

Alireza Amrikazemi

5 Feb. 1970, Iran

Email: aamrikazemi@gmail.com

Mobile: +989122158538 (WhatsApp & Telegram)

Instagram: alireza.amrikazemi

Facebook: Alireza Amrikazemi

Skype: alireza.amrikazemi



Education:

- ♦ Ph.D. in Geology and Geoparks Development
University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro, Portugal. ongoing
- ♦ Master of Science - Geography and Regional Tourism Planning
University of Tehran, Tehran, Iran
www.ut.ac.ir
- ♦ Bachelor of Science - Geology
Shahid Beheshti University, Tehran, Iran
www.sbu.ac.ir

Careers and Positions:

- ♦ **National**
 - Chair, Iranian Global Geoparks Network
 - Scientific Coordinator, Qeshm Island UNESCO Global Geopark (since 2023)
 - Director, Qeshm Island UNESCO Global Geopark (2016-2023)
 - Chair, National Iranian Geoparks Network (NIGN) (since 2018)
 - Head, Geoheritage and Geopark Department, Geological Survey of Iran (2001-2016)
 - Vice-Chairperson, IGGP Committee, National Commission for UNESCO
 - Senior Advisor, Aras Aspiring UNESCO Global Geopark (since 2017)
 - Senior Advisor, Tabas Aspiring UNESCO Global Geopark (since 2018)
 - Member, Scientific Committee of the Lut Desert World Heritage Site
- ♦ **International**
 - Member, UNESCO Global Geoparks Council (2016-2018 and 2022-2026)
 - Senior Evaluator for UNESCO Global Geoparks
 - Member of APGN Advisory Committee (Since 2016)
 - Member of GGN Advisory Committee (Since 2016)
 - Member of the International Advisory Board for the Australian Geopark Network
 - Reviewer, Geoheritage Journal (Springer)
 - Member of the Editorial Board, Geoconservation Journal

Work Highlights:

- ♦ Pioneer of Geoheritage and Geopark Studies in Iran and the Middle East (since 2000)
- ♦ Founder and Project Manager of 3 UNESCO Global Geoparks in Iran (Qeshm Island, Aras & Tabas)
- ♦ Author and presenter of two successful applications for the IUGS 100 Geoheritage Sites of Iran, Zumaia, Spain, 2022

- ♦ Scientific Chair of 4 national and 2 international geoheritage and geoparks conferences, geological survey of Iran, Qeshm Island UGGp (2010-2017)
- ♦ Senior Advisor and project manager in 3 ongoing geoparks projects in Iran (Maku, Yazd, Sabzevar)

Books:

- ♦ ***Geotourism Atlas of Qeshm Island***, Geological Survey of Iran & National Geosciences Database of Iran, 2004
- ♦ Co-Author: ***Geotourism***, Ross Dowling & David Newsome, Elsevier Publication, 2006
- ♦ ***Atlas of Geopark and Geotourism Resources of Iran***, Geological Survey of Iran, 2010 (selected as the "book of the year 2010" by the Geological Society of Iran)
- ♦ ***Geoheritage Atlas of Iran***, Geological Survey of Iran, 2012
- ♦ Co-author: ***Volcanic Tourist Destinations***, Patricia Erfurt, Springer Publications, Australia, 2014
- ♦ ***UNESCO Global Geoparks and Iran's Outlook***, Geological Survey of Iran, 2017
- ♦ ***Geoconservation with emphasis on Iran***, Geological Survey of Iran, 2021
- ♦ Co-author: ***Geotourism of Middle East***, Springer, 2023
- ♦ Several books on geotourism and geopark in **Persian**

Courses:

- ♦ IOC-ICSU-IAEA-EU (UNESCO) Training Course on Marine Geological and Geophysical Data Management, Gelendzhik, Russia, 1997
- ♦ Intensive Course on Geodiversity and Geological Heritage Assessment, University of Minho, Portugal, 2009
- ♦ Intensive Course on Geopark Management, University of Aegean, Lesvos, Greece, 2011

Expeditions:

- ♦ UNESCO Evaluation Mission, Yangantao Aspiring Geopark, **Russia (2018)**
- ♦ UNESCO Revalidation Mission, Donhuang UGGp, **China (2019)**
- ♦ Networking Mission, Kula-Salihli Geopark, **Turkey (2019)**
- ♦ Lecturer, International Workshop on Capacity Building for UNESCO Global Geoparks, Khorat Aspiring Geopark, **Thailand (2018)**
- ♦ Lecturer, International Conference and Workshop on UNESCO Global Geopark, Caobang UGGp, **Vietnam (2019)**
- ♦ Keynote Speaker in the seminar: Capacity Building in Central Asia, Tashkent, **Uzbekistan (2021)**
- ♦ Evaluation Mission, Ida Madra, **Turkey (2022)**
- ♦ UNESCO Evaluation Mission, Merangin Jambi, **Indonesia (2022)**
- ♦ UNESCO Evaluation Mission, Raja Ampat, **Indonesia (2022)**
- ♦ Lecturer, Regional Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks, Langkawi, **Malaysia (2022)**
- ♦ Keynote Speaker, Round Table: UNESCO Global Geoparks, Opportunities & Potential in the Kyrgyz Republic, Tashkent, **Kyrgyzstan (2023)**
- ♦ Keynote Speaker, International Workshop on Geopark Management, Zonguldak, **Turkey (2023)**
- ♦ UNESCO Revalidation Mission, Muskau Arc UGGp, **Germany & Poland (2023)**
- ♦ UNESCO Evaluation Mission, Mount Changbaishan AUGGp, **China (2023)**
- ♦ UNESCO Evaluation Mission, Undoria UGGp, **Russia (2023)**
- ♦ UNESCO Revalidation Mission, Huangshan UGGp, **China (2024)**
- ♦ UNESCO Revalidation Mission, Leiqiong UGGp, **China (2024)**
- ♦ Lecturer, International Training Course in UNESCO Global Geoparks, Lesvos, **Greece (2024)**

- ◆ Keynote Speaker, UNESCO Global Geoparks Capacity Building Workshop, New Delhi, **India (2024)**
- ◆ Lecturer, The 8th International Training Course on UNESCO Global Geoparks, Xiangxi, **China (2024)**
- ◆ Lecturer, International Geoforum on UNESCO Geoparks for Sustainable Development and Cooperation, Almaty, **Kazakhstan (2024)**

Conference Presentations:

- ◆ The 10th International Ecotourism Conference, Cairns, **Australia, 2002**
- ◆ The 32nd International Geological Congress **2004**, Florence, **Italy**
- ◆ GEOTOUR**2005** conference, Krakow, **Poland**
- ◆ The 1st Regional Conference on Asia Pacific Geoparks, Langkawi, **Malaysia, 2007**
- ◆ The 3rd International UNESCO conference on Geoparks, Osnabruck, **Germany, 2008**
- ◆ The first Global Geotourism Conference, Fremantle, **Australia, 2008**
- ◆ The 4th International UNESCO conference on Geoparks, Langkawi, **Malaysia, 2010**
- ◆ The 3rd Global Geotourism Conference, Muscat, **Oman, 2011**
- ◆ The 5th International UNESCO Conference on Geoparks, Shimabara, **Japan, 2012**
- ◆ The 35th International Geological Congress, Brisbane, **Australia, 2012**
- ◆ The 13th European Geoparks Conference, Oulu, **Finland, 2015**
- ◆ The VIII International ProGEO Symposium, Reykjavik, **Iceland, 2015**
- ◆ The 14th European Geoparks Conference, Azores, **Portugal, 2017**
- ◆ The 5th Asia pacific Geoparks Network Symposium, Zhijindong, **China, 2017**
- ◆ The 8th International Conference on UNESCO Global Geoparks, Adamello Brenta, **Italy, 2018**
- ◆ The 6th Asia Pacific Geoparks Network Symposium, Rinjani-Lombok, **Indonesia, 2019**
- ◆ The 7th APGN Symposium, Satun, **Thailand, 2022** (member of the scientific committee)
- ◆ The 16th European Geoparks Conference, Verbania, **Italy, 2022** (member of scientific committee)
- ◆ The 10th International Conference on UNESCO Global Geoparks, Marrakesh, **Morocco, 2023**
- ◆ The 8th APGN Symposium, Caobang, **Vietnam, 2024** (member of the scientific committee)