



The 2nd International Conference on Recycling and Reuse, held on June 4–6, 2014, in Istanbul, Turkey

Editorial

This special issue of the *Desalination and Water Treatment* Journal is dedicated to the 2nd International Conference on Recycling and Reuse, held on 4–6 June 2014 in Istanbul, Turkey. This international conference was jointly organized by Boğaziçi University, Environmental Sciences Institute and Istanbul University, Environmental Engineering Department, Turkey. The purpose of the conference was to provide an excellent platform for researchers and practitioners to exchange emerging ideas and investigate key issues such as:

- recycling and reuse concerns
- advanced wastewater treatment
- membrane technologies for recycling and reuse
- advanced oxidation technologies
- waste reduction
- water and wastewater management
- solid waste treatment and management
- hazardous waste management
- resource use
- renewable energy technologies
- current and future recycling markets
- public health issues
- legislations and policies of recycling and reuse

At the conference, a total of 90 oral and 155 posters presentations were included in the program. Eight key speakers enlightened the program with their utmost contributions in their fields of expertise. A total number of 26 papers have been selected after an essential peer review process to be published in this special issue, specifically named “Sustainable Technologies for Recycling and Reuse” that includes a wide spectrum of scientific contributions performed in various countries. The authors and guest editors expect that this issue should provide an overview of recent works done in “Recycling and Reuse” field and fulfill scientific gaps to provide important contribution to science and technology as well as to the practitioners.

The guest editors would like to thank all colleagues for their valuable contributions to this special issue and express their appreciation to Prof. Miriam Balaban, Editor-in-Chief and to Prof. Dr Miray Bekbolet, co-chair of the conference for providing this opportunity.

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She holds BSc degrees in environmental engineering from Istanbul Technical University (ITU), Turkey and MSc (1990) and PhD (1997) from ITU Institute of Sciences. She collaborated with the Sanitary and Environmental Engineering Division of University of Salerno (Italy) from 2004 to 2010 and Naples University Federico II, Biology Department, Ecotoxicology Research Laboratory from 2007 to 2010. She was a visiting scientist in Italy from 1998 to 2000 at the National Cancer Research Institute. She was awarded fellowship from the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 1999 to 2000 at the University of Naples Federico II. She had worked as research assistant and assistant professor at ITU from 1988 to 2004. She has developed a long-lasting expertise in advanced (waste)water treatment technologies, recycling and reuse, alternative water sources, and impact assessment. She has coordinated or collaborated with many international and national projects, supervised a number of graduate theses in Turkish, Italian, and English. She was enrolled as an expert to evaluate national and international projects and professorship candidates. She has been an invited speaker or chairperson, and enrolled in organizing and scientific committees at national and international symposiums, conferences, and summer school. She acted as guest editor for special issues, edited book chapters, published more than 70 SCI papers having an h-index of 23.



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