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"Inaugural Lecture, When will the trend bend? The Value of Forecasting"

Research Interests:

- Time series analysis and forecasting with applications in finance, operations management and innovation diffusion
- Portfolio selection and index tracking

Current Projects:

- Forecasting call frequency at call centres
- Density forecasts for financial time series
- Modelling correlations between financial time series
- Modelling simultaneous diffusion of an innovation across several countries

Teaching:

- Quantitative Methods (MBA)
- Multivariate Statistical Analysis (Research students)

Education/Qualifications:

- 1975 PhD & DIC Imperial College
- 1972 MSc (Statistics) Sheffield University
- 1968 BSc II.1 (Mathematics and Statistics) Sheffield University

Recent Publications:

"An Evolutionary heuristic for the index tracking problem", <u>European Journal of Operational</u> <u>Research</u>, J E Beasley, N Meade, T-J Chang, 148 (2003), 621-643

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"Forecasting the diffusion of innovations: implications for time series extrapolation", in <u>Principles of Forecasting: A Handbook for Researchers and Practitioners</u>, J.S. Armstrong, ed,

(Kluwer Academic Publishers, Norwell, MA, USA) (2001). Co-author T. Islam

"Persistence of capacity shortage and the role of adjustment costs", <u>Scottish Journal of</u> <u>Political Economy</u>, 48, (2001) 27 - 47. Co-author C. Driver

"Evidence for the selection of forecasting methods", Journal of Forecasting, 19, (2000), 515-535

"The selection of multinational equity portfolios: forecasting models and estimation risk", <u>The European Journal of Finance</u>, 6, (2000), 259 - 279, Co-author G. R. Salkin

"Modelling Diffusion and Replacement", <u>European Journal of Operational Research</u>, 125, (2000), 551 - 570, Co-author T.I Islam

"Heuristics for cardinality constrained portfolio optimization", <u>Computers and Operations</u> <u>Research</u>, 27, pp.1271-1302, (2000), Co-authors: Chang, T.J., Beasley, J.E. and Sharaiha, Y.M., "Technological Forecasting - model selection, stability and combining models", <u>Management Science</u>, 44, (1998), 1115-1130, Co-author T. Islam

"Generalising about univariate forecasting methods: further empirical evidence", International Journal of Forecasting, 14, pp.339-358, (1998), Co-authors: Fildes, R., Hibon, M. & Makridakis, S.

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