Suggestion for Market Design Research in Iran

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Market (mechanism) design is a new field in Iran’s academia. This lecture starts with a summary of the most notable research topics, to provide an overview for attendees on the direction that literature goes forward.

In the second part, I would focus on some topics which can be of interest to do research in Iran. Most notably, some potentially interesting research questions on Live Donors Kidney Market and PhD Entrance Exams will be shared.

Iran has a unique kidney market which has been in place for over 20 years, frequently reporting surprising success in reducing the waiting list for kidneys. I would try to demonstrate how the Iranian system works and ask some important questions.

For the past four years, Sazman Sanjesh holds a national exam as the PhD entrance exam, regardless of the controversy, that this created between university professors and administrations; this is an example of two-sided matching problem and would be nice to look at the exam from this point of view and ask some market design related questions.