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EDUCATION

Cardiff Business School, Cardiff University

Cardiff, UK

Ph.D. in Business and Management (International Marketing Strategy)

May 2025

Thesis: Revisiting Internationalization: Multi-Study Insights into Strategic

Considerations and Organizational Determinants of Market Entry, Exit, and Re-entry as

Punctuating Points

Examined by Professor John Cadogan (Leicester University) & Professor Luigi De Luca

(Cardiff University), confirmed on first defense without alteration.

USA (virtual)

Certificate Programme by the Academy of International Business

Part of inaugural international cohort (13 participants selected only worldwide)

2023-2025

Leeds, UK

Leeds University Business School, University of Leeds

MA in Corporate Communications, Marketing and PR

October 2018

Chevening Award Recipient

AIB - CIBER Doctoral Academy

Ss. Cyril and Methodius University

Skopje, N. Macedonia

BA in E-business

October 2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Cardiff Business School, Cardiff University

Cardiff, UK 2022-2025

Teaching Assistant (Level 5)

Associate-Fellow of the Higher Education Academy, UK

Module Development & Delivery:

BST 634/904 Creativity, Innovation and Enterprise (EMBA/MBA)

BST711 Global Marketing (MBM)

BST710 Understanding Organisations and the Business Environment (MBM)

BS1532 Technology & Digital Age (BSc.)

BS2354 Marketing and Strategy (BSc.)

BS3748 Business Design (BSc.)

BS1528 Marketing (BSc.)

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Connect2MK-Macedonia 2025

Skopje, N. Macedonia July 2024 – ongoing

Expert (mentor) on internationalization and marketing strategy at Connect2MK platform. Connect2MK brings together Macedonian businesses and professional expatriates worldwide, helping them grow and prosper in an international environment. Currently

mentoring 2 companies.

Untapped Innovation, London, UK

Research Consultant

Cardiff/London, UK 2022: 2025

Project: "Innovation is hard" – Assessing the state of innovation in FMCG, Tech, and Healthcare Industries in the UK, innovation capabilities, and NPD success factors

GDSI Limited (EU TACSO 3 EU-Funded Project)

Ireland/N. Macedonia

Events & Communications Expert

September 2020 –2021

EU TACSO 3 For Western Balkans and Turkey: EU-funded Project for NGOs capacity building and support, delivered by Consortium led by GDSI Limited, Galway, Ireland

"Lav Komerc" LTD. - Skopje, Macedonia

Marketing & Business Development Advisor

N. Macedonia January 2020 –2021

EESTI Aaabikeskused Estonian Advice Centre (EAC), Tallinn, Estonia

Project Research Associate (Remote position Skopje) in partnership with University of Information Science & Technology "St. Paul The Apostle", N. Macedonia

N. Macedonia

Project Research Associate (Remote position Skopje) in partnership with University October 2014- June 2017

PUBLICATIONS

Tonn Alexander and **Boncheva Katerina**, (2025), "Decoding a Wicked Problem: Modern Slavery in the Elite Quality Index", in Casas, Tomas and Cozzi, Guido, *Elite Quality Report 2025: The Sustainable Value Creation of Nations*; available at: http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.5241721

MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

Boncheva Katerina, Griffith David A., Gajewska De-Mattos Hanna, Pirrone Giuseppe, Silenskyte Ausrine, and Tonn Alexander, "Title withheld for the blind review process," at the Critical Perspectives of International Business Journal (Under 2nd Review)

Boncheva Katerina, Gadhia Mimisha, Mans Theuns, Morales Marenco Marleth, Shukran Khaled, and Tonn Alexander, "Title withheld for blind review process," at AIB Insights (Under 2nd Review)

Boncheva Katerina, Bıçakcıoğlu Peynirci Nilay, Robson Matthew J., Morgan Robert E., and Kouropalatis, Y., "Title withheld for blind review process," at International Marketing Review (R&R)

Shukran Khaled, **Boncheva Katerina**, Gadhia Mimisha, Morales Marenco Marleth, and Tonn Alexander, "Title withheld for blind review process," at AIB Insights (under review)

WORK-IN-PROGRESS

Postpone or Redeploy? Moderation Effects of Firm Capabilities on the Relationship Between Performance and International Market Exit Decision - **Katerina Boncheva**, Nilay Bıçakcıoğlu Peynirci, Robert E. Morgan, and Matthew J. Robson (targeting Global Strategy Journal - pending submission)

The 'Time-Out Period' in International Markets: Strategic Phenomenon or Empirical Fallacy- **Katerina Boncheva**, Nilay Bıçakcıoğlu Peynirci, Robert E. Morgan, Matthew J. Robson (targeting Journal of World Business - research under development)

Turning Green into Gold: The Unexpected Power of Extrinsic Motives in Green Hotel Marketing" **Katerina Boncheva** (targeting Journal of Business Research - research under development)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Staying Or Leaving? Resource Redeployment and Real Options Effects in Accelerating or Mitigating Firms' International Market Exit Decisions", presented at *Global Marketing Conference 2025*, Hong Kong (July 24-27, 2025)

Understanding International Market Entry and Exit: A Scientometric Study on The Symbiotic Pattern of Knowledge Diffusion, accepted at *AIB Annual Meeting 2025*, Louisville, Kentucky, USA (June 28- July 3, 2025)

Redeploy or Postpone?! The Role of Home-Host Country Distance and Organizational Capabilities in International Market Exit Decisions, presented at *AIB Annual Meeting Doctoral Consortium,* Seoul, South Korea (July 2-6, 2024)

Exploring the What, Why, and How Behind Firm's International Market Exit and Re-entry Behavior, paper presented at AMA Global Marketing Conference - Doctoral Colloquium, Verona, Italy (May 24-26, 2024)

Explaining Firm's International Market Exit Behavior: The Differential Effects of Firm Capabilities on International Market Exit Decision- presented at AMA *Global Marketing Conference Competitive Session* - Verona, Italy (May 24-26, 2024)

Exit or postpone? International Market Exit Behavior: The Roles of Organizational Capabilities in Explaining International Market Exit Decision, presented at the *Welsh Postgraduate Research Conference*, Cardiff, UK (June 15, 2023)

The Phenomenon of Reverse Internationalization: Towards Conceptualization, poster presentation at *Welsh Postgraduate Research Conference*, Cardiff, UK (June 15, 2022)

Reverse Internationalization: Antecedents, Conceptualization, and Outcomes, presented at the AMA Global Marketing SIG Conference - Doctoral Colloquium, Chania, Greece (May 31 – June 3, 2022)

INVITED TALKS & PANELS

Leveraging Diverse Academic Backgrounds for Success as an IB Scholar, *chair* of panel, Tamer S. Cavusgil (Georgia State University, USA), Paul Vaaler (University of Minnesota), Jonathan Doh (Villanova School of Business, USA) & Alexander Tonn (University of St. Gallen, Switzerland); (28 June-03 July, AIB Annual Meeting 2025, USA)

Enhancing Doctoral Education in International Business, *panellist*, along with David Griffth (Mays Business School, Texas A&M University, USA), Hanna Gajewska De- Mattos (University of Leeds, UK), Aušrinė Silenskytė (University of Vaasa, Finland); Alexander Tonn (University of St. Gallen, Switzerland), Giuseppe Pirrone (University of Pavia, Italy); (December 12-14, 2024, EIBA 2024 Conference, Finland)

Succeeding In International Business Doctoral Studies - *panellist*, along with Gary Knight (Willamette University, USA), Antonella Zucchella (University of Pavia, Italy), Aušrinė Silenskytė (University of Vaasa, Finland), Alexander Tonn (University of St. Gallen, Switzerland), Theuns Mans (Gordon Institute of Business Science, South Africa), Giuseppe Pirrone (University of Pavia, Italy), Cazembe Monds (Georgia State University, USA); (June 18, 2024 AIB Webinar, *available at: aib.world*)

INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH PROJECTS

Project: The Impact of Incubators and Accelerators on the Internationalization Capabilities of High-Technology Start-Ups, with Prof. Robert E. Morgan (Cardiff Business School, Wales, UK) and Prof. Sophie Veilleux (Faculty of Business Administration, Université Laval, Québec, Canada)

Funding body: Quebec – Wales Collaboration Programme 2021(Welsh Government & Government of Québec) Project Duration: November 2021 – March 2022 (completed)

Abstract: This project examined how incubator and accelerator services foster rapid internationalization skills in high-growth tech companies. Interviews with 16 entrepreneurs—four each from life sciences and AI in Québec and Wales—explored their needs and how these services help them become international leaders.

FUNDING & AWARDS

Cardiff University Doctoral Academy Developmental Grant, May 2025 (£750)

AIB Annual Meeting Travel Stipend - Academy of International Business (July 2024;2025) (\$1500 each year)

2024 AMA - Sheth Doctoral Consortium Fellow - AMA & The Sheth Foundation (June 2024)

AMA Global Marketing SIG Travel Stipend - American Marketing Association (May 2022; 2024) (\$1000.00)

Jean Boddewyn Research Award (AIB CIBER Doctoral Academy)-Jean Boddewyn Endowment (2023) (\$3,000.00)

Cardiff Business School (CARBS) Scholarship - Cardiff Business School, Cardiff University, UK (2021-2024) (£37,560.00)

in total per year with adjusted annual raise accordingly)

Dominique Wright Memorial Award - Leeds University Business School (December 2018)

Chevening Scholarship- Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), UK (2017-18) (£33,600.00)

ACADEMIC SERVICE & LEADERSHIP

Cohort representative at the Governing Board – AIB-CIBER Doctoral Academy

Member of the Governing Board – Institute for Mass Media & Electronic Communications, N. Macedonia Business mentor (volunteer) – Connect2MK, Macedonia 2025 Initiative (2024 - ongoing)

Conference Co-chair (Programme curation & development)- Welsh Postgraduate Research Conference – Cardiff Business School, UK (2024)

PGR Student Representative (2021 – 2024); Chair of Student-Staff Panel (2022 - 2024)— Cardiff Business School, UK Ad-hoc Reviewer: International Marketing Review, Journal of International Marketing; Journal of General Management; Academy of International Business (AIB) Annual Meeting 2022/24/25; AMA Global Marketing SIG Conference 2024; EIBA 2024; GMC 2025;

Volunteer - AMA Global Marketing SIG Conference (2022 Chania, Crete; 2024 Verona, Italy; 2024) AIB Annual Meeting (2024 Seoul, Korea; 2025 Louisville, Kentucky)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (selected list)

2024 AMA-Sheth Foundation Doctoral Consortium Fellow - University of Manchester, UK (June 2024, invitation-only) Virtual Environments in Teaching — Cardiff University (2021-2023)

Marketing Research Camp – Leeds University Business School, University of Leeds, UK (June 2023, invitation-only) Cardiff University Education Associate Fellow Programme (AFHEA) – Learning and Teaching Academy, Cardiff University (2023); Qualification gained: Associate Fellow of the Higher Education Academy Cardiff University Doctoral Academy Training Programme (2021 – 2024)

SKILLS

Research skills: econometric modelling; bibliometric techniques; qualitative interviewing; working knowledge in text analysis.

Technical skills: proficient in STATA, SPSS, PROCESS Macro, VOSviewer, R, Bibliometrix, and NVivo

Teaching skills: <u>AFHEA-qualified</u>

Database use: Compustat, Bloomberg, Boardex, Hoberg, and Moon; Web of Science, Scopus Languages: English (proficient); French (conversation level); Balkan Esperanto (proficient); Spanish (basic knowledge).

PROFESIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

AMA Membership- American Marketing Association
AIB Membership – Academy of International Business
European Academy of International Business
Associate Fellow of the Higher Education Academy
BAM Membership- British Academy of Management
Chevening Alumni Association
IABC Membership – International Association of Business Communication

REFEREES

Professor Matthew Robson

Professor of Marketing and International Management; Head of Marketing & Strategy Section Cardiff Business School, Cardiff University, UK RobsonM@cardiff.ac.uk

Professor Robert E. Morgan

Sir Julian Hodge Chair; Professor of Marketing & Strategy Cardiff Business School, Cardiff University, UK MorganRE@cardiff.ac.uk

Professor S. Tamer Cavusgil

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