

# BOTIR KOBILOV

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## EDUCATION

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<b>Harvard University</b> Ph.D. Candidate in Business Administration: Accounting & Management	<i>September 2019 - Present</i>
<b>Duke University</b> M.A. in Economics	<i>2014-2016</i>
<b>Management Development Institute of Singapore</b> B.Sc. in Banking and Finance	<i>2008-2011</i>

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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<b>Program on Corporate Governance, Harvard Law School</b> Research Fellow in Empirical Law and Finance <a href="#">[Details]</a>	<i>2020 - 2021</i>
<b>Harvard Business School</b> Research Associate to Dr. Boris Vallee (Finance) and Dr. Jonas Heese (Accounting & Management)	<i>June 2016 - June 2019</i>
<b>Duke University - Fuqua School of Business</b> Graduate Research Assistant to Dr. Alon Brav	<i>2015 - 2016</i>

## RESEARCH

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### Publication

- [1] Kobilov, Botir, Ethan Rouen, and George Serafeim. "Predictable Country-level Bias in the Reporting of COVID-19 Deaths." *Journal of Government and Economics* (Summer 2021).  
- Coverage: [Harvard Business School Working Knowledge](#)

### Working Papers

- [2] *Technology-Enabled Enforcement* (Job Market Paper)  
- Coverage: [World Bank Development Impact](#)
- [3] *To The Moon or Bust: Do Retail Investors Profit From Social Media Induced Trading?*  
- Working paper with Liran Eliner. Submission and review stage  
- Award and Coverage: "Best paper written by a PhD student" award winner by UC San Diego's Brandes Center. Co-winner of grand total \$25,000 prize. [Details](#)

### Work-in-progress

- [4] *Technology-Enabled Discourse: Digital Platforms in Modern Investor Relations.*

## TEACHING

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<b>Ph.D. – Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives on Entrepreneurship</b> Seminar course on entrepreneurship (Harvard Econ 2355)	<i>2021, 2022, 2023</i>
<b>MBA – Business Analysis and Valuation</b> Elective course on firm valuation based on financial statements (HBS)	<i>2022 Spring</i>
<b>JD – Financial Accounting and Valuation</b> Law-related financial analysis and business valuation course for first-year J.D. students at Harvard Law School (HLS 1057)	<i>2021, 2022 J-term</i>

**Executive Education – Duke Center for International Development** *2015-2016*

Teaching assistant to the training program for the government officials of China and Kazakhstan

**Undergraduates – Duke Silicon Valley Program** *2015*

Teaching assistant to a 4-week course with a visit to top Silicon Valley businesses and entrepreneurs

**Teaching Materials:**

[1] Vallee, Boris, and Botir Kobilov. "Tableau." *Harvard Business School Teaching Note* 217-074, June 2017.

[2] Heese, Jonas, and Botir Kobilov. "Building Uzbekistan's Capital Market." *Harvard Business School Case* 120-094, February 2020. (Revised April 2020.)

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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**Boston Accounting Students Symposium (BASS)** *2023-present*

Co-founder and co-president of student-organized annual conference connecting Ph.D. students in accounting

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**Conference and Journal Papers Reviewer** *2020-present*

SFS Cavalcade Asia (2022), HARC (2024) and others

**Recommendation to the SEC Investor Advisory Committee (IAC)** *2020*

Relating to Accounting and Financial Disclosure, with Dr. Suraj Srinivasan

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**INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE**

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**Central Bank of Uzbekistan** *2012 - 2014*

Lead Economist, International Reserves Management Department

- contributed to management of the foreign reserves portfolio of Uzbekistan
- conducted fundamental and technical analysis of markets, with reporting to the Chairman of the Bank on a daily basis (currency, commodity)

**Commercial Bank Ipak Yuli** *2012*

Project Manager, Investment Financing Division

- evaluated investment projects, conducted due diligence, presented report to the Investment Committee

**Islamic Development Bank HQ, Saudi Arabia** *Summer 2011*

Intern, Country Operations Department

- developed Member Country Partnership Strategy and Country Economic Work for Kazakhstan
- studied and calculated "Grant Element", the measure of concessionality of the IDB's financing instruments and the level of alignment with IMF's requirements.

**AWARDS**

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Best paper contest winner by UC San Diego's Brandes Center (shared prize \$25,000) *2023*

Provide Fellowship from HBS *2021, 2022*

Kathryn W. and Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Russian Studies Fund Fellowship *2021*

John M. Olin Fellowship from HLS(\$5,000) *2020*

HBS/GSAS Fellowship *2019 - present*

Duke Economics Masters' Scholar Award *2014 - 2016*

Certified Accounting Practitioner, by Eurasian Council of Certified Accountants and Auditors *2009*

## CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS AND TALKS

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*Notations for conference: P–presenter, D–discussant, A–participant*

2024 American Finance Association Annual Meeting (Poster) <sup>P</sup>	2024, sched.
2024 Hawaii Accounting Research Conference <sup>P,D</sup>	2024, sched.
Webinar series in Finance and Development - WEFIDEV <sup>P</sup>	2023, sched.
Annual Accounting Dopuch Conference <sup>P</sup>	2023
Annual Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting <sup>P</sup>	2023
2023 North East Universities Development Consortium - NEUDC <sup>P</sup>	2023
The Boston Accounting Students Symposium <i>Co-Founder, Co-President</i>	2023
Helsinki Finance Summit (Poster) <sup>P</sup>	2023
2023 AAA Annual Meeting <sup>P</sup>	2023
2023 MIT Asia Conference in Accounting (Singapore) <sup>A</sup>	2023
Economics of Financial Technology Conference in Edinburg <sup>P,D</sup>	2023
AAA/Deloitte Foundation/J. Michael Cook Doctoral Consortium <sup>P</sup>	2023
Trans-Atlantic Doctoral Conference (LBS) <sup>P,D</sup>	2023
Information, Markets, and Organizations at Harvard Business School <sup>P</sup>	2018, 2023
Governance, Regulation and Accounting for Digital Assets (NYU Stern) <sup>P</sup>	2023
NBER Big Data and Securities Markets Conference <sup>A</sup>	2023
8th Paris Financial Management Conference (PFMC-2022) <sup>P,D</sup>	2022
Faculty Symposium at Harvard Business School (Poster) <sup>P</sup>	2022
Accounting Theory Summer School at Duke University <sup>A</sup>	2022
Tax Symposium at UNC <sup>A</sup>	2022

## SKILLS

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<b>Programming</b>	Python, Stata, VS Code
<b>Software &amp; Tools</b>	LaTeX, Excel, Tableau
<b>Languages</b>	English, Uzbek, Russian