

GB/GD 30303
Research Methodology for International Finance

Assignment 2

- Topic:** Reviewing the literature review
- Description:** You are given a list of 15 published survey papers. These articles are stand alone literature review. Select **only one** paper, and then answer the 10 guided questions in this assignment.
- Type:** This is an **individual** assignment.
- Weight:** Assignment 2 contributes **10%** to the overall course assessment.
- Dateline:** Assignment 2 must be submitted not later than **September 20, 2010 @ 12pm.**

Questions:

1. What is the specific research question that the literature review defines? Discuss all if there is more than one.
2. Does this paper justify why the literature review is important? Please elaborate.
3. What is the main source of literature for this article? Journal articles, books, chapter in books, working papers, dissertations?
4. How is the literature being organized? Chronological, thematic, conceptual, methodological, or a combination? Does the classification of categories well justified?
5. Does the article provide the theoretical basis for the research question?
6. Does the article critically analyze the literature or just describing/ summarizing one piece of literature after another?
7. Does the literature review have the right amount of depth and breadth?
8. Does the article highlight the limitations/gaps in the existing body of knowledge?
9. Does the article provide any recommendations for future studies?
10. Finally, what can you conclude about this article? Is it up to date, relevant, appropriate and useful? Please elaborate.

Papers: Select 1 paper from the following list for your assignment.

1. Ang, J.B. (2008) A survey of recent developments in the literature of finance and growth. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **22**(3), 536-576.
2. Asoni, A. (2008) Protection of property rights and growth as political equilibria. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **22**(5), 953-987.
3. Bahmani-Oskooee, M. and Hegerty, S.W. (2009) Purchasing power parity in less-developed and transition economies: a review paper. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **23**(4), 617-658.
4. Bahmani-Oskooee, M. and Nasir, A.B.M. (2005) Productivity bias hypothesis and the purchasing power parity: a review article. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **19**(4), 671-696.
5. Cipollina, M. and Salvatici, L. (2008) Measuring protection: mission impossible? *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **22**(3), 577-616.
6. Del Gatto, M., Di Liberto, A. and Petraglia, C. (2010) Measuring productivity. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, in press.
7. Faeth, I. (2009) Determinants of foreign direct investment – a tale of nine theoretical models. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **23**(1), 165-196.
8. Fergusson, L. (2006) Institutions for financial development: what are they and where do they come from? *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **20**(1), 27-69.
9. Folloni, G. and Vittadini, G. (2010) Human capital measurement: a survey. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **24**(2), 248-279.
10. Giles, J.A. and Williams, C. (2000) Export-led growth: a survey of the empirical literature and some non-causality results Part 1. *Journal of International Trade & Economic Development*, **9**(3), 261-337
11. Henry, P.B. (2007) Capital account liberalization: theory, evidence, and speculation. *Journal of Economic Literature*, **45**(4), 887-935.
12. Lim, K.P. and Brooks, R.D. (2010) The evolution of stock market efficiency over time: a survey of the empirical literature. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, in press.
13. Maani, S.A. and Cruickshank, A.A. (2010) What is the effect of housework on the market wage, and can it explain the gender wage gap? *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **24**(3), 402-427.
14. Rosin, O. (2008) The economic causes of obesity: a survey. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, **22**(4), 617-647.
15. Verdier, M. (2010) Interchange fees in payment card systems: a survey of the literature. *Journal of Economic Surveys*, in press.