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**Q**atar **U**niversity **L**ife **S**ciences **S**ymposium

**Ecofriendly sustainable solutions for a green desert environment**

**15-16th Nov 2023**

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**Subject:** Poster Abstract Submission

Dear Colleague

The Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences (DBES) prides itself on hosting a highly diverse faculty and staff, engaging in extensive research activities, fostering collaborations with institutions on national and international scales, and offering a wide array of undergraduate and graduate programs. These distinguishing factors make our department an exceptional and sought-after destination for prospective students and faculty members.

Our undergraduate programs consist of two options: the BSc in Biological Sciences and the BSc in Environmental Science. The Biological Sciences program is currently exclusively available to female students and offers a comprehensive curriculum covering 120 credit hours (CH). On the other hand, the Environmental Science program provides two concentrations: Marine Science (125 CH) and Biotechnology (126 CH). Both concentrations are accredited by CHESS.

At the graduate level, the DBES offers Master's and Doctorate of Philosophy programs. The MSc in Environmental Science is a two-year program, accredited by CHESS, available on a full-time or part-time basis. The Ph.D. in Biological and Environmental Sciences is a full-time program offering four concentrations: Cell & Molecular Biology, Environmental Science, Ecosystem & Marine Science, and Biotechnology. These programs are designed to attract ambitious and passionate students who aspire to become leaders in their respective scientific fields and contribute significantly to Qatar and Qatar University.

In 2007, we launched the Qatar Life Science Symposium (QULSS) with the objective of convening experts and researchers from esteemed universities, industries, and local partners in various fields and disciplines. QULSS focuses on environmentally relevant topics of national, regional, and international significance. Over the years, the Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences has fostered collaborations among researchers from national, regional, and international institutions. These partnerships have facilitated groundbreaking advancements in biological and environmental sciences, with contributions from academia, public organizations, private entities, industries, and government sectors in Qatar. The interdisciplinary nature of these collaborations has resulted in remarkable progress during the first decade of QULSS.

Overall, the DBES continually seeks bright, enthusiastic, and hardworking students who aspire to be pioneers and leaders in the scientific community. By joining our department, students can contribute to their respective scientific fields, make a positive impact in Qatar, and enrich the scientific community as a whole.

## Submitting your Abstract

QULSS 2023 is pleased to invite the submission of abstracts for POSTER presentations that showcase original contributions to the field within the following scientific themes:

* Advanced technologies for optimal water resource use
* Desert soil restoration and enrichment
* Rehabilitation of Qatari vegetation for a sustainable environment
* Halophytes microbiomes for modern agriculture

The deadline for abstract submissions is **29th October 2023.**

Notification of acceptance will be sent to all submitting authors by **5th November 2023.**

**QULSS website:** [**https://qulss2023.com/**](https://qulss2023.com/)

**Submission link:** [**https://qulss2023.com/poster-upload-center/**](https://qulss2023.com/poster-upload-center/)

### General Poster Abstract Information

1. Kindly submit your poster abstract through the QULSS website.
2. We are currently working on publishing the accepted poster abstracts online with DOI numbers on Mannar (<https://www.qnl.qa/en/manara-repository/about>).
3. Please ensure that all email addresses for both primary and co-authors are accurate.
4. As poster space is limited, we encourage you to submit your abstract early.
5. Font: Please use a Times New Roman 12pt justified font with single spacing for the text.
6. Main Title: The title should be in bold, centered, and written in a 14pt font size. Leave two lines after the title.
7. Authors: List authors' last names followed by their first names and the initial of their middle names (if applicable), without titles.
8. Affiliations: Provide the affiliation after each author's name. The email address of the First Author is mandatory.
9. Main text: The abstract should follow the structure of Introduction/Purpose, Methods, Results, Discussion, and Conclusion. It should be limited to one page, approximately 400 words.
10. References: The number of references should not exceed five (5) and should adhere to standard referencing style.

We look forward to welcoming you to Qatar University!

Best regards,

On behalf of the organizing committee