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1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

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| Linkedin | www.linkedin.com/in/stefanakisalexandros |
| ResearchGate | https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Alexandros_Stefanakis |
| GoogleScholar | https://scholar.google.gr/citations?user=o66_VaQAAAAJ&hl=el&oi=ao |
| Scopus | https://www.scopus.com/authid/detail.uri?authorId=6602375154 |
| Nationality | Greek |
| Date of Birth | March 1982 |

1.1 CV Highlights

Dr Alexandros Stefanakis is an Assistant Professor at the School of Environmental Engineering, Technical University of Crete in Greece. He is also Regional Coordinator for Africa and Middle East for the 'Wetlands for Water Pollution Control' Specialist Group, International Water Association. He is also the Editor-in-Chief of the Springer journal 'Circular Economy and Sustainability' and associate editor in other scientific journals.

In the past, he worked as a Researcher and Lecturer at the University of Brighton in the UK, the Helmholtz Center for Environmental Research – UFZ in Germany, the University of Beira Interior in Portugal, and the Democritus University of Thrace in Greece. He was also employed by the Germany-based multinational group Bauer Resources GmbH as Tender Manager & Wetlands Specialist in Middle East, and earlier by the Greek environmental company Ecosafe.

He is a graduate Environmental Engineer of the Democritus University of Thrace in Greece with MSc and PhD in ecological engineering and technology. His expertise lies in water and wastewater engineering and particularly in the field of nature-based solutions for water and

wastewater management, while he studies the content and role of circular economy across different disciplines and fields towards the transition to a sustainable society.

He is an Expert on sustainable and decentralized water and wastewater management with over 15 years' experience in the research, design, construction and operation of eco-technologies. He has implemented Constructed Wetlands across Europe, Middle East, Africa, USA and South America for a wide range of applications, including municipal wastewater, various industrial effluents, oilfield produced water, and sludge dewatering. Noteworthy was the world's largest industrial constructed wetland system for oilfield wastewater in the desert of Oman, where he was involved in the design, construction and operation of this flagship facility.

He has published several papers in international peer-review journals, books, book chapters and conference proceedings. He has and still is participating in various national and international research projects in many countries across four continents.

1.2 Summary of bibliographic data

Articles published in peer review journals: **30**

Scientific books: **3**

Chapters in scientific books: **37**

Conference abstracts and presentations: **40**

| | <u>Scopus</u> | <u>Google Scholar</u> |
|------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Citations: | 793 | 1323 |
| <i>h</i> -index: | 15 | 19 |

URLs: [[Scopus](#)] [[Google Scholar](#)] [[Linkedin](#)] [[ResearchGate](#)] [[ORCID](#)]

1.3 Research Interests

- Constructed Wetlands for wastewater treatment: pollutants removal & transformations processes, design optimization
- Treated effluents reuse in sustainable agriculture
- Sustainable management of industrial and agro-industrial effluents
- Sludges dewatering and reuse/recycling, resource recovery
- Applied research studies, full-scale systems implementation

- Promoting/understanding the role of nature-based solutions to reach the Sustainable Development Goals
- Sustainable urban water management
- New concepts and principles of circular economy towards a sustainable society

2. EDUCATION

- 2011 **Ph.D.**
Thesis: "Optimization of design parameters of Vertical Flow Constructed Wetlands for wastewater treatment and sludge dewatering using pilot-scale units"
Laboratory of Ecological Engineering and Technology, Department of Environmental Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece.
Supervisor: Professor Vassilios Tsihrintzis
- 2007 **Master of Science (M.Sc.)**
Thesis: "Operational alterations of pilot-scale Horizontal Subsurface Flow Constructed Wetlands for wastewater treatment"
Postgraduate Studies "Hydraulic Engineering - Hydraulic Works and Environment", Department of Civil Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece.
Supervisor: Professor Vassilios Tsihrintzis
- 2005 **Diploma of Environmental Engineer**
Thesis: "Tertiary stage of wastewater treatment using Activated Carbon Filters and Ultrafiltration Membranes"
Laboratory of Wastewater Treatment and Technology, Department of Environmental Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace (5-year Curriculum), Greece.
Supervisor: Professor Alexandros Aivazides
- 1999 **High school diploma**, Schools "Ellinogermaniki Agogi"

3. PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2019-present **Assistant Professor**, School of Environmental Engineering, Technical University of Crete, Chania, Greece.
- 2019-present **Regional Coordinator for Africa & Middle East**, Specialist Group “Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control”, International Water Association
- 2016-2020 **Visiting Lecturer**, Department of Engineering, Faculty of Engineering & Computer Science, German University of Technology, Muscat, Oman
- 2015-2019 **Tender Manager - Constructed Wetlands Expert**, Bauer Nimr LLC, Muscat, Oman & Bauer Resources GmbH, Schrobenhausen, Germany
- 2013-2018 **Constructed Wetlands Specialist & Wastewater Specialist**, Ecosafe Environmental Applications, Ippokratous Street 2, GR10679, Athens, Greece.
- 2014-2016 **Research Fellow**, Greek State Scholarship Foundation – IKY. Fellowships of Excellence for Postgraduate Studies in Greece – Siemens Program, State Scholarship Foundation – IKY. Department of Environmental and Natural Resources Management, University of Patras, Patras, Greece.
- 2014-2015 **Lecturer**, School of Environment and Technology, University of Brighton, Brighton, UK
- 2013-2014 **Researcher**, Department of Environmental Microbiology, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ, Leipzig, Germany.
- 2012 **Lecturer**, Postgraduate Studies “Environmental Engineering and Science”, Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Xanthi, Greece.
- 2012-2014 **Research Consultant**, Department of Civil Engineering and Architecture, University of Beira Interior, Covilha, Portugal.
- 2011-2012 **Scientific Consultant**, Engineer Directorate, Hellenic Army General Staff, Thessaloniki, Greece.
- 2008-2011 **Lecturer**, Postgraduate Studies “Systems Engineering and Management”, Departments of Civil Engineering and Electrical Engineering & Computer Engineering of the Democritus University of Thrace & Department of Business Management & Administration of the University of Macedonia, Xanthi, Greece.
- 2007-2010 **Teaching & Laboratory Assistant**, Department of Petroleum and Natural Gas Technology, Kavala Institute of Technology, Kavala, Greece.

2007-2011 **Research Assistant**, Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Xanthi, Greece.

2007-2007 **Research Assistant**, Department of Civil Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Xanthi, Greece.

4. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2020 **Invited Lecture**, Online Training Program “Shiraka Water Management in Iraq 2020”, The Hague Academy for Local Governance, The Netherlands

Lecture title:

- The use of Nature-based Solutions in Middle East for treatment and reuse of wastewaters of municipal and industrial sources: benefits, limitations and case studies

2019 **Invited Lecturer**, Online Training Program “Nature Based Solutions for Water and Land Management”, Cranfield University, UK

Lectures titles:

- The role of Constructed Wetlands in the Circular Economy paradigm
- Constructed Wetlands for industrial wastewater treatment
- Constructed Wetlands case study: oily water treatment
- Design and applications of Surface Flow Constructed Wetlands
- Introduction to Sludge Treatment Wetlands

2019-present **Assistant Professor**, School of Environmental Engineering, Technical University of Crete, Greece.

Main tutor of the courses:

- Unit Operations for Water and Wastewater Treatment (Undergraduate, 6th Semester)
- Chemical Processes for Water and Wastewater Treatment (Undergraduate, 7th Semester)
- Circular Economy and Environmental Management (Postgraduate, 2nd semester)
- Research Lectures (Co-Organizer, Postgraduate, 1st and 2nd semester)

2019 **Invited Lecture**, 5th Summer School on “Wastewater and Biosolids Management” (WWSS18), Postgraduate Study Program “Wastewater and Biosolids Management”, Hellenic Open University, Greece.

Lecture title:

- 2018
- Constructed Wetlands for sustainable wastewater treatment
- Invited Lecture**, 4th Summer School on “Wastewater and Biosolids Management” (WWSS18), Postgraduate Study Program “Wastewater and Biosolids Management”, Hellenic Open University, Greece.
- Lecture title:*
- 2017
- Constructed Wetlands for sustainable wastewater treatment
- Invited Lecture**. Learned Event of the Institution of Civil Engineers and the Oman Society of Engineers. Modern College of Business and Science, Oman.
- Lecture title:*
- 2016-2020
- Sustainable Wastewater Treatment Systems
- Visiting Lecturer**, Department of Engineering, Faculty of Engineering & Computer Science, German University of Technology in Oman, Oman
- Main tutor of the courses:*
- Global Challenges and Sustainable Development (Undergraduate, 5th semester)
 - Environmental Law (Undergraduate, 4th semester)
 - Environmental Impact Assessment (Undergraduate, 7th Semester)
- Co-Tutor of the course:*
- Green Building (Undergraduate, 7th Semester)
- 2016
- Invited Lecture**. Department of Soils, Water & Agricultural Engineering, College of Agricultural & Marine Sciences, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman.
- Lecture title:*
- Wetland technology and related sanitation issues
- 2014-2015
- Lecturer**, School of Environment and Technology, University of Brighton, UK
- Main tutor of the courses:*
- Water treatment Technology (Postgraduate, 1st semester)
 - Wastewater treatment technology (Postgraduate, 2nd semester)
- Co-Tutor of the courses:*
- Environmental pollution and control (Undergraduate, 2nd semester)
 - Wetlands (Undergraduate, 2nd semester)
 - Water and health (Undergraduate, 3rd semester)
 - Soil and water analysis (Undergraduate, 3rd semester)
 - Global environmental issues and management (Undergraduate, 4th semester)

- 2012 **Lecturer**, Master’s Program in “Environmental Engineering and Science”, Department of Environmental Engineering, Faculty of Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece
Lecture title:
- Alternative, ecological wastewater treatment and sludge dewatering with Vertical Flow Constructed Wetlands (3-hr Lecture)
- 2008-2011 **Lecturer**, Postgraduate Studies “Systems Engineering and Management”, Department of Civil Engineering and Department of Electrical Engineering & Computer Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace and Department of Business Management & Administration, University of Macedonia, Greece
Course “Environmental Systems Management and Modelling”, Lecture titles:
- Natural Models of Constructed Wetlands for wastewater treatment
 - Wastewater sludge management with Natural Treatment Systems
 - Use of special materials as further treatment of Constructed Wetlands effluent
 - Constructed Wetlands for wastewater treatment and sludge dewatering – Performance and modelling
- 2007-2010 **Teaching & Laboratory Assistant**, Department of Petroleum and Natural Gas Technology, Kavala Institute of Technology, Kavala, Greece
Co-Tutor of the course:
- Environmental Protection (Undergraduate, 7th semester)

5. ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

- 2020-present Member of the 3-person Committee for the Future of the School of Environmental Engineering, Technical University of Crete, Greece
- 2020 Member of the 3-person Evaluation Committee for teaching assignment to Young Scientists and Doctors, School of Environmental Engineering, Technical University of Crete, Greece
- 2018 Member of the Occupational Safety, Health Protection and Fire Hazard Committee, German University of Technology, Oman
- 2017-2019 Manager, Tender Department, Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman
- 2015-2019 Manager, Research & Development, Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Bauer Resources GmbH, Germany

- 2007-2011 Management of the Laboratory of Ecological Engineering and Technology, Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece
- 2009 International conference organization: IWA International Conference “2nd International Conference on Water Economics, Finance and Statistics”, Alexandroupolis, Greece, July 3-5
- 2009 International conference organization: IWA International Conference “Asset Management of Medium and Small Wastewater Utilities”, Alexandroupolis, Greece, July 3-5
- 2005-2011 General Secretary, Cretans Association of Xanthi, Greece
- 2003-2005 Member of the Board, Radio station Group, Students Culture Association of Xanthi “Gefyra”, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece
- 2003-2005 Chair, Cretan Students Association in Xanthi, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece
- 2003-2004 Member of the Board, Students Culture Association of Xanthi “Gefyra”, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece
- 2002-2004 Representative of the Students Association of the Democritus University of Thrace to the General Assembly of the Department of Environmental Engineering, Greece

6. EDITORIAL POSITIONS

- 2020-present **Editor-in-Chief**, Circular Economy and Sustainability, Springer
- 2020-present **Associate Editorial**, Environmental Science and Pollution Research, Springer
- 2020 **Guest Editor**, Special Issue “Strategies toward Green Deal Implementation - Water and Raw Materials”, Circular Economy and Sustainability, Springer
- 2020 **Guest Editor**, Special Issue “International Ecological Engineering: 2020 Symposium, Closed Cycles and the Circular Society”, Circular Economy and Sustainability, Springer
- 2020 **Guest Editor**, Special Issue “Inaugural Conference of the IS4CE”, Circular Economy and Sustainability, Springer
- 2020 **Guest Editor**, Special Issue “Sustainability in an Agro-Based Bioeconomy: Prospects and Challenges in a Post-Covid Era”, Circular Economy and Sustainability, Springer

- 2020 **Guest Editor**, Special Issue "Environmental Education and Green Behavior", Sustainability, MDPI
- 2020 **Guest Editor**, Special Issue "Advances in Processes Understanding and Designs of Constructed Wetlands Applied for Treatment of Various Wastewater Sources", Water, MDPI
- 2020 **Guest Editor**, Special Issue "Hybrid Systems Using Different Technologies for Wastewater Treatment and Reuse", Water, MDPI.
- 2019 **Guest Editor**, Special Issue "Experiences from Constructed Wetland Technology in Industrial Sector", Applied Sciences, MDPI.

7. DISTINCTIONS, HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2020 **Contributor** to Policy Brief "Nature-based solutions to climate change: towards a blue carbon economy future", Task Force 2 Climate Change and Environment, Saudi Arabia presidency of the G20 2020.
- 2020 **Invited Member** of the Advisory Panel, H2020 project NICE: Innovative and Enhanced Nature-based Solutions for Sustainable Urban Water Cycle
- 2020 **Invited Member** of the Enablers Advisory Board, H2020 WATERAGRI project
- 2020 **Editor's Choice Paper**, "Constructed Wetlands for Sustainable Wastewater Treatment in Hot and Arid Climates: Opportunities, Challenges and Case Studies in the Middle East", Water, 12(6), 1665.
- 2019 **Regional Coordinator** for Africa & Middle East, Specialist Group "Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control", International Water Association
- 2019 **External Advisory Board Member** from the industry, Institutional Standards Assessment, Oman Academic Accreditation Authority. German University of Technology in Oman.
- 2018 **Task Group Member**, Mainstreaming the Use of Treatment Wetlands, International Water Association (IWA), Workshop on the preparation of a new Wetlands STR, BOKU University, February 19-21, Vienna, Austria.
- 2017 **Scientist Team Award**, Oikopolis Awards.
Oikopolis Institution, Awards for Environmental Sensitivity. Voluntary Organization for the Urban Environment ECOCITY, June 1, Athens, Greece.
- 2016 **Invited Member**, Mid-career consultation group, International Water Association.
- 2016 **Best presentation Award**, Young Water Professionals Competition.

- 15th IWA International Conference on Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control, September 4-9, Gdansk, Poland.
- 2015-2016 **Research Ambassador**
STM Digest Program, as an Early Career Researcher, Elsevier.
- 2012 **Young Scientist's Research**, Oikopolis Awards
Oikopolis Institution, Awards for Environmental Sensitivity. Voluntary Organization for the Urban Environment ECOCITY, June 5, Onassis Foundation, Athens, Greece.
- 2009 **Honor Award** in Young Researchers Competition for the study: "An experimental study of activated sludge treatment in Sludge Drying Reed Beds". Third AMIREG International Conference: Towards Sustainable Development: Assessing the footprint of resource utilization and hazardous waste management, September 7-9, Ionic Center, Athens, Greece

8. CONFERENCE, WORKSHOP AND PANEL INVITATIONS

8.1 Invited Presentations, Keynote & Plenary

1. *"Water Reuse for a Sustainable Industry: Challenges and Opportunities in a Circular Economy"*, Invited Panelist, horEYEzon Webinar organized by the Young Engineers/Future Leaders Committee of the World Federation of Engineering Organisations (WFEO) and European Young Engineers, January 26, 2020.
2. *"Constructed Wetlands for sustainable wastewater management: applications and opportunities"*, 1st International Conference on Innovative Technologies for a Sustainable Environment (ICITSE2020), The 12th Annual National Convention of the Society of Environmental Engineers of the Philippines, Zoom Webinar, December 28, 2020.
3. *"Constructed Wetlands for wastewater treatment in hot and arid climates"*, 1st International Forum on Water Environment in Cold and Arid Regions - WECAR 2020, Lanzhou Jiaotong University, Lanzhou, China, October 16-18, 2020.
4. *"Examples of Nature-based solutions for sustainable and circular water management"*, Online Circular Economy Symposium, Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FICCI), New Delhi, India, October 15-16, 2020.

5. *"Nature-Based Solutions for sustainable urban water management in a circular city"*, 13th annual online conference of the European Forum for Industrial Biotechnology & the Bioeconomy (EFIB), Austria, Vienna, October 5-7, 2020.
6. *"Circular Economy and Sustainability: working together for a sustainable society"*, European Forum for Industrial Biotechnology & the Bioeconomy (EFIB), Sustainability Dialogues Webinars: Bioprocesses & Technologies - The value of bio-based innovation for the industry, October 1, 2020.
7. *"Boosting sustainability in the oil & gas industry: treatment of produced water in a large Constructed Wetland in Oman, environmental benefits and reuse options"*, Cutting-Edge Water Technologies Showcase Conference, MEDRC, Muscat, Oman, December 2-3, 2019.
8. *"Adapting circular economy in the Oman industry: reuse of oilfield produced water ecologically treated in a Constructed Wetland for biosaline irrigation in the desert"*, 1st EU-GCC Workshop on the Energy-Water Nexus, Muscat, Oman, April 24-25, 2019.
9. *"Constructed wetlands – the Greek experiences"*, AquaNES Workshop Market Needs & Potential for Natural Water Treatment Systems in Greece & the Eastern Mediterranean, Athens, Greece, November 22, 2018.
10. *"The sustainable technology of Constructed Wetlands for low-cost, ecological wastewater treatment"*, Annual Health, Safety and Environmental Conference, Accra, Ghana, July 20, 2018.
11. *"Biosaline agriculture under desert climate using treated industrial effluents"*, Global Forum for Innovations in Agriculture, Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Centre, Abu Dhabi, UAE, February 5-6, 2018.
12. *"Sustainable Wastewater Treatment Systems"*, Learned Event, Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE) and Oman Society of Engineers (OSC), Modern College of Business and Science, Muscat, Oman, November 14, 2017.
13. *"Constructed Wetlands for industrial wastewater treatment"*, 7th International Symposium on Wetland Pollutant Dynamics and Control – WETPOL, Montana, USA, August 21-25, 2017.
14. *"Constructed Wetlands as green infrastructure for wastewater management"*, International Workshop on Wastewater Treatment & Application, Cultural Center, Sultan Qaboos University, Muscat, Oman, March 22, 2017.
15. *"A case study of implementing ecological waste management in the industrial sector in Oman"*, 1st International Exhibition and Forum "Verdetec" Environmental Technologies, Mediterranean Exhibition Center, Athens, Greece, March 5, 2017.

16. *"Sustainable water management solutions in Oman"*, Oman 2016 Power & Water Summit, Oman Convention and Exhibition Center, Muscat, Oman, December 5-6, 2016.
17. *"Solutions to Environmental Problems in the Saudi Arabian Water Sector"*, Expert Workshop, German-Saudi Arabian Liaison Office for Economic Affairs, Asharqia Chamber of Commerce & Industry, Dammam, Saudi Arabia, October 2-3, 2016.
18. *"Wastewater Treatment in Oman: status and challenges"*, Oman Waste & Environmental Services Exhibition & Conference, Muscat, Oman, May 23–25, 2016.
19. *"Wetland technology and related sanitation issues"*, Department of Soils, Water & Agricultural Engineering, College of Agricultural & Marine Sciences, Sultan Qaboos University, October 16, 2016.
20. *"Constructed wetlands for effective sanitation in low-income regions"*, Workshop on new approaches to monitoring and managing waterborne disease transmission in Brazil and the UK, Researcher Links scheme offered within the Newton Fund, the British Council and FAPESP. Sao Paulo, Brazil, February 2-6, 2015.
21. *"Vertical Flow Constructed Wetlands for wastewater and sludge treatment"*, Workshop Integrated Management of Wastewater Sludge from Wastewater Treatment Plants and Wastewater Treatment with Natural Systems, Commercial and Industrial Chamber of Rodopi, Komotini, Greece, May 7, 2008.

8.2. Organizing and/or Chairing Sessions at International Conferences

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| 2020 | Session <i>"Bioeconomy"</i> , 1 st International Conference <i>"Strategies toward Green Deal Implementation - Water and Raw Materials (ICGreenDeal2020)"</i> , National Center for Research and Development & Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland, December 14-16, 2020. |
| 2020 | Session <i>"Cooperation for Climate"</i> , 1 st International Conference <i>"Strategies toward Green Deal Implementation - Water and Raw Materials (ICGreenDeal2020)"</i> , National Center for Research and Development & Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland, December 14-16, 2020. |
| 2020 | Session <i>"Spotlight on sustainable living – The city of the future"</i> , 13 th annual online conference of the European Forum for Industrial Biotechnology & the Bioeconomy (EFIB), Austria, Vienna, October 5-7, 2020. |
| 2019 | Organizing and Chairing Special Session <i>"Constructed wetlands projects under hot and arid climates"</i> , 8 th International Symposium on Wetland Pollutant Dynamics and Control - WETPOL, Aarhus, Denmark, June 17-21. |

- 2019 Session "*Best Practices*", Produced Water Society Middle East Conference 2019, Muscat, Oman, October 22-24.
- 2019 Session "*Constructed Wetland systems II*", International symposium on Constructed Wetlands & Small Decentralized Wastewater Treatment Plants - DOMUS, Patras, Greece, August 29-31.
- 2018 Session "*Young Water Professionals session*", 16th IWA International Conference on Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control, Valencia, Spain, September 30 - October 1.
- 2018 Session "*Wetlands for Industrial Pollution Control*", 16th IWA International Conference on Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control, Valencia, Spain, September 30 - October 1.
- 2017 Session "*Wetlands for Industrial Pollution Control*", 7th International Symposium on Wetland Pollutant Dynamics and Control – WETPOL, August 21-25, Montana, USA.
- 2017 Session "*Macro-Nutrient Cycling in Wetlands I*", 7th International Symposium on Wetland Pollutant Dynamics and Control – WETPOL, August 21-25, Montana, USA.

9. PROFESSIONAL/SCIENTIFIC MEMBERSHIPS

- 2020-present International Society for Circular Economy
- 2020-present Hellenic Water Association
- 2020-present Panhellenic Association of Certified Environmental Engineers
- 2020-present Water Supply and Sanitation Collaborative Council
- 2019-present Middle East Water Forum
- 2019-present Produced Water Society
- 2018- present International Ecological Engineering Society
- 2013- present International Water Association
- 2014- present Constructed Wetlands Association
- 2013- present DWA, Deutsche Vereinigung für Wasserwirtschaft, Abwasser und Abfall e.V.
- 2008- present Global Network on Environmental Science and Technology (Global Nest)
- 2007- present Technical Chamber of Greece

10. RESEARCH PROJECTS

1. *Constructed Wetlands optimization for landfill leachate treatment*
School of Environmental Engineering, Technical University of Crete, Greece (2020-2021)
2. *Mechanisms of selected macrophytes in the removal of bacterial and viral contaminants from wastewater.*
Bindura University of Science Education, Zimbabwe & Technical University of Crete, Greece (2018-2019)
3. *Biogas feasibility study and trial using reeds biomass from Constructed Wetlands.*
Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Technical University of Hamburg-Harburg (TUHH), Germany (2019-2020)
4. *Trial for hydroponic fodder production using treated wastewater from Nimr Water Treatment Plant.*
Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & SWAC, USA (2019-2020)
5. *Aquaculture feasibility study for Nimr Water Treatment Plant.*
Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman (2019)
6. *Climate Impact Assessment of Nimr Water Treatment Plant.*
Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Laboratory of General and Agricultural Meteorology, Agricultural University of Athens, Greece. (2018-2019)
7. *Evaluation of an artificial wetland for tannery wastewater treatment.*
Universidad Centrocidental Lisandro Alvarado, Project Number 030-AG-2014, Venezuela (2014-2017)
8. *A 2-year scientific research trial on Jojoba plant cultivation at Nimr Water Treatment Plant.*
Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Egyptian Natural Oils Company, Egypt & Petroleum Development, Oman (2018-2019)
9. *A pilot and full scale constructed wetland for glass industry wastewater treatment.*
Safety Glass Khorasan Glass Industry, Iran (2017-2018)
10. *Monitoring the performance of the composting trial at Nimr Water Treatment Plant in Oman via laboratory measurements.*
Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Laboratory of Solids and Hazardous Waste Management, Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece. (2017-2018)
11. *Modelling the sustainability of crop irrigation with oil & gas produced water in drylands.*

Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Cranfield Water Science Institute, School of Water, Energy and Environment, Cranfield University, UK. (2017-2018)

- 12.** *Measurement and assessment of soil quality irrigated by treated produced water in Nimr Area.*

Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Department of Earth Sciences, College of Science, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman (2017-2019)

- 13.** *Agriculture & economic feasibility study on the agricultural use of wetland-treated produced water from oil production for cotton/ricinus cultivation in Oman.*

Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Ecotropic Consulting. Co-funded by Deutsche Investitions- und Entwicklungsgesellschaft GmbH, Germany (2016-2019)

- 14.** *Development of a novel design for a Mobile Containerized Constructed Wetland.*

Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman (2016-2017)

- 15.** *Investigation of horizontal roughing filter as polishing stage of effluents from wastewater treatment plants.*

German University of Technology in Oman & Binaloud University of Mashhad, Iran. (2016-2017)

- 16.** *Interactive effects of HPAM and salinity on wetland plant growth and ecophysiology.*

Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Department of Bioscience, Aarhus University, Denmark. (2015-2016)

- 17.** *Produced water biosaline agriculture research project in Nimr Water Treatment Plant.*

Bauer Nimr LLC, Oman & Petroleum Development Oman, Oman (2015 – 2018)

- 18.** *Development of an innovative Constructed Wetland for the treatment of agro-industrial wastewater.*

Fellowships of Excellence for Postgraduate Studies in Greece - Siemens Programme, State Scholarship Foundation (IKY), Greece. (2014 – 2016)

- 19.** *Wastewater treatment as a barrier to excreta-borne disease: removal of pathogens and novel indicator organisms in trickling filters and aerated reed beds.*

Research Investment Scheme (SETRIF), School of Environment and Technology, University of Brighton, UK (2015)

- 20.** *Wetland Systems for wastewater treatment: Performance evaluation of constructed wetlands treating water contaminated with phenol and m-cresol.*

Funded by British Petroleum (BP). Department of Environmental Microbiology, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ), Germany (2012 – 2014)

- 21.** *SAFIRA II research program: revitalization of contaminated land – strategies and technologies.*
Department Environmental Biotechnology, Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ), Germany (2010-2014)
- 22.** *Integrated treatment of cork processing wastewaters for potential reuse.*
Portuguese Foundation for Science and Technology (FCT) & European Regional Development Fund in Portugal. Department of Civil Engineering and Architecture, Department of Chemistry, University of Beira Interior, Portugal (2012 – 2014)
- 23.** *Monitoring of rainwater quality from industrial areas of Alexandroupolis – Drama – Kavala – Orestiada – Sappes.*
Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece (2011)
- 24.** *Simulation of groundwater flow.*
Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece (2010 – 2011)
- 25.** *Hydrochemical investigation of surface and underground water of Perama region, Prefecture of Evros.*
Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece (2010)
- 26.** *INTERREG IIIa: PHARE CBC Greece-Bulgaria “Program Application Services for Monitoring of the Surface and Underground Water of Nestos River Basin”.*
Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece (2008)
- 27.** *Integrated management of wastewater sludge from wastewater treatment plants and wastewater treatment with natural systems.*
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12. INTERVIEWS & ARTICLES IN MAGAZINES, NEWSLETTERS AND WEB-PORTALS

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2. "Middle East & Africa Regional Report: Third expansion of the flagship Nimr Constructed Wetlands in Oman", International Water Association Specialist Group on Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control. Newsletter No. 54, p. 18-19, February 2020.
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9. *"A Wetland Facility treating oily water in Middle East"*, International Water Association Specialist Group on Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control. Newsletter No. 51, pp 9-10, January 2018.
10. *"Cleaning polluted water with the power of nature"*, Interview to the Greek State TV "ERT1", Show "Pame Allios", May 13, 2017.
11. *"Reuse of oilfield produced water ecologically treated in a Constructed Wetland for irrigation of biofuel and other useful plants"*, EcoTec Magazine – Technology for the Environment, Member of the European Environmental Press (EEP), Greece, April 2017.
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15. *"Remediation of groundwater contaminated with hydrocarbons in industrial areas using natural treatment systems"*, EcoTec Magazine – Technology for the Environment, Member of the European Environmental Press (EEP), Greece, November 2014.
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22. *“Constructed Wetlands: wastewater treatment method. sustainable, economic and ecological solution for small and medium sized settlements”*, EcoTec Magazine – Technology for the Environment, Member of the European Environmental Press (EEP), pp. 46-49, Greece, March 2012.

12. SCIENTIFIC & RESEARCH COMMITTEES

1. Scientific Committee, 9th International Symposium on Wetland Pollutant Dynamics and Control – WETPOL, BOKU University, Vienna, Austria, September 13-17, 2021.
2. Scientific Committee, 8th European Bioremediation Conference (EBC-VIII), European Federation of Biotechnology, Chania, Greece, June 13-18, 2021.
3. Scientific Committee, 1st online International Conference “Strategies toward Green Deal Implementation - Water and Raw Materials (ICGreenDeal2020)”, National Center for Research and Development & Ministry of Climate and Environment, Poland, December 14-16, 2020.
4. Scientific Committee, 4th GreenTech Challenge, Environmental Economics and Sustainability Unit, National Technical University of Athens, Greece.
5. Scientific Committee, 17th IWA International Conference on Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control, Bangkok, Thailand, November 16-19, 2020.
6. Scientific Committee & Reviewer, IWA World Water Congress & Exhibition 2020, Copenhagen, Denmark, October 18-23, 2020.

7. Scientific Committee, International Network for Economic Research Conference on Circular Economy at Micro and Macro level – INFER, Alexandroupolis, Greece, July 1-3, 2020.
8. Scientific Committee, International Symposium on Constructed Wetlands & Small Decentralized Wastewater Treatment Plants. Institute of Chemical Engineering Sciences, ICE-HT, Foundation for Research and Technology – Hellas (FORTH), Patras, Greece, August 29-31, 2019.
9. Scientific Committee, 8th International Symposium on Wetland Pollutant Dynamics and Control – WETPOL. Aarhus University, Denmark, June 17-21, 2019.
10. Scientific Committee & Reviewer, 16th IWA International Conference on Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control, Valencia, Spain, October 7-11, 2018.
11. Scientific Committee, IWA World Water Congress & Exhibition 2018, Tokyo, Japan, September 16-21, 2018.
12. Research Committee 2017, External member to advice on research engagement, Caledonian College of Engineering, Muscat, Oman.
13. Scientific Committee, 7th International Symposium on Wetland Pollutant Dynamics and Control – WETPOL, Montana State University, Montana, USA, August 21-25, 2017.
14. Technical Program Committee, 6th International Conference on Materials Science and Engineering (CMSE 2017), Beijing, China, October 24-27, 2017.
15. Research Committee 2016, External member to advice on research engagement, Caledonian College of Engineering, Muscat, Oman.
16. Technical Program Committee, 5th International Conference on Materials Science and Engineering (CMSE 2016), Taiwan, November 8-11, 2016.
17. Scientific Committee & Reviewer, 15th IWA International Conference on Wetland Systems for Water Pollution Control, Gdansk, Poland, September 4-8, 2015.
18. Technical Program Committee, 5th International Conference on Materials Science and Engineering (CMSE 2015), Macau, China, August 3-6, 2015
19. Technical Program Committee, 4th International Conference on Biomedical Engineering and Biotechnology (ICBEB 2015), Shanghai - China, August 18 - 21, 2015.
20. Technical Program Committee, 3rd Global Conference on Materials Science and Engineering (CMSE 2014), Shanghai, China, October 20-23, 2014.
21. Technical Program Committee, 2nd Global Conference on Materials Science and Engineering (CMSE 2013), Xianning, China, November 20-22, 2013.

22. Organizing Committee, International Conference “2nd International Conference on Water Economics, Finance and Statistics”, International Water Association, Alexandroupolis, Greece, July 3-5, 2009.
23. Organizing Committee, International Conference “Asset Management of Medium and Small Wastewater Utilities”, International Water Association, Alexandroupolis, Greece, July 3-4, 2009.

13. REVIEWER AND EVALUATOR

13.1 International Scientific Journals

Elsevier: Ecological Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Water Research, Waste Management, Journal of Hazardous Materials, Science of the Total Environment, Bioresource Technology, Chemosphere, Environmental Pollution, Journal of Cleaner Production, Sustainable Production and Consumption, Journal of Environmental Management, Journal of Environmental Sciences, Heliyon, Applied Energy, Applied Mathematical Modelling, Egyptian Journal of Remote Sensing, Journal of Water Process Engineering, Journal of Environmental Sciences, Environmental Technology & Innovation.

Springer: Circular Economy and Sustainability, Environmental Science and Pollution Research, Reviews of Environmental Contamination and Toxicology, Environment Development and Sustainability, Journal of Environmental Health Science and Engineering, Applied Water Science, Hydrobiologia, Water Conservation Science and Engineering, Frontiers of Environmental Science & Engineering, Waste and Biomass Valorization, Environmental Processes, Reviews in Environmental Science and Bio/Technology, International Journal of Environmental Science and Technology, SN Applied Sciences, Landscape and Ecological Engineering

Taylor & Francis: Environmental Technology, Desalination and Water Treatment, Soil and Sediment Contamination, International Journal of Phytoremediation, Journal of Environmental Engineering and Landscape Management,

Wiley: Water Environment Research, Journal of Chemical Technology & Biotechnology,
International Water Association: Water Science and Technology, Blue-Green Systems, Open Water Journal, Water Policy

MDPI: Water, Sustainability, Applied Sciences, Materials, Polymers, Microorganisms, Processes, Journal of Marine Science and Engineering, International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, Remote Sensing, Environments

Other: Frontiers in Chemical Engineering, Frontiers in Microbiology, Revista Ambiente & Água (Instituto de Pesquisas Ambientais em Bacias Hidrográficas), Global Network of Environmental Science and Technology Journal (Global Nest), Acta Scientiarum Polonorum 'Formatio Circumiectus' (University of Agriculture in Krakow), Current World Environment, (Environmental Research Publishers), AIMS Environmental Science, Progress in Industrial Ecology (Inderscience Publishers), Environmental Engineering and Management Journal (Technical University of IASI), Journal of Engineering and Technological Sciences (Indonesian Engineering Association), Journal of Water and Land Development (Polish Academy of Science), Water SA (South African Water Research Commission), International Journal of Hydrology Science and Technology (Interscience Publishers), Journal of Microbiology, Biotechnology and Food Sciences (Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra), Journal of Africa Development and Resources Research Institute, Environmental Engineering Science, (Association of Environmental Engineering & Science Professors – Mary Ann Liebert Inc), Journal of Environmental Engineering (American Society of Civil Engineers), American Journal of Environmental Sciences (Science Publications), African Journal of Biomedical Research (African Journals OnLine), Journal of Solid Waste Technology and Management (Widener University School of Engineering), Journal of Geoscience and Environment Protection (Scientific Research Academic Publisher), Journal of Microbiology Biotechnology and Food Sciences (Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra), African Journal of Environmental Science and Technology (Academic Journals), African Journal of Biotechnology (Academic Journals), Journal of Toxicology (Hindawi Publishing Corporation), Advances in Meteorology (Hindawi Publishing Corporation), Chemical Industry and Chemical Engineering Quarterly (Association of Chemical Engineers of Serbia).

13.2 Books

Review of book proposals for Elsevier, Springer, Wiley & Sons, International Water Association, Palgrave Macmillan, IGI Global

13.3 External Reviewer and Evaluator of Research Proposals

1. National Technical University of Athens, Basic Research Support Program (ΠΕΒΕ2020).

2. Operational Programme Competitiveness, Entrepreneurship and Innovation 2014-2020 (EPAnEK) (2020).
3. Kuwait Foundation for the Advancement of Sciences (KFAS) (2020).
4. European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST), EU Framework Programme Horizon 2020 (2016-2018).
5. Restart 2016 – 2020, Programmes for Research, Technological Development and Innovation. Programme “New Strategic Infrastructure Units – Young Scientists”. Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation. EU Framework Programme Horizon 2020 (2017-2018).
6. Chilean National Science and Technology Commission (CONICYT - Chile), FONDECYT Initiation into Research (2017).

13.4 External Evaluator of Master and Ph.D. Theses

1. Technical University of Crete, Greece: (2) Diploma Thesis [2020]
2. University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa: (1) M.Sc. Thesis (1) [2019]
3. University of Mauritius, Reduit, Mauritius: (1) Ph.D. Thesis [2020]

14. STUDENTS ADVISING

Technical University of Crete, Greece

M.Sc. Degree: 2 students (2020-present)

Graduate Diploma: 2 students (2020-present)

Hellenic Open University

Graduate Diploma: 2 students (2020-present)

Sultan Qaboos University, Oman

Ph.D. Degree: 1 student (2019-present)

German University of Technology in Oman

Graduate Diploma: 3 students (2018, 2019)

University of Brighton

M.Sc. Degree: 1 student (2015)

15. CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED

1. International Conference “2nd International Conference on Water Economics, Finance and Statistics”, International Water Association, Alexandroupolis, Greece, July 3-5, 2009.
2. International Conference “Asset Management of Medium and Small Wastewater Utilities”, International Water Association, Alexandroupolis, Greece, July 3-4, 2009.
3. Workshop, INTERREG IIC-BEACHMED-e “Strategic management of coastline for sustainable development of Mediterranean coastal zones”. Department of Environmental Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Prefecture of East Macedonia & Thrace, Xanthi, April 10, 2008.
4. Workshop “Management of transboundary waters”. Department of Environmental Engineering & Department of Civil Engineering, Democritus University of Thrace, Xanthi, November 16. 2007.

16. TRAINING SEMINARS/SCIENTIFIC WORKSHOPS

1. *Workshop on Nanomaterials behavior and Wetlands: A beginners’ guide to robust research.* York, UK, September 13, 2015.
2. *Young Leaders Seminar* - Educational opportunity for personal development. Seminars presented by Dr Ronald Heifetz and Dr Steve Jarding (Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University). Athens, Greece, July 13-15, 2015.
3. *Wetland Workshop.* Helmholtz Centre for Environmental Research – UFZ, Leipzig, Germany, June 12-14, 2013

17. ENGINEERING DESIGN STUDIES

More than 60 complete design-engineering studies of wastewater treatment facilities using nature-based solutions (Constructed Wetlands, Stabilization ponds, Roughing Filters, etc.) in various countries and for many different wastewater sources between 2013-2021. The design flow range varies between 5 m³/day up to 100,000 m³/day for some applications.

| Number of engineering studies per country | |
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| ▪ Oman (33) | ▪ Greece (16) |
| ▪ Saudi Arabia (6) | ▪ United Arab Emirates (11) |
| ▪ Qatar (5) | ▪ Lebanon (4) |
| ▪ Jordan (4) | ▪ Iran (3) |
| ▪ USA (3) | ▪ Nigeria (1) |
| ▪ South Africa (1) | ▪ Philippines (1) |
| ▪ Zimbabwe (1) | ▪ Bahrain (1) |
| ▪ Kuwait (1) | ▪ Chad (1) |
| ▪ Brazil (1) | ▪ Venezuela (1) |
| ▪ Portugal (1) | ▪ Chile (1) |

Domestic & municipal wastewater: Oman (16), United Arab Emirates (7), Saudi Arabia (6), Greece (6), Lebanon (4), Jordan (2), Iran (2), Qatar (2), USA (2), Nigeria (1), Philippines (1), South Africa (1), Zimbabwe (1)

Sludge Treatment Wetlands: Oman (4), Jordan (1), Greece (2)

Wastewater from the oil and gas industry: Oman (6), United Arab Emirates (3), Bahrain (1), Qatar (1), Kuwait (1), Chad (1)

Mine drainage: Brazil (1), Oman (1)

Glass industry wastewater: Iran (1)

Olive mill wastewater: Greece (2)

Poultry farms wastewater: United Arab Emirates (1), Qatar (1)

Cattle farms wastewater: Oman (2)

Slaughterhouse wastewater: Jordan (1), Oman (1), Greece (1)

Dairy farms wastewater: Oman (2), Qatar (1), Greece (1)

Landfill leachate: Oman (1), Leachate (1)

Cork processing wastewater: Portugal (1)

Car engines manufacturing wastewater: USA (1)

Tanneries wastewater: Venezuela (1)

Packaging materials manufacturing wastewater: Greece (1)

Car wash facility wastewater: Greece (1)

Pulp and paper industry wastewater: Greece (1)

Wineries wastewater: Chile (1)

18. LANGUAGE SKILLS

English

Reading : Excellent

Writing : Excellent

Speech : Excellent

Certificates : Certificate of Proficiency (2003, University of Cambridge)

First Certificate (2001, University of Cambridge)

German

Reading : Excellent

Writing : Excellent

Speech : Excellent

Certificates : Zentrale Mittelstufenprüfung (1998, Goethe-Institut)