Mohammad K. Al-Zibdah, PhD. Msc. Bsc. aquaculture and aquatic environment conservation

WORK DESCRIPTION AND INTEREST

Standing: Professor of marine biology at Jordan University of Aqaba. Senior researcher of marine aquaculture and aquatic environment.

Tasks and responsibilities

In academia: Mentoring courses at the faculty of marine sciences in Jordan University of Aqaba. Courses to undergraduates are biology 101 and 102, aquaculture, fishery, coastal ecology in addition to research methods and mariculture to postgraduates. Several workshops and conferences were organized during my profession on regional and international levels

In research: Introduce efficient and innovative techniques on concepts of green aquaculture. This is to reduce pressure on the coral reef environment maintaining ecosystem sustainability while optimizing the benefits of the ecosystem goods and services for coastal communities and end users. Expertise on early development and nutritional requirements for cultured species of marine origin. Perform studies on using fish as indicator for health appraisal of coastal environment through monitoring of reef fish diseases.

In management: Contribute in capacity building for user groups, decision makers and other relevant stakeholders to help them understand uses and resource benefits of the marine environment with emphasis to aquaculture. Engaged in events to enhance awareness, promoting conservation measures of marine environment at key national and international agencies.

In monitoring: Participate in all activities on environmental monitoring, emphasizing aquaculture in coral reef ecosystem and sea grass beds. Participate in the assessment of coastal sites achieving an integrated coastal zone management (ICZM). Participate in constructing short and long term environmental monitoring plans as well as coordinating consultancies and EIA studies for commercially based coastal investment in Gulf of Aqaba, Red Sea

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MOHAMMAD K. AL-ZIBDAH. PhD. MSc. BSc.

Marine aquaculture and aquatic environment conservation

WORK EXPERIENCE

Professor and instructor at the faculty of marine sciences, University of Jordan/Agaba.

- o Researcher and principal investigator of aquaculture and marine environment (marine biology).
- Coordinator of national and international research projects.
- o Chief scientist at the aquaculture unit of the Marine Science Station, University of Jordan, Aqaba Jordan.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Lecturing scholarly courses to undergraduate and graduate students at faculty of marine sciences, University of Jordan/Agaba
- Conduct research in basic and applied marine environmental sciences with emphasis on aquaculture, fishery and coral reef.
- Analyze data of the research and monitoring projects and publish results in peer-reviewed journals
- Supervise Jordanian and international postgraduates at MSc. and PhD levels
- o Reviewer of scholarly articles of marine science in journals from local and international

KEY QUALIFICATIONS

30 years of experience in research and monitoring (R&M) on marine biology and coastal environment, Gulf of Aqaba, Red Sea. Expertise in marine fish and shell fish aquaculture (early development and nutritional requirement)

COORDINATION OF WORKSHOPS AND TRAINING COURSES

- Coordinator and organizer of the National Seminar on the EU-ENPI-CBC Project RAOP-MED "Risk Assessment Analysis on Offshore Platforms in South East Mediterranean" Mar 2015
- Instructor on HACCP for Omani trainees, Ministry of Fishery, Sultanate of Oman, June 2012
- Coordinator of the National Workshop on Public Awareness and Outreach Concerning UP POPs, Aqaba, November 24th 2011
- Coordinator and organizing committee chairman of the international conference on "Rapid Urbanization and Land Use Conflicts in Coastal Cities" Aqaba, 2007.
- Coordinator of the international training course on marine sciences, Marine Science Center- A multi National Red Sea Program (RSP), 2000, Agaba-Jordan
- Coordinator of stakeholder meeting of the Environment, Social and Cultural Implications of the Aqaba Fishers and Fishing Industry in Aqaba-Jordan. UNESCO and MSS, Aqaba, 2005
- Coordinator of the multi national training course in scientific diving, Royal Diving Center, Red Sea Program (RSP), 2000

TRAINING, WORKSHOPS, MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

- International Conference on the Marine Environment of the Red Sea, KAUST Research Conference, 2016, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
- Scientific visit to MOTE research laboratory. Exchange views and discussions with research staff at the Aquaculture Park and main laboratory at Sarasota. Florida. 26 Aug-31 2016.
- 3. Final conference of the EU funded ENPI CBC project, MARI NOSTRUM. Valencia, Spain, 24-26 Nov. 2015.
- 4. 5th Steering committee meeting for the project RISK ASSESSMENT ANALYSIS ON OFFSHORE PLATFORMS IN SOUTH EAST MEDITERRANEAN (RAOP-MED), Cyprus, Mar 2016
- 5. Regional Workshop on Harmonization of Environmental and Socioeconomic Monitoring and Updating a Regional Monitoring Manual. PERSGA, Jeddah, Feb 2015
- 4th Steering committee meeting for the project RISK ASSESSMENT ANALYSIS ON OFFSHORE PLATFORMS IN SOUTH EAST MEDITERRANEAN (RAOP-MED), Athens, 16 December 2014.
- Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation and Management of Marine Turtles and their Habitats of the Indian Ocean and South-East Asia (IOSEA)Seventh Meeting of the Signatory States, 5-8 August 2014, Bonn-Germany
- BioTech 2014 & 6th Czech-Swiss Symposium with Exhibition, 11-14 June 2014, Prague, Czech Republic

- 9. Final conference of the INCAM-ERAWIDE Project on Improving National Assessment and Monitoring Capacities for Integrated Environment and Coastal Ecosystem Management, May 16 -17/ 2013, Izmir-Turkey
- 10. 9th International Symposium on SEASTAR2000, Kyoto, Japan, March 17-19/2013
- 11. International Conference on "Land-Sea Interactions in the Coastal Zone". Byblos- LEBANON, 06-08 November 2012
- 12. 2nd Regional Scientific meeting on "Marine researches in PERSGA region: gaps, challenges and future ambitions" 13-14 March 2012 PERSGA HQ. Jeddah
- 13. Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation and Management of Marine Turtles and their Habitats of the Indian Ocean and South-East Asia (IOSEA), Sixth Meeting, Bangkok-Thailand, 22-27 Feb. 2012.
- 14. International Symposium on "Marine Ecosystems & the issue of Marine Natural Products and their Bioactive Metabolites "25-27 October 2011, Bogor- Indonesia
- 15. Red Sea and Gulf of Aden Strategic Ecosystem Management Project Preparation Grant Inception Workshop February 7th 8th 2011, Jeddah-Saudi Arabia
- 16. Technical Meeting for the Conservation of the Dugong and its Habitat and associated meeting on Marine Turtles in the North West Indian Ocean (NWIO). Abu Dhabi, 4 6 October, the UNEP/CMS Office
- 17. 14th International Biotechnology Symposium and Exhibition, Rimini, Italy, 14-18 September 2010
- 18. The 6th International Symposium on SEASTAR2000 and Asian Bio-logging Science (The 10th SEASTAR2000 Workshop), February 23 25, 2010, Phuket, Thailand
- 19. General Assembly of NATO "Science for Peace" funded project "Societal security and environmental impacts concerning mariculture in the Red Sea "Kiel-Germany, Jan 2010
- 20. Advanced training workshop on marine finfish hatcheries, 4/5/2009-2/6/2009, TICA, Thailand.
- 21. Second Meeting on International Cooperation on Migratory Sharks Under the Convention on Migratory Species, Rome, Italy, 6-8 December 2008
- Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation and Management of Marine Turtles and their Habitats of the Indian Ocean and South-East Asia (IOSEA), Fifth Meeting of The Signatory States Bali-Indonesia, 20-23 Aug. 2008
- 23. 8th International Marine Biotechnology Conference (IMBC), March 11-16, 2007
- 24. International Seminar on coastal water management & sustainable use of marine resources, 14-16 November 2006, Dakar Senegal
- 25. Workshop on Technology and Management of Aquaculture, 26/8-12/9/2003, Taiwan
- International seminar on fishery resources and industry in the Arab world organized by the Marine Science Institute of Teshreen University in collaboration with the regional office of Arab Union of Food Industry, Latekkia, Syria, 24-27 May, 2006
- 27. International Conference on Coastal Oceanography and Sustainable Marine Aquaculture (ICCOSMA), Confluence & Synergy. Borneo, University Malaysia Sabah, Malaysia, May 2006
- 28. Memorandum of Understanding on the Conservation and Management of Marine Turtles and their Habitats of the Indian Ocean and South-East Asia, FOURTH MEETING, Mascut, 11-14 March 2006
- 29. Sixth International Aquarium Congress (IAC2004), 11-14/12/2004, Monterey, California
- 30. Advanced course on the use of veterinary drugs and vaccines in Mediterranean aquaculture, CIHEAM, 21-25/5/2003, Izmir, Turkey.
- Workshop on Bathing Water Quality, World Health Organization and Aqaba Special Zone Authority, Aqaba-Jordan, June/2003
- 32. International conference on food security and fisheries resource in the Islamic world, Al-Azhar University, Cairo, Egypt October, 2003
- 33. Seminar on Mollusc Production in Mediterranean Countries, CIHEAM -FAO, 27-31 May 2002, Zaragoza, Spain
- 34. International symposium of coral reef ecosystem, Nov. 23-27' 2000, Bali, Indonesia
- 35. Global Quality Assessment in Mediterranean Aquaculture, CIHEAM-IAMZ-FAO, Barcelona, 29 Nov.-2 Dec.1999.
- 36. Global information system (GIS) and data management, Agaba Region Authority (ARA), Oct 1999, Agaba- Jordan
- 37. Offshore Technologies for Aquaculture, Program FAIR, Techinion I. T. and British Council, 13-16 Oct. 1998,
- 38. Regional Symposium on Enhancement of Coastal Productivity in the Middle East through Mariculture Development. 14-16 Oct. 1996.
- 39. Advanced course on Marine Aquarium and Museum (technical aspects and operation) MUSEE Oceanographique, Monaco, France, Jan. 1984
- 40. Advanced course on fisheries stock assessment in countries of Red Sea and Gulf of Aden, UNDP, Aqaba, October 1982.

PUBLICATIONS

- Abba Salisu, Mohammad Al-Zibdah, Tariq Al-Najjar (2019). Can Powdered Microencapsulated Whole Egg, Ulva lactuca and Grasshopper Improve Growth Performance and Economic Viability of African Catfish (Clarias gariepinus) Fry? Aquaculture Studies, 19 (2): 125-132. DOI: 10.4194/2618-6381-v19_2_05
- Hadadin R., Al-Zibdah, M. Bakri, A., (2019). Investigating potential quorum sensing inhibition and antimicrobial activity of some algae collected from Gulf of Aqaba, The Red Sea. Fresenius Environmental Bulletin, 28(6) 4542-45-48
- 3. **Al-Zibdah Mohammad** (??). Integrated coastal zone measures in Aqaba; a vision for progress in Jordanian implementation (*in Arabic*), Mou'tah Lelbohouth Waddirasat, *in review*
- 4. **Al-Zibdah Mohammad,** Montaser Al-Mansi, Mustafa Ababneh (??). Morphological and molecular characterization of infectious parasites in table fish traded via Aqaba port of Jordan. Journal of Agricultural Science and Technology, *submitted*
- 5. **Al-Zibdah**, M., Jawasrah R, Badran M., (2018). Socioeconomic and cultural ethics of fishermen community in Agaba, Red Sea (in Arabic), 2018, 1 المحلة الاردنية للعلوم الاجتماعية ، المجلّد 11 ، العدد
- 6. Nayak, S., W. Koven, I. Meiri, I. Khozin-Goldberg, N. Isakov, **M. Al-Zibdah**, D. Zilberg. (2017). Dietary arachidonic acid affects immune function and fatty acid composition in cultured rabbitfish *Siganus rivulatus*. Fish & Shellfish Immunology, 68: 46-53
- 7. **Mohammad K. Al-Zibdah.** Giant Clam, *Tridacna spp.* (2015), A Potential Candidate for Green Aquaculture of High Revenue in Jordan's Gulf of Aqaba. Jordan Journal of Agricultural Sciences, Volume 11, No.3, 677-690.
- 8. **Mohammad Al-Zibdah** (2014). Growth profile of gilthead bream reared in mega flow re-circulating aquaculture system, Journal of Agricultural Science and Technology, A 4: 307-314.
- 9. Loya, Y. A. Genin, **M. el-Zibdeh**, M. Naumann, C. Wild (2014). Reviewing the status of coral reef ecology of the Red Sea: key topics and relevant research. Coral Reefs, DOI 10.1007/s00338-014-1170-1
- Mohammad Al-Zibdah (2013). The Aqaba Marine Protected Area Integration of Marine Science and Resource Management in the Gulf of Aqaba-Red Sea. International Journal of Marine Science, Vol.3, No.44: 361-367
- Mohammad Al-Zibdah (2013). The National Action Plan; An Approach to Prioritize Acts Related to the Conservation of Marine Turtles at Jordan's Gulf of Aqaba. Journal of Environmental Science and Engineering A2: 364-372
- 12. **Mohammad Al-Zibdah** and Laura Colgan (2013). In-situ surveillance of coral-turf algae interactions in fringing reefs of the Jordan's Gulf of Agaba- Red Sea. Fresenius Environmental Bulletin 22 (8a), 2379 2384
- 13. Malik S. Naumann, Claudio Richter, Claudius Mott, **Mohammad Al-Zibdah**, Riyad Manasrah and Christian Wild. Budget of coral-derived organic carbon in a fringing coral reef of the Gulf of Aqaba, Red Sea. Journal of Marine Systems 105–108 (2012) 20–29.
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- 37. **Al-Zibdah**, M. and N. Odat. 2007. Fishery status, growth, reproduction biology and feeding habit of two Scombrid fish from the Gulf of Agaba, Red Sea. Lebanese Science Journal, 8(2), 3-20
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Coordinator, Principal Investigator Of Multi Disciplinary Research Projects Funded Externally

- Monitoring of Coral Fish Parasites and Diseases, an Effective Tool for Coastal Environmental Health Assessment, duration two years, SRF, Jordan, fund amount 30,000, 2017 (accepted)
- The role of natural antidotes as an alternative to chemotherapy in fish aquaculture. 2016, duration two years, fund amount **50,000** US\$. SRF-Jordan
- EU-ENPI-CBC Project RAOP-MED "Risk Assessment Analysis on Offshore Platforms in South East Mediterranean. 2014. Fund amount **260,000** Euro. Duration two years. EU project
- Application and scale-up of rabbitfish production in Araba valley: Phase B. 2014. Duration three years. Fund amount 248,000 US\$. MERC-USAID
- Production of rabbitfish (*Siganus rivulatus*) through low-impact, land based mariculture, phase A. 2010. Duration three years. Fund amount **236,000**. MERC-USAID.
- Sustainable and profitable aquaculture of giant clam (*Tridacna spp.*) in the Jordanian sector of the Gulf of Aqaba (Red Sea), 2010. Duration three years. Fund amount **95,000** JD. SRF-Jordan
- Societal security and environmental impacts concerning mariculture in the Red Sea, 2007. Duration three years. Fund amount **123,000** Euro. NATO-Science for Peace project.
- Land-based mariculture wastewater treatment keeping the Red Sea clean, 2004. Duration three years. Fund amount **245,000** US\$. MERC-USAID
- Environmental assimilative capacity of coastal habitats and development of green mariculture of high revenue low environmental burden on the Jordanian sector of the Gulf of Aqaba, Red Sea, 2003. Duration 3 years. Fund amount **103,000** JD. Higher Council for Science and Technology-Jordan.

CONTRIBUTION TO RESEARCH AND MONITORING

- Principal investigator in the multi national research project Red Sea Program (RSP) 1996-2000. BMBF, Germany
- Principal investigator in the tri national research and monitoring program, Marine Peace Park (MERC program), 2000-2003
- Principal investigator "Evaluation, categorization and early-warning monitoring of coastal sites for environmental management" (ICZM). MERC program, 2004-2006

- Coordinator and principal investigator "Environmental assimilative capacity of coastal habitats and green mariculture of high revenue low environmental burden species on the Jordanian sector of the Gulf of Aqaba, Red Sea" Higher Council for Science and Technology/Jordan 2003-2006.
- Coordinator and principal investigator in a binational research project on Land based mariculture systems, Fast track-MERC program, 2006
- Coordinator and principal investigator in a binational research project on Land based mariculture systems,
 Siganidae phase I, Fast track-MERC program, 2010
- Coordinator and principal investigator in a binational research project on Land based mariculture systems, Siganidae phase II, Fast track-MERC program, 2014
- Principal investigator "monitoring program of marine environment in front of the industrial complex, coral reef and fish assemblages" Jordan Phosphate Mining Company.

PhD AND MASTER STUDENT ADVISOR

- The role of natural antidotes as an alternative to chemotherapy in fish, MSc, 2016
- Morphological and Molecular Characterization of Infectious Parasites in Table Fish Traded Via Aqaba Port of Jordan. MSc, 2015
- Effects of selected dietary ingredients on growth and economic viability during early stages of cultured African catfish (*Clarias gariepinus*), MSc thesis. 2014
- Cage fish farming impacts on water and sediment quality of Northern Sector in Gulf of Agaba, MSc thesis. 2008
- Ecology of plankton feeding fishes from Gulf of Agaba, MSc thesis. 2002
- Stock assessment of some commercial fishes from Gulf of Agaba, MSc thesis. 2002
- Fish larval taxonomy, recruitment and dispersal in Jordanian coast of the Gulf of Agaba, MSc thesis. 2001
- Feeding rhythm on zooplankton of Chromis pembea from the Gulf of Aqaba, MSc thesis. 2001
- Heterotrophic nutrition of the two species of Giant clams from Agaba Gulf, MSc thesis. 2004
- Ultraphytoplankton scavenging by coral mucus enhances food supply to benthic suspension feeders, MSc thesis
- Effect of Ammonium Supplements on the Early Stage Development of Giant Clams. MSc thesis. 2009
- Effect of flow rates in recirculating aquaculture systems RAS on growth profile and tissue quality of the gilthead bream, *Sparus aurata*. MSc thesis.
- Spatial and temporal distribution and ecology of giant clam (Tridacna spp.) in the Gulf of Aqaba, PhD

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EDUCATION

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- 1993/3/25: MSc of Fishery (thesis), Faculty of Fisheries, Nagasaki Univ., Nagasaki, Japan.
- 1978/6/20: BSc of Science (General biology), Faculty of Science, Jordan University, Amman, Jordan.

COMPUTER

Experience on word and data processing, presentation and statistics package (windows and Mac).

LANGUAGES:

- English and Arabic, fluent reading, writing and speaking
- Japanese moderate reading and good speaking