

Newly Appointed NARS Leaders in the WANA Region

New NCARE Director General, Jordan



The National Center for Agricultural Research and Extension (NCARE) is having a new Director General, Dr. Faisal Awawdeh, effective August 2007. Prior to this, he served as Director General Assistant for Financial and Administration Affairs, Secretary-General Assistant for Livestock of the Ministry of Agriculture, and Animal Production Expert with AAAID in Sudan. Dr. Awawdeh received his Ph.D. from Washington State

University. He is a council member of several scientific, civil and professional societies, and has more than 30 scientific publications. Dr. Awawdeh envisions promoting primary role of NCARE as a platform for agricultural research and extension in the region.

New Dean of Faculty of Agriculture at the University of Jordan



Prof. Dr. Mohammed Yamani has joined as a new Dean of the Faculty of Agriculture at the University of Jordan. Dr. Yamani has worked as a University Professor for more than 20 years, basically, a Professor of food microbiology and hygiene.

A council member of several scientific and professional societies, and has more than 70 publications in refereed research periodicals. He received his B.Sc and M.Sc degree from Cairo University, and Ph.D. degree in Food Microbiology and Hygiene from Berlin Free University, Germany in 1982.

New INRA Director General, Morocco



Professor Mohamed Badraoui has been appointed as new Director General of the Agricultural Research Centre (INRA) in Morocco. Prior to this, he had been Director of Desertification and Environment Protection within the Moroccan High Commission for Water, Forests and Combating Desertification

since June 2005.

His professional career was successful in teaching, technical and scientific research and R&D. Dr. Badraoui received his Ph.D. degree from the University of Minnesota (USA), and has many scientific and technical publications.

New ARC President, Egypt



The Agricultural Research Centre (ARC) of Egypt is having a new President, Dr. Ayman Abou-Hadid. He received his B.Sc and M.Sc degrees in horticulture and Ph.D degree in vegetable crop in 1984.

Dr. Abou-Hadid awarded the FAO Silver Medal for distinguished contribution in the "On Farm Water Management", and World Food Day "Water For Life" in 1994. He participated in 15 international training programs and fellowships, and has more than 170 articles in refereed journals and international meetings.

New GCSAR Director General, Syria

Mohammed Walid Tawil, has been appointed as new Director General of the General Commission for Scientific Agricultural Research (GCSAR) in Syria. Dr. Tawil received his Ph.D. degree in Biological Sciences/ Wheat Genetic, and worked in the field of improving wheat by creating mutation, artificially, on wheat



Prior to this, he served as Director of Scientific Agricultural Research Directorate from 1994-2002, and Deputy Director General of the GCSAR for the period 2002-2008.

AARINENA congratulates all new appointed NARS Leaders in Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, and Syria, for their prestigious appointment to these positions, and looks forward to further collaboration to strengthen research partnership with NARS.