

# Programme: ICM-MENA 2018 Agenda

The Registration Desk will be open on Tuesday 16 October 2018 from 8.30 to 10.00 at University of Suez Canal University' Conference Main Hall (The new university campus). If you arrive at the Conference later than that time, please find Dr. Amr Adel ElKelish\*, (+201005145454) the member of Conference Organizing Committee, and he will organize your registration.

*Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>*

8:30 – 10:00	Registration
<b>Opening Ceremony</b> Moderator: Dr. Amr A. Elkelish (Local Organizing Committee)	
10:00 – 10:45	<b>National Anthem</b> <b>Welcome Speeches</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Prof. Ishrak Khafagy Chairman of Organizing Committee</li> <li>- A. Prof. Ahmed Abdel-Azeem Conference's General Secretary and President of ASFC</li> <li>- Prof. Youssef Gherbaway Conference's Chairman</li> <li>- Prof. Mohamed Saad Zaghoul The Dean of Faculty of Science-Suez Canal University</li> <li>- Prof. Magda Hagraas Vice President for Graduate Studies and Research-Suez Canal University</li> <li>- Prof. Atef Abou El-Nour President of Suez Canal University</li> </ul>
10:45- 11:00	Group Photo
11:00 – 11:30	Networking Coffee break
11:30 – 12:30	<b>Opening Keynote Speech</b> Moderator: A. Prof. Abdelghafar Abu Elsaoud (Local Organizing Committee) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dr. Waseem ElSeesy Egyptian urologist and Egyptologist "Medicine and other Sciences in Ancient Egypt"</li> </ul>
<b>Symposium I: Fungi in a Changing World</b> Session I Moderators: Prof. Samira R. Mansour and Prof. Ishrak Khafagy	
12:30 – 14:00	<b>Opening Keynote Speeches</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ahmed M. Abdel-Azeem President of ASFC, Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt. "Fungi in Egypt: A galaxy to discover"</li> <li>- Andreas Bruder University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland, Switzerland. "Ecology of aquatic hyphomycetes and the role of biodiversity"</li> </ul>
12:30-13:15	
13:15-14:00	
14:00 – 15:00	<b>Lunch</b>

Symposium 2: Fungal Biotechnology Session I		
Moderators: Prof. Michael Weiß Prof. Atef M. Diab and Prof. Mohamed A. Abdel-Rahman		
15:00 – 15:45	<b>Opening Keynote Speech</b> - <b>Bhim Singh</b> Department of Biotechnology, University of Mizoram, India. "Biosynthetic potential of endophytic fungi and their applications in health and industry"	
15:45 – 16:15	- <b>Mohamed El-Metwally</b> Botany and Microbiology Department, Faculty of Science, Damanhour University, Egypt.	Mycoviruses: more understanding for more applications.
16:15 – 16:30	- <b>Adel M. Ramadan</b> Microbiology Department, Faculty of Science, Ain Shams University, Egypt.	Biosynthesis of nanosilver using <i>Chaetomium globosum</i> and its application to control <i>Fusarium</i> wilt of tomato in the greenhouse.

*Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup>*

Symposium 3: Beneficial and Harmful Effects Session I		
Moderators: Prof. Samira R, Mansour, Prof. Andrea Bruder and Prof. Mohamed El-Metwally		
09:00 – 11:15 09:00-09:45 09:45-10:30 10:30-11:15	<b>Opening Keynote Speeches</b> - <b>Giovanna Cristina Varese</b> University of Turin, Italy. "Fungi in Bioremediation" - <b>Michael Weiß</b> Steinbeis Innovation Center, Germany. "Tear down those walls! Why ecological categorisation may prevent us from acknowledging the complexity of fungal-root symbioses" - <b>Zakria Baka</b> Damietta University, Egypt. "Ultrastructure of Rust Fungi"	
11:15 – 12:00	<i>Networking Coffee Break</i>	
Symposium 3: Beneficial and Harmful Effects Session II		
Moderators: Prof. Mohamed A. Omran, Prof. Mohamed Abdel-Razik and Prof. Mamdouh Serag		
12:00 - 12:20	- <b>Yasser Awad</b> Faculty of Agriculture, Suez Canal University, Egypt	Improving the soil-plant ecosystem function and productivity through the applications of biochar and beneficial microorganisms.
12:20 – 12:40	- <b>Amr Elkelish</b> Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt	Amelioration of abiotic stress tolerance in plants by endophytic microbiome.
12:40 – 13:00	- <b>Amira Darwish</b> Food Technology Department, SRTA- City, Alexandria, Egypt.	Fungal mycotoxins and natural antioxidants: Two sides of the same coin and significance in food safety.
13:00 – 13:15	- <b>Shahzad Khan</b> The University of Poonch Rawalakot, Pakistan	Immunotoxicopathological effect of experimental ochratoxigenesis on Broilers.

13:15- 13:30	- <b>Abbas Ammari</b> Diyala University, Baghdad, Iraq.	Molecular characterization of <i>Malassezia furfur</i> using ITS gene as a genetic marker in nuclear DNA.
13:30 – 13:45	- <b>Bassem A. Balbol</b> Microbiology Department, Faculty of Dentistry, October University for Modern Sciences and Arts, Egypt.	Production of L-Asparaginase enzyme from endophytic <i>Lasiodiplodia theobromae</i> hosted <i>Teucrium polium</i> .
13:45-14:00	- <b>Zeinab A. Sayed-Ahmed</b> Food Hygiene Research Unit, Animal Health Research Institute, Alexandria, Egypt.	Mycobiota and aflatoxins in some Egyptian dairy products.
14:00 – 15:00	<b>Lunch</b>	
<b>Symposium 4: Fungi and Climate Changes</b> <b>Session I</b> Moderators: Prof. Amal A. H. Saleh and A. Prof. Ahmed Abdel-Azeem		
15:00 – 15:20	- <b>Abdelghafar Abu Elsaoud</b> Botany Department, Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt.	Effect of climate change on plants and Fungi: A special impact on phenylpropanoid pathway.
15:20 - 15:35	- <b>Marica Lewis</b> Malta Mycological Association, Malta.	An Assessment of Macro Fungal Diversity on the Maltese Islands.
15:35 - 16:00	<b>Networking Coffee Break</b>	
<b>Symposium 5: Arab Society for Fungal Conservation (Students and Volunteers Section)</b> <b>Session I: Egyptian Fungi where and to where?</b> Moderators: A. Prof. Yasser Awad, Dr. Amr Elkelish and Dr. Amira Darwish		
16:00 - 16:15	- <b>Dalia S. Youssef</b> Arab Society for Fungal Conservation, Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt.	Mycotoxins and cancer: Awareness amongst children and youth.
16:15 - 16:30	- <b>Mohamed A. Abdel-Azeem</b> Faculty of Pharmacy, Sinai University, Egypt.	Endophytes-mines of pharmacological therapeutics.
16:30 - 16:45	- <b>Mahmoud M. El-Ansary</b> Botany Department, Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt.	Saving the forgotten kingdom in Egypt.
16:45 - 17:00	- <b>Mariam K. Moussa</b> Botany Department, Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt.	Why Egypt's national fungus day?
17:00 - 17:15	- <b>Fady S. Shawky</b> Botany Department, Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt.	How many species of lichens are there in Egypt?
17:15 - 17:30	- <b>Safaa A. Mansour</b> Botany Department, Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt.	Conserve the plant pathogenic fungus <i>Ganoderma</i> : An introduction to a business opportunity in Egypt.

*Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>*

<b>Fungi, Biotechnology and Cultural Heritage</b> <b>Session I</b> Moderators: Prof. Bhim P. Singh, Prof. Ishrak Khafagy and Prof. Mohamed A. Abdel-Rahman		
09:00 – 09:15	- Dalia M. Sabri Institute of Biotechnology for Postgraduate & Research, Suez Canal University, Egypt.	Biotechnology Institute in Suez Canal University where and to where?
09:15 – 09:30	- Ahmed M. Abdel-Azeem Botany Department, Faculty of Science, Suez Canal University, Egypt.	Fungi and the second ceremonial boat of the Pharaoh Cheops.
9:30 – 10:00	A movie dedicated by: <b>Dr. Jean Mouchacca</b> to ICM-MENA 2018 Natural History Museum, France.	RAMSES II Fungi – A film about examination of Ramses II mummy in France.
10:30 – 11:00	<i>Networking Coffee Break</i>	
Poster Session		
11:00 - 13:00	Assessment of Posters	
13:00 - 14:30	<i>Break</i>	
Conference's Workshop		
10:00 - 13:00	Workshop on Marine Fungi: the missing tile in the Ocean Biodiversity mosaic. By: Giovanna Cristina Varese	
14:30 – 15:15	<b>Closing Ceremony</b> Moderators: Prof. Ishrak Khafagy and Dr. Amr Elkelish Honors, Appreciation Certificates and Prizes Recommendations Moderator: A. Prof. Ahmed M. Abdel-Azeem	
15:15 – 15:30	Group Photo	
15:30	End of Conference	