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**THE SECOND SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE
ON THE REHABILITATION OF
SOUTHERN IRAQI MARSHES**



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First Announcement
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Prelude

The second scientific conference on the rehabilitation of southern Iraqi marshes aims at assessing the efforts of the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the environment of Iraqi southern marshes since 2003- 2004 to give a perspective on the progress of the performed steps and assessing the capability of achieving the reconstruction of the environment of the marshes and its natural resources with the aim of planning for the future steps of the next period.

Objectives

1. Encouraging the studies and researches that are related to the assessment of the efforts planned for the reconstruction and future of the marshes.
2. Gathering researchers from different specializations to put a complete insight vision on the efforts of reconstruction.
3. Recommendation on the future vision of the reconstruction programmes.

Themes

A: Environment

1. Biodiversity:

- Status of rehabilitation of biodiversity of aquatic plants, algae and phytoplankton.
 - Microbiology, zooplankton, benthos, and vertebrates.
 - Changes in Biodiversity: the status of the endangered species and the invasive species
- #### 2. Environmental properties:
- Rehabilitation properties of soil and water.
 - Pollution and environment health.

B: Hydrology & Sedimentology:

- Hydrological properties of the waters of the marshes and water balance.
- Mineralogical and sedimentological aspects of the sediments.

C: Living resources:

- Maintaining the vegetation cover.

- Sustainable development of agriculture (plants & animals)
- Managing and protecting living and nonliving resources.

D: Human Population & Geography:

- Community immigration & rehabilitation effects.
- Population changes.
- Weather changes and desertification.
- Culture, education & rehabilitation effects.

E: Public Health:

- Zoonotic status.
- Health reality after rehabilitation.
- Endemic diseases.
- Health culture in developing marshes.
- Avian flue hazard.
- Using poisons in fishing.

F: Economics:

- Investment development.
- Tourism development.
- Industry development.

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Participation and Audience

The conference will gather scientists in the field of environment, educations, specialists in reconstruction and representative of governmental organizations in addition to local and international organizations and university students.

- The conference will carry out the residence fees of the participated researcher.

Papers Submission

The conference encourages scientists to submit high quality scientific papers either as oral or poster presentations. Abstracts are in both Arabic and English.

Important Dates

Abstract submission: 15 Jan. 2007
Full Paper Submission: 15 Feb. 2007

Abstracts

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