmark not defined.

<i>The effect on the institutional frameworks</i>	Error! Bookmark not defined.
1.5.3 The effects of international migration on the country of destination:	50
<i>The effect on the employment level:</i>	50
<i>The effect on the level of human capital:</i>	52
<i>The effect on the income level</i>	
<i>The effect on the institutional frameworks</i>	Error! Bookmark not defined.
<i>The effect on public finance</i>Error!

Bookmark not defined.

1.6 INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT	56
(1)- <i>Eradication of extreme poverty across the entire population</i>	57
(2) - <i>Elimination of hunger and providing food safety</i>	58
(3) – <i>Providing a healthy life, increasing welfare of all the citizens, irrespective of age, reducing the maternal mortality rate across countries and communities</i>	58
(4)- <i>Providing high quality, complete and fair education and consolidating everyone’s opportunity for lifelong learning</i>	58
(5) – <i>Implementing gender equality and empowering all women and girls within the 2030 Sustainable Development Plan</i>	59
(6). <i>Ensuring sustainable management of waters and of sanitation matters, for all, within the Sustainable Development Plan, by 2030</i>	59
(7) <i>Providing access to energy for a price that is universally affordable and sustainable, by 2030</i>	60
(8) <i>Consolidation of global sustainable development. Productive and adequate work for all</i>	60
(9) <i>Providing a flexible infrastructure and consolidating sustainable industrialization and innovation within the 2030 Sustainable Development Plan</i>	60
(10) <i>Elimination of inequality within countries</i>	61
(11) <i>Cities and other human settlements should become inclusive</i>	61
(12) <i>Sustainable consumption and production models</i>	62
(13) <i>Measures for combating climate change and its effect</i>	62
(14) <i>Preserving oceans and seas and using them and their resources, in a sustainable manner</i>	62
(15) <i>Protecting and consolidating the sustainable use of the planet ecosystems, sustainable management of forests</i>	63

(16) Allowing universal access to justice and setting up some responsible institutions within the Sustainable Development Plan, by 2030.....	63
(17) Consolidation of global partnership in view of sustainable development.....	63
<i>Goal 17: Partnerships for the goals</i>	63.
1.6.1 Money transfers for migrants.....	64
1.6.2 International migration and poverty reduction	65
1.6.3 International migration, labor market and employment	65
1.6.4 Migration and the transfer of knowledge and expertise	67
CHAPTER 2 <u>INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS IN LIBYA: CHARACTERISTICS, DETERMINATIS, AND IMPLICATIONS</u>	71
2.1 AREAS OF RESIDENCE AND DISTRIBUTION OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS IN LIBYA:.....	72
2.2 ANALYSIS OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS IN LIBYA:.....	75
2.3 ANALYSIS OF COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN FOR INTERNATIONAL MIGRANTS IN LIBYA	81
2.4ANALYSIS OF THE DETERMINANTS OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION IN LIBYA	85
<i>Economic determinants of international migration: the case of Libya</i>	85
<i>Political and security determinants of international migration: the case of Libya</i>	86
<i>Social and cultural determinants of international migration: the case of Libya</i>	88
<i>Geographical and environmental determinants of international migration:the case of Libya</i>	89
2.5 ANALYSIS OF THE IMPLICATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION IN LIBYA.....	92
2.5.1 The economic effects of international migration: the case of Libya:.....	93
2.5.2 The political and security implications of international migration: the case of Libya: ...	95
2.5.3 The social and cultural implications of international migration: the case of Libya:	96
2.6 ANALYSIS OF THE RISKS OF INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION IN LIBYA AND FROM THERE TO EUROPEAN COUNTRIES:.....	98

2.7 EVALUATION AND POLICIES OF MANAGING INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION IN AND THROUGH LIBYA TO EUROPEAN UNION:	102
CHAPTER 3 A PROPOSED QUANTITATIVE MODEL FOR THE ROLE OF POLITICAL ECONOMY IN INTERPRETING INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION: THE CASE OF LIBYA	104
3.1 THE PHILOSOPHY OF THE PROPOSED MODEL:	104
3.2 STRUCTURE OF THE PROPOSED MODEL:	104
3.3 VARIABLES OF THE PROPOSED MODEL:	105
3.4 APPLYING THE PROPOSED MODEL TO THE LIBYAN CASE:	112
3.5 FINDINGS:	128
CHAPTER 4: FINAL REMARKS AND FUTURE RESEARCH	132
<i>Conclusion</i>	132
<i>Recommendations</i>	133
<i>Future Research:</i>	135
Bibliography	137
Appendix	150

KEY WORDS

Migration, Political, Economic, security, geographical, environmental , social, effects , deterrents , Libyan case .

ABSTRACT

Chapter One deals with the conceptual and theoretical framework of the political economy of international migration. In light of the rapidly emerging global developments and challenges in recent decades, free flows and open borders for people, capital and ideas have become one of the most important issues affecting our world, which is considered a vital scene at the political and economic levels. With the development of the activities and repercussions of free trade and globalization and the proliferation of bilateral and multilateral international treaties and agreements, and in light of the deterioration of political environments at the present time, migration movements have increased and the freedom of movement of labor between countries has been facilitated in some parts of the world. In this context, massive waves of migrants have emerged and become important issues due to their subsequent social, economic and political impacts and shocks in host countries, and thus international migration has become a major demographic force in the pillars of the global political and economic scene.

The conceptual framework of international migration has evolved, and hence different forms of migration have diversified such as asylum seekers, temporary and permanent resettlement, migrant workers, knowledge migrants, social migrants, international students, etc. Therefore, this chapter aims to address the conceptual and theoretical framework of international migration from a political economic perspective.

Second chapter deals with Characteristics, drivers and effects of international migration: The Libyan case on February 17, 2011, a popular uprising took place that led to the fall of the Gaddafi regime, which lasted for more than forty years, which led to the collapse of all state institutions and armed militias and terrorist organizations took control of the political,

economic and security components of the state, which made Libya one of the preferred routes for international migration seekers, especially from African countries and the Middle East to European countries, which led to an increase in international migration across the Mediterranean from Libya from (234) migrants during 2010 to more than 75,000 migrants during 2021.

Libya, by virtue of its geographical location that connects the African continent to Europe across the Mediterranean, is considered one of the most important countries affected by this phenomenon, which is considered a transit center for migrants coming from Africa towards the northern shore of the Mediterranean in order to improve their economic and social conditions, but the exacerbation of the migration phenomenon secrecy in light of the increased activity of organized crime networks specialized in smuggling illegal immigrants, as this name was given to immigrants who were crossing land and sea borders secretly, and with the exacerbation of this phenomenon and the emergence of some other cases that do not include this term, such as the phenomenon of asylum, who leave their countries of origin due to the threats or dangers they face. Therefore, this chapter aims to analyze the characteristics, drivers and effects of international migration in and through Libya, relying on a questionnaire, personal interviews and social media for a sample size of (670) immigrants in Libya, in addition to a sample size of (656) Libyan immigrants during the period from February 2022 to December 2022. Chapter Four deals with a proposed quantitative model for the role of political economy in explaining international migration: the case of Libya. It became clear from the theoretical framework and field study that there are many economic and non-economic drivers of international migration in Libya, and also from Libya to European countries.

The third chapter deals and It was found from the theoretical framework and the field study that there are many economic and non-economic drivers of international migration in Libya, and also from Libya to European countries, and due to the lack of a single theory or model to interpret international migration for the Libyan case.

This research tries to build a quantitative model to predict international migration flows from and through Libya, by studying the correlation and impact relationships between political economy indicators and international migration flows, with the application of this model to the

Libyan case during the period from 2011-2021, based on annual data issued by the World Bank, the Central Bank of Libya, the International Organization for Migration, the Peace Fund Foundation, and the International Transparency Organization , Organization for Economics and Peace during the study period

To achieve its objectives, and to address its problem and test its hypotheses, the study was divided into four chapters, where the first chapter dealt with the conceptual and theoretical framework of the political economy of international migration by focusing on the concept and types of international migration and the economic theories explaining it. The second chapter dealt with the characteristics of international migrants in and through Libya, with focus on the personal and demographic characteristics of migrants, the causes, effects and risks of international migration, and the evaluation of policies and mechanisms for managing international migration in Libya. In the third chapter, this research presented a proposed quantitative model for the role of political economy in interpreting international migration by applying it to the Libyan case during the period from 2011-2021. The fourth chapter presented the most important results, Recommendations, and future research directions.



**Curriculum Vitae
Europass**

Personal Information

First name / last name	Ihab Jweida
Address	I.C. Brătianu, no.35, Bucharest
Phone number	0729804386
E-mail	Ihab_emperor@yahoo.com
Nationality	Libyan
Date of birth	28 th of June, 1991
Gender	Male

Work experience

2021-2024	Owner of market of Arabic stuff
Job position	
2018-2021	

Job position	Working at the Libyan embassy Bucharest Romania
Main responsibilities	Translator Local employee.
Company	Libyan embassy
2017-2018	
Job position	Customer support
Main responsibilities	This job involved making support and helping clients in English desk and Arabic desk
Company	Fast support Company Bucharest, Romania
Field of activity	Business Center
2012- 2013	
Job position	Reception office
Main responsibilities	This job involved making reservations for clients of the hotel and offering information to clients.
Company	Grand Hotel, Tripoli
Field of activity	Hotel industry
2010 - 2011	
Job position	Information office, Customer support
Main responsibilities	This job involved interacting with clients in order to make reservations or to offer information.
Company	Tripoli Tower
Education	
2014-2016	Master program – Entrepreneurship and Business Administration, in English Faculty of Business Administration, in foreign languages, Bucharest University of Economic Studies

2011 - 2014 Bachelor program – Business Administration in English
Faculty of Business Administration, in foreign languages, Bucharest university of Economic Studies

Certificates

2011 IELTS Examination from Bristol University, United Kingdom
Certificate in English language from Bristol University, United Kingdom

2010 Certificate in English language from the Canadian English Language School of Ottawa City

Skills and competences

Mother language

Arabic

Foreign languages

**English
Romanian**

Understanding		Speaking		Writing
Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
B2	B2	B1	B1	A2

Personal skills Team work, punctuality, meeting deadlines, the capacity to make decisions in conditions of stress, willing to learn, good at handling people.

Computer skills - A good mastery of Microsoft Office (Word, Power Point, Excel)
- Experience in Adobe Photoshop

Hobbies Reading, sports, travel, playing football, going to gym.

Publications

- IHAB S KH JWEIDA, 1, *INTERNATIONAL MIGRATION A WIN OR A LOSS*, ISSN: 2277-1018, 2021, https://www.nairjc.com/assets/img/issue/3pB3W0_Dy10c7_71_CfTJ_vp0ZHM_073635.pdf , DOI NUMBER: 10.6947/2277-1018.2021.00009.8, 2021, 1-13 pages.

- IHAB S KH JWEIDA, 1, *COVID-19 Impact on International Migration*, ISSN: 2286-2056, 2021, http://www.rejournal.eu/sites/rejournal.versatech.ro/files/articol_e/2021-12-21/3684/10yihabskhjweida.pdf, DOI: 10.24818/REJ/2021/82/10, 2021, 120 – 131 pages.
 - IHAB S KH JWEIDA, 1, *CHANGES IN LIBYA 2011 – 2019 POLITICAL ECONOMY, AUTHORITY AND LEGITIMACY*, ISSN: 2277-1018, 2021, https://www.nairjc.com/assets/img/issue/C4p514_lvcZO2_Ewz46J_6025g7_319052.pdf, DOI NUMBER: 10.6947/2277-1018.2021.00009.8, 2021, 7-18 pages.
 - Prof. Alexandru MANOLE PhD., Assoc. prof. Mădălina-Gabriela ANGHEL PhD., Ihab Jweida SJ JWEIDA PhD. Student, Radu STOICA PhD. Student, Emilia STANCIU PhD. Student, 5, *Structural analysis of foreign trade of Romania*, ISSN: 2359 – 8972, 2016, https://www.revistadestatistica.ro/supliment/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/rrss_12_2016_A02_en.pdf, 2016, 21-31 pages,
 - Prof. Constantin ANGHELACHE PhD., Prof. Gabriela Victoria ANGHELACHE PhD., Assoc. Prof. Mirela PANAIT PhD, IHAB S KH JWEIDA, 4, *The Analysis of International Trade of Romania*, ISSN: 2359 – 8972, 2016, https://www.revistadestatistica.ro/supliment/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/rrss_12_2016_A07_en.pdf, 2016, 93-99 pages.
 - IHAB S KH JWEIDA, 1, *COVID-19 Impact on International Migration*, 2021, ISBN: 978-606-34-0383-5, <https://icess.ase.ro/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/AbstractsBook-icESS-Ed.-2021.pdf>, 2021, 93 page.
 - Prof. univ. dr. Constantin ANGHELACHE, Drd. Ihab Jweida SJ JWEIDA, Drd. Marius POPOVICI, Drd. Emilia STANCIU, 4, *Analiza corelației dintre investițiile străine directe și export*, ISSN 1018-046X, 2016, https://insse.ro/cms/sites/default/files/field/publicatii/revista_romana_de_statistica_supliment_nr10_2016.pdf, 2016, 71 -78 pages.
 - Prof. univ. dr. Alexandru MANOLE, Prof. univ. dr. Constantin ANGHELACHE, Drd. Ihab Jweida SJ JWEIDA, Drd. Georgiana NIȚĂ, Drd. Andreea Ioana MARINESCU, 5, *Model de regresie utilizat în analiza corelației dintre Produsul Intern Brut și export*, ISSN 1018-046X, 2016, https://insse.ro/cms/sites/default/files/field/publicatii/revista_romana_de_statistica_supliment_nr10_2016.pdf, 2016, 87-88 pages
-

- IHAB S KH JWEIDA, Crisis in Libya , 2019, ISBN: 978-88-85813-77-95
<https://www.scribd.com/document/714253012/E-BOOK-DX08-4th-EGE-2019-1-1> ,2019, 189-192 pages
- IHAB JWEIDA, The socioeconomic consequences of Libyan conflict: from economic growth decline to migration crisis associated with the violation of human rights, 2023, http://eibc.fea.uaic.ro/DETAILS/PublishingImages/Pages/default/EIBC%202023_Programme.pdf I participated this conference session 6, however, it was not published.
- IHAB JWEIDA , Crisis in Libya political economic authority and legitimacy ,2021, ISSN print 2068-8989, <https://www.scribd.com/document/714256048/Crisis-in-Libya-Political-Economy-Authority-and-Legitimacy-1>, 2021, 195 –204 pages

28.8.2024

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke, positioned on the right side of the page.