## ENG. HADI HOSSEINI ARAGHI

Eng. Hadi Hosseini Araghi was born in 1943, in Arak, Iran, where he graduated from the high school of natural sciences. He received his B.Sc. degree in Agricultural Engineering from the University of Tehran. In 1969, he started his collaboration with the Range Organization in the form of preparing range management plans. He received his M.Sc. from the Arizona State University in 1976. Then, in 1991, he received a sabbatical completion certificate (equivalent to PhD) from the New Zealand Department of Scientific and Industrial Research in the field of remote sensing and geographic information systems. Until 1986, he had various positions as expert, range ecology



supervisor, and the deputy of Range Technical Office. Then, for three years, he was one of the members of The Supreme Council of Forests and Rangelands. In 1990, he moved to the Ministry of Agriculture-Jahad and served in different sections including agriculture, monitoring and evaluation, and agricultural development studies. After retirement in 2001, he established the Cooperative– Engineering Company and advice on sustainable development of Iran and served as a member of its Board of Directors.

Professional skills:

-Agricultural development planning

-Remote sensing and geographic information systems

-Study and research on environmental resources

Membership:

Responsible for mapping of desertification and vegetation in the national project of desert land use planning (International Desert Research Center, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources University of Tehran).

Fellow co-founder of the Group for Research and Education (new rural development) with a history of more than forty years of experience in the centers of higher education, including Faculty of Natural Resources, University of Tehran

Advisor to the Office of Sustainable Agriculture and Environmental Protection Publications:

-More than 50 articles and books about the forests, rangelands, and sustainable rural development in agriculture

-Compiling guidelines on range management plans

-Compiling guidelines on range inventory

Eventually, he passed away on December 5, 2016.

God bless his soul.

**Reference: Dr. Ehsan Zandi Esfahan**