

# SUMMIT

## **Yazan K. Mahadin**

### **Commissioner for Petra Archaeological Park and Tourism Petra Development and Tourism Region Authority (PDTRA)**

**Yazan K. Mahadin** is a Jordanian architect and landscape architect, currently serving as the Commissioner for Petra Archaeological Park and Tourism at the Petra Development and Tourism Region Authority (PDTRA). Known for his commitment to environmental protection through landscape architecture, Mahadin has led significant projects and promoted sustainable practices across Jordan

Previously, he was the CEO of MK Associates, Jordan's first landscape architecture firm, established in 1987. His academic background includes a Bachelor's degree in Architecture from Cairo University and a Master's degree in Landscape Architecture from Mississippi State University. His contributions to the field have earned him numerous awards, including recognition from the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 2014, an Honor Award from the American Society of Landscape Architecture (Mississippi Chapter) in 2015, and the Landscape Middle East Sustainability Award in 2023 for the Baptism Development Zone Project, along with three ASLA Merit Awards.

Mahadin has also been active in academia and sustainable development advocacy. He previously taught part-time at the American University of Madaba, served as Vice-Chairman of The Green Building Committee at the Jordanian Engineers Association, and was a board member at WADI for Sustainable Ecosystems Development, focusing on sustainable land use and conservation initiatives in Jordan.