

Mr Alireza Amrikazemi (Iran)

Mr Amrikazemi has significant experience in Geoparks in the western, central, and southern parts of Asia. His professional expertise extends over 20 years, in geotourism, geoheritage, and geoparks which he sees as vectors to promote social and political stability.

Within Iran, Mr Amrikazemi is Head of the Geoheritage Department at the Geological Survey of Iran and has been the Director of Qeshm Island UNESCO Global Geopark since 2016. He has been a member of the Asia-Pacific Geoparks Network Advisory Committee and has been instrumental in the promotion of the UNESCO Global Geopark concept in the country and the wider region and his efforts and expertise strongly contributed to build capacity in the region. His first book, 'Geotourism Atlas of Qeshm Island', proposing the establishment of a geopark in Iran was published in 2004, the first of its kind at the time.

On a global scale, Mr Amrikazemi is a reviewer for Geoheritage Journal and Geoconservation Journal. Furthermore, he has participated and presented in many events related to geoparks including conferences, workshops, and seminars since 2004. He had an active participation in delivering speeches, lectures, and attending discussions.

