

## **First Canadian to lead the International Ozone Association**

At the 24<sup>th</sup> World Congress & Exhibition of the International Ozone Association which was held in Nice, France October 20-25, Dr. Saad Jasim, P.Eng., was inaugurated as the President of the International Ozone Association, that marked the commencement of the First Canadian to lead the association which was established in 1973. Dr. Jasim's term starts on January 2020-January 2022. Representatives from 32 countries attended the 24<sup>th</sup> World Congress.

The inauguration took place on October 21, 2019 during the Annual General Meeting. Mr. Bernhard Paolini, Switzerland, President of the International Ozone Association, introduced Dr. Jasim, who was elected by the 3 Regional Boards of Directors (PAG, EA3G & NIG). The Canadian National Anthem in both languages, English and French was played. Dr. Jasim thanked the Boards of Directors and the members of the association for the confidence placed on him. The International Ozone Association (IOA) was formed in 1973, a nonprofit educational and scientific organization dedicated to the collection and dissemination of information on, and promotion of research in, any and all aspects of ozone and related oxygen species technologies. The International Ozone Association consists of 3 regional groups, the Pan American Group (PAG) that serves all of North, Central, and South America, the Nippon Islands Group (NIG) that serves all of Japan, and the European African Australasian Group (EA3G) that serve the rest of the world.

He served as President of the International Ozone Association-Pan American Group (IOA-PAG) 2010-2011. In 2010, Dr. Jasim served as President of the Ontario Water Works Association (OWWA)-Section of AWWA.

Dr. Jasim introduced Ozone for the drinking water treatment to the City of Windsor in 2001 when he was serving as Director, Water Quality for the Windsor Utilities Commission, Windsor, Ontario, Canada. He designed complete recycled water treatment system with ozone to Green House operation in Leamington, Ontario, Canada, to reuse 100,000 liter a day and to reduce the impact of nutrients discharged to Lake Erie. He successfully introduced in 2019 the application of ozone as part of the treatment processes for Arsenic and Manganese treatment in the City of White Rock, BC, Canada.

Dr. Jasim introduced ozone for the treatment of Cyanotoxins from Harmful Algal Blooms, and water reuse during his tenure as Acting Research Director and Principal Investigator at the Qatar Environment and Energy Research Institute (QEERI), Hamad Bin Kalifa University, Doha, Qatar.

Dr. Jasim is a member of Editorial Boards of; Ozone Science & Engineering Journal-Taylor and Francis, and the Journal of Water Process Engineering- Elsevier.

Received many prestigious awards such as; the 2016 George Warren Fuller Award-OWWA/AWWA, the 2011 Harvey Rosen Award-International Ozone Association, 2008 Emerald Award-Ontario Ministry of Environment, 2004 Engineer of the Year Award-Professional Engineers Ontario. Dr. Jasim serves as Adjunct Professor at the University of Windsor, Windsor, Ontario, Canada since 1996.



**Dr. Jasim during the Inauguration on October 21, 2019, Nice, France**