# CURRICULUM VITAE MOHAMAD I. AL-WIDYAN

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#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Mech. Power & Machinery Engineering
College of Engineering
University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida (USA)
Ph.D. Dissertation: Formation Mechanics and Combustion Characteristics of Elephantgrass and Energycane Wafers (Bioenergy)

M.S., Mech. Power & Machinery EngineeringCollege of EngineeringKansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas (USA)

Master's Report: AUS-DOE-funded project on "Biodiesel in CI Engines." Master's Report: Oxides of Nitrogen  $(NO_x)$  Emission from Diesel Engines

B.S. Mechanical Engineering- ThermalFaculty of EngineeringYarmouk University, Irbid, Jordan

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

Director of Academic Development and QA Center Professor of ME Jordan University of Science and Technology (JUST)	09/2014-09/206
Member, Board of Trustees College of the Royal Jordanian Geographic Center	02/2016-present
Member of JUST Study Plan Committee JUST, Irbid, Jordan	09/2014-09/2016
Member of JUST Admin. Development Committee JUST, Irbid Jordan	09/2014-09/2016
Member of ISO 9001:2008 Steering Committee JUST, Irbid Jordan	09/2014-09/2016
Member of JUST Newsletter Editorial Board JUST, Irbid, Jordan	09/2014-09/2016

Member of JUST Central Admin. Quality Committee JUST, Irbid, Jordan	10/2015-09/2016
Member of JUST Central Academic Quality Committee JUST, Irbid, Jordan	10/2015-09/2016
Coordinator, JUST Scientific Centers' Quality Committee JUST, Irbid, Jordan	01/2016-09/2016
Member of JUST Sustainability Committee JUST, Irbid, Jordan	12/2015-09/2016
Member of the Evaluation Panel Erasmus Mundus/PEACE II	09/2015-present
ABET Committee Coordinator Mech. Engr. Dept., JUST	09/2014-present
Member of KFU Strategic Plan 2016-2020 Committee King Faisal Univ. (KFU), Saudi Arabia	03/2014-09/2014
Dept Coordinator and Program Chair Mech. Engg. Dept. King Faisal University, Saudi Arabia	09/2011-09/2013
Chair of the Vision and Mission Standard, and Chair of the Community Relationships Standard KFU Institutional Accreditation Project (NCAAA)	09/2010-09/2014
Chair of Quality, Curriculum, Publications, and Other Committees College of Engineering, KFU, Saud Arabia	2009-2014
Member of the National Technical Committee Faculty-for-Factory Program	2008/2009
Member of the National Coord'n. and Follow-up Committee, and The General Coordinator of the Program at JUST Faculty-for-Factory Program	2007/2008
Deputy Director, and Director of Linking with Industry Department Director of Continuing Education Department Consultative Center for Science and Technology, JUST	09/05 - 09/07
<u>Department Head</u> Biosystems Engineering Dept Faculty of Engineering JUST, Irbid 22110, Jordan	09/01 – 09/03
Professor, Mech. Engg. Dept., JUST, Jordan	05/2014

Associate Professor ( <i>On</i> Sabbatical and Unpaid Leave) Mech. Engg. Dept., KFU, Saudi Arabia	09/2008-09/2014
Assistant/Associate Professor BSE/Mech. Engg. Dept., JUST, Jordan	09/97 - 09/2008
Jordan Military: Maintenance Engineer	1987-1989
<u>Teaching Assistant</u> : Mech. Engrg. Dept. Amman Polytechnic (Community College)	1985-1987

#### **AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

- 1. The Jordan Ministry of Education Scholarship for the B.S. Degree, Yarmouk University, 1980-1984.
- 2. Jordan University of Science and Technology Scholarship for Grad Study, 1991-95.
- 3. Kansas State University RA Scholarship, 1991-1993.
- 4. The University of Florida RA Scholarship, 1993-1997.
- 5. USAID TATWEER Certificate of Appreciation for the Valuable Contribution to the Faculty-for-Factory National Program, Amman, 2007.
- 6. SAUDI ENGINEERS COUNCIL Certificate of Appreciation for Distinction in Engineering Professional Contribution. Al-Ahsa, July, 2013, KSA.
- 7. BEST TRANSLATED BOOK AWARD (Year 2014) Philadelphia University National Award (Jordan)

### SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

- The Irrigation Management and Saline Conditions: Regional Symposium on Salinity and Irrigation-JUST, Jordan, June 1999.
- The 6th International Symposium on Fruit, Nut, and Vegetable Production Engineering- Potsdam, Germany, Sept., 2001.
- The **IASTED Conference** Renewable Energy and Power Systems Crete, Greece, Summer, 2002.
- Attended a Workshop on **Renewable Energy Technology and Energy Efficiency** funded by the **US Department of State**, **AUB**, **Beirut**, **Lebanon**, April, 2004.

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- Group Leaders Workshop on **Renewable Energy Technology and Energy Efficiency** funded by the US Department of State, **AUB, Beirut, Lebanon**, Jan. 24-25, 2005 (*Attended as leader of Group III*).
- The **IASTED Conference** Renewable Energy and Power Systems Krabi, Thailand, April 2005.
- Attended a training Workshop on **Small-Scale Biogas and Geothermal Technology**. The Biogas Research and Training Center, **BRTC**, **Chengdu**, **SI Chuan Province**, **China**, November, 2005.
- **Invited Speaker** at the NATO-Funded Advanced Workshop "Enhancing Security in the Middle East by Cooperation in *Renewable Energy*." London School of Economics, London, UK. Jan. 16-18, 2008.
- Many energy- and academic quality-related workshops and events. Saudi Arabia, 2010-2014.
- 5<sup>th</sup> QS-MAPLE Conference on World University Rankings, May 5-7, 2015, Doha, Qatar.
- The HEAC, British Council, and UK QAA-Organized 5-day Workshop on Preparing Nationally Certified Academic Reviewers. March 2015, Amman, Jordan
- Attended the Entrepreneurial University Seminar. Sept., 2015, British Council, Amman, Jordan.

#### WORKSHOPS

#### Attended Workshops - Selected

- Attended JICA Workshop on Jordanian Industry and Education Sector-University of Jordan, Amman, Sep., 2005.
- Appointed by JUST president as member of the "Master's Program Committee in Energy Technology." Mech. Engineering Dept., JUST, Sep., 2005-present.
- Attended a workshop on "Modern University Instructional Methods-Electronic Learning." The Academic Development Center, Jordan Univ. of Science and Technology. November 4 -5, 2007.
- Attended a Workshop on *Strategic Planning in Academic Institutions*. April 18-20, 2009. Al-Hasa Intercontinental, Al-Hofuf, Eastern Province, KSA.
- Attended a Workshop on *Development of Skills for Academic Leaders:* Strategic Planning, Academic Accreditation, and Management of Change. May 9-13, 2009. Al-Hasa Intercontinental, Al-Hofuf, Eastern Province, KSA.

#### **Delivered Workshops**

- Conducted a training workshop on Energy Efficiency and Audit, The JUMP Program, Taleb Al-Deeb Furniture Company, Summer, 2005, Irbid Jordan.
- Conducted a training workshop on *Training Needs Assessment and Planning*.
   Consultative Center for Science and Technology, JUST, and Irbid Chamber of Commerce, Irbid, Jordan. March, 2006.
- Conducted a Workshop on *Training of Trainers*. January 13-18, 2007. Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- Conducted a Workshop on *Training of Trainers* for Abu Dhabi Air Force Staff, Abu Dhabi, March 13-18, 2007. Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- Conducted a Workshop on *Maintenance Management* for Abu Dhabi Air Force Staff. June 9-13, 2007. Abu Dhabi, UAE.
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Heat Exchangers: Operation, Maintenance, and Troubleshooting*. April 25-28, 2009. SABIC HQ, Riyadh, KSA.
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on Heat Exchangers: Operation, Maintenance, and Troubleshooting. July 04-07, 2009. SABIC HQ, Riyadh, KSA.
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Heat Exchangers: Operation, Maintenance, and Troubleshooting*. Jan., 2010. SABIC HQ, Riyadh, KSA.
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Boilers: Operation*, *Maintenance, and Troubleshooting*. Jun., 2010. SABIC HQ, Riyadh, KSA.
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Hydraulic and Pneumatic Systems: Operation, Maintenance, and Troubleshooting*. Dec. 10-14, 2011. SABIC, Al-Khubar (Holiday Inn), KSA.
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Heat Exchangers: Operation, Maintenance, and Troubleshooting*. April 01-03, 2012. Oman-India Petrochemical Co., Sur, Oman
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Rotating Equipment: Pumps and Compressors: Operation, Maintenance, and Troubleshooting*. SABIC, May 27-30, 2012, Al-Khubar (Holiday Inn), KSA.
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Process Plant: Startup, Commissioning and Troubleshooting*. SABIC, Nov. 24-28, 2012, Al-Khubar (Holiday Inn), KSA.
- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Mechanical Integrity and Safety*. Dubai, UAE, Oct. 22-24, 2013, Dubai Elect. and Water Authority.

- Conducted a Workshop (Training Course) on *Machinery Vibration & Condition Monitoring* (ADNOC). Abu Dhabi, UAE, Jan. 12-16, 2014.
- Conducted a Workshop on ABET Accreditation. Organized by HEAC on the PSUT Campus, May 31<sup>st</sup> 2015, Amman. Deans and Dean Assistants in Jordanian Universities.

## **ACTIVITIES Research Grants**

- The team member of <u>Phase I</u> (US\$ 100, 000.00) of the National Biogas UNDP-funded Project-The JUST Component, Jan., 2004 to Jan. 2006. (*The team consisted of the Coordinator and one member only*).
- The team member of <u>Phase II</u> (US\$ 100, 000.00) of the National Biogas UNDP-funded Project-The JUST Component, Dec., 2006 to Dec., 2008. (*The team consists of the Coordinator and one member only*).
- A € 25, 000.00 DAAD (The German Agency for International Academic Cooperation) -funded Technical Collaboration with and Visit to the Companies and Labs of Renewable (*Geothermal*) Energy (Prof. Markus Brautch) at the University of Applied Sciences at Amberg, Germany, September 2004 (part of an agreement
- The PI of work for improving the mechanical design of long vehicles chassis for a small size local enterprise. A study funded by *The Jordan Higher Council for Science and Technology* (**JD 5,000.00** = **US\$7500.00**) completed- .
- The PI of work for exploring heat recovery from combined *geothermal* and olive cake composting in a closed fermenter under controlled conditions. A study funded by *Tatweer* (JD 3,500.00 = \$5000.00). *Tatweer* is a USAID-funded project aimed at developing Jordanian small- and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) completed-.
- The PI of a proposal submitted to **Tatweer** for designing and installing a heat exchanger for a local plastic co. (SME) and utilizing *geothermal* energy for cooling. The proposal was approved. Fund: JD 4,000.00 = \$6000.00 completed-.
- The PI and coordinator of a 6-million SAR (>1.5 million USD) grant to Saudi ARAMCO on energy conservation and efficiency. Pending approval.
- The PI (4 projects) and Co-PI (1 project) of 5 research projects funded by KFU (Saudi) Deanship of Research for a **total of about \$50,000.00.**

#### **Professional Activities and Consultations**

- Member of the JUST Energy Center delegate in the visit to the Swedish Institute of Technology (KTH), Stockholm, Sweden, Feb. 4 to Feb. 10, 2006. Part of the EU TEMPUS-funded project.
- Member of the National Coordination and Follow-up Committee of the Facultyfor-Factory program in its 5<sup>th</sup> cycle.
- The **General Coordinator** of the **Faculty-for-Factory** program at JUST.

- The co-author of a funded project from the Jordan Higher Council of Science and Technology for designing and installing a combined system of a ground well, a partially buried olive cake covered tank, and an olive cake compost pile embedded with a heat exchanger for the production of hot water for olive mill use completed-.
- Member of the <u>National Technical Committee</u> for evaluating the proposals submitted to the 6<sup>th</sup> (2008) Cycle of the FFF National Program (June, 2008-present).
- Translated two books on *energy efficiency and audit*, respectively.
- Invited scholar to an EU-funded training program on "*Renewable and Geothermal Energy Management*," Lisbon, Portugal. April, 2017.

#### **PUBLICATIONS - Selected**

- 1. Abu-Qudais and **M.I. Al-Widyan**. 2002. Performance and emissions characteristics of a diesel engine operating on shale oil. *Energy Conversion and Management*, V 43: 673-682.
- 2. **Al-Widyan, M.I.** and Al-Jalil, H.F. 2002. Stress-density relationship and energy requirement of compressed olive cake. *Applied Engineering in Agriculture*, V 17(6): 749-753.
- 3. **Al-Widyan, M.I.**, G. Tashtoush, and M. Abu-Qudais. 2002. Utilization of ethyl ester of waste vegetable oils as fuel in Diesel engines. *Fuel Processing Technology*, V 76: 91-103.
- 4. **Al-Widyan, M.I.**, G. Tashtoush, and A.I. Khdair. 2002. Briquettes of olive cake as a potential source of thermal energy. *Journal of Solid Waste Technology and Management*, 28(2): 51-59.
- 5. **Al-Widyan, M.I.**, H.F. Al-Jalil, M. Abu-Zreig, and N.H. Abu-Hamdeh. 2002. Physical durability and stability of olive cake briquettes. *Journal of the Canadian Biosystems Engineers*, V. 44: 3.41-3.45.
- 6. **Al-Widyan, M.I.** and A.O. Al-Shyoukh. 2002. Experimental evaluation of the transesterification of waste palm oil into biodiesel. *Bioresource Technology*, V 85: 253-256.
- 7. Tashtoush, G. and **Al-Widyan**, **M.I.** 2003. Combustion performance and emissions of ethyl ester of a waste vegetable oil in a water-cooled furnace. *Applied Thermal Engineering*, V23(3): 285-293.
- 8. Tashtoush, G., **M. I. Al-Widyan**, and M. Al-Jarrah. 2004. Experimental study on evaluation and optimization of conversion of waste animal fat into biodiesel. *Energy Conversion and Management*, V45:697-2711.
- 9. Abdalla, F., M. **Al-Widyan,** et al. 2004. Status of Jordan Energy Sector: Problems, Needs and Challenges. A paper presented at the *Workshop on Renewable Energy Technology and Energy Efficiency* funded by the US Department of State, AUB, Beirut, Lebanon, April, 2004.

- 10. **Al-Widyan, M.I.**, S. Amourah, L. Hilles, R. Malkawi, and A. Abu-Al Ragheb. 2007. Design and testing of a small-scale solar crop dryer. *Agricultural Mechanization in Asia, Africa and Latin America* (AMA), Japan. Vol. 38(4): 9-12.
- 11. **Al-Widyan, M.I.**, G. Tashtoush, and A.M. Hamasha. 2006. Combustion and Emissions of Pulverized Olive Cake in a Tube Furnace. *Energy Conversion and Management*, V 47(11&12):1588-1590.
- 12. Al-Jalil, H. J. Amayreh and **M.I. Al-Widyan**. 2007. Feasibility of collecting ambient air moisture by forced condensation. *Agricultural Mechanization in Asia, Africa and Latin America (AMA), Japan*. Vol. 38 (1): 51-54.
- 13. Tashtoush, G., **M.I. Al-Widyan**, and A. Albatayneh. 2007. Factorial analysis of diesel engine performance using different types of biofuels. *Journal of Environmental Management*, V 84 (4): 401-411.
- 14. Al-Mahasneh Majdi, **Al-Widyan, M.**, Ababneh, H., Rababah, T., and Eriefej, K. 2008. Grain dust as an energy and food resource. *Natural Resources Research*, V17 (1): 13-20.
- 15. **Al-Widyan, M.**, Al-Mahasneh, M., Ababneh, H. 2008. Heat recovery opportunities from a grain dust composting pile. *Journal of Solid Waste Technology and Management*, V34(3): 140-148.
- 16. **Al-Widyan, M.**, and Al-Muhtaseb, M. 2010. Experimental investigation of Jojoba as a renewable energy source. *Energy Conversion and Management*, 51: 1702–1707.
- 17. Abu-Ashour, J., Abu Qdais, H., and **Al-Widyan, M.I.** 2010. Estimation of animal and olive solid wastes in Jordan and their potential as a supplementary energy source: An overview. *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews* 14: 2227–2231.
- 18. **Al-Widyan, M.I.**, Oweis, R., Abu-Qdais, H., Al-Muhtaseb, M., and Hamasha, S. 2010. Composition and energy content of dental solid waste. *Resources, Conservation and Recycling*, 55: 155–160.
- 19. **Al-Widyan, M.I.** and F. AL-Oqla. 2011. Utilization of supplementary energy sources for cooling in hot arid regions via decision-making model. *International Journal of Engineering Research and Applications* (IJERA), 1(4): 1610-1622.
- 20. **Al-Widyan, M.I.,** and F. AL-Oqla. 2013. Selecting the most appropriate corrective actions for energy saving in existing building A/C in hot arid regions. *Building Simulation: An International Journal*, Vol. 7: 537-545.
- 21. Abu Qdais, H. and **M.I. Al-Widyan**. 2015. Anaerobic digestion of low- and high-solids food waste under mesophilic conditions. *Submitted*.

#### **BOOK CHAPTERS**

- 1. Mason, Michael, Al-Muhtaseb, Mu'taz and **Al-Widyan, M.I.** 2009. The energy sector in Jordan current trends and the potential for renewable energy. *In*: Michael, M. and Amit, M. (eds.) Renewable Energy in the Middle East. **Springer Netherlands**, Dordrecht, Netherlands, ISBN 9781402098901. Pages 41-54.
- 2. **Al-Widyan, M.I.**, and Al-Muhtaseb, M. 2009. Institutional Aspects of a Regional Energy System. *In*: Mason, Michael and Mor, Amit, (eds.) Renewable Energy in the Middle East. **Springer Netherlands**, Dordrecht, Netherlands, ISBN 9781402098901. Pages 177-195.

## TRANSLATED BOOKS (from English to Arabic)

- John Krigger, and Chris Dorsi. <u>The Homeowner's Handbook to Energy Efficiency: A</u> <u>Guide to Big and Small Improvements</u>. Saturn Resource Management, Inc. Helena MT 59601, USA.
  - A KACST-funded project for translating the book from English to Arabic (completed: 416 p).
- 2. Albert Thuman, Terry Niehus, and W. Younger. <u>Handbook of Energy Audits</u>, 9<sup>th</sup> Ed., 2013. Fairmont Press/CRC, Georgia, USA. *A KFU-funded project for translating the book from English to Arabic (completed; under review: ~ 500 p).*

#### MASTER'S AND Ph.D. THESES SUPERVISED

- 1. "Enhancement of thermal performance of fins subjected to natural convection through body perforations"- <u>Local Co-supervisor</u>.
- Ph.D. Dissertation Mechanical Engineering Dept.- Baghdad University, 2000.
- 2. "Experimental evaluation of the conversion and utilization of waste animal fats as biodiesel"

Master's Thesis – Mechanical Engineering Dept.- JUST, 2002.

3. "Experimental study of combustion characteristics of pulverized olive cake in a drop-tube furnace"

Master's Thesis – Mechanical Engineering Dept.- JUST, 2002.

- 4. "Stabilization of soils using biological converged olive mill by-product" Master's Thesis Civil Engineering Dept.- JUST, 2002.
- 5. "Design and building of a small-scale biodiesel plant under optimum conditions" Master's Thesis Mechanical Engineering Dept.- JUST, 2003/2004.

## **COURSES TAUGHT: Selected**

Jordan Univ of Sci & Tech. (BS)
Thermo and Heat Labs
Internal Combustion Engines and Labs
Waste-to-Energy Processes

#### **Graduate MS courses**

Energy Efficiency Intermediate Heat Transfer Renewable Energy Systems Energy Conversion Technology

#### King Faisal University(BS)

Thermodynamics I and II Heat Transfer HVAC Energy Conversion Renewable and Solar Energy

## **AFFILIATIONS** (Currently Active)

- Jordan Engineers Association/ME Section (Amman-Jordan).
- American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), USA.
- Association of Energy Engineers (AEE), Atlanta, GA, USA.

REFERENCES:	Available upon request.	