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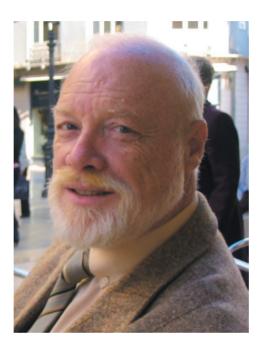
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IN MEMORIAM

This volume is dedicated to our colleague Dr. SLOBODAN REGNER who was devoted to fisheries biology, ecology of developmental stages of fishes, pelagic and demersal fish stock assessments, and long - term fluctuations of pelagic fish populations.



Dr. SLOBODAN REGNER 1944-2019

In Belgrade, on August 8, 2019, at the age of 75, Dr. Slobodan Regner, a scientific adviser to the Institute of Marine Biology-University of Montenegro, passed away. The departure of our colleague who was the founder of modern marine fisheries biology in Croatia and Montenegro, represents a major loss for the Croatian and Montenegrin academic and scientific community. We are sincerely deprived of a man who knew a great deal about the sea, who devoted his entire life to the sea and the discovery of its secrets, and who shared his knowledge selflessly and with ease to his students.

Dr. Slobodan Regner was born on November 4, 1944 in El - Shatt, Egypt. He was educated at the University of Belgrade, Faculty of Natural Sciences (B. Sc. in Biology, 1967), at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Natural Sciences (M. Sc. in ecology, 1970), and at the University of Belgrade, Faculty of Natural Sciences (Ph. D. in Biology, 1980).

He worked in the Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries, Split (1968 - 1991), in Natural History Museum, Belgrade (Serbia) (1991 -1994), and from 1994 until his retirement in the Institute of Marine Biology, Kotor (Montenegro).

His investigations cover problems mainly in marine biology, particularly those in fisheries biology, in the ecology of developmental stages of fishes, pelagic and demersal fish stock assessments, and long - term fluctuations of pelagic fish populations.

Scientific work through his master's the-

sis on "Contribution to the knowledge of the ecology of the planktonic stage of anchovy life, Engraulis encrasicolus (Linnaeus, 1758), in the Middle Adriatic", defended in 1970, was crowned with a doctoral dissertation entitled "Ecology of planktonic stages of anchovy, Engraulis encrasicolus (Linnaeus, Linnaeus, 1758)", which he defended at the Faculty of Sciences, University of Belgrade, in 1980. He spent a certain time at the Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries in Split (Croatia), studying the ecology of planktonic stages of fish, beginning with qualitative and quantitative analysis of ichthyoplankton composition in the Adriatic, research spatial-temporal distribution of eggs, larvae and postlarvae of fish in plankton in the wider Adriatic, and examination of the characteristics of development and growth of eggs, larvae and postlarvae of some species of fish under experimental conditions, analysis of the causes of fluctuations in the abundance of planktonic stages of fish, especially anchovy, to estimate anchovy biomass in the Adriatic by the method of estimating the daily production of their eggs and relative fecundity. He has also been researching the population dynamics of adult fish, primarily sardines and anchovy, mainly by analyzing long-term catch data and long-term catch forecasts based on mathematical time series approximations.

During the period 1979 - 1990, he was Croatian counterpart coordinator of the bilateral Italian - Yugoslavian project "Stock assessment of anchovy and sardine in the Adriatic by means of ichthyoplankton methods". As a coordinator of bilateral project, he cooperated with Laboratorio di Biologia Marina e di Pesca, Fano and Istituto di Zoologia e Anatomia comparata, Trieste (Italy). He coordinated the project "Population dynamics and stock assessments of pelagic and demersal resources of Montenegrin shelf area", financed by Montenegrin Ministry of Education and Science.

From 1987 to 1991, Dr. Slobodan Regner was a member of the Scientific and Teaching Council of the Postgraduate Study of Oceanology at the Faculty of Natural Science and Mathematics, University of Zagreb, and from 1985 to 1987, he was President of the Scientific Council of the Institute of Oceanography and Fisheries in Split. He was member of the International Commission for Scientific Investigation of the Mediterranean Sea. He was the president of Scientific Council of the Institute of Marine Biology in Kotor, as well as the member of Educational and Scientific Council of University of Montenegro in Podgorica.

In 1990, he received the collective award of the City of Split (Croatia) for science for his scientific contribution to the project "Management of the Kaštela Bay Area".

He was Editor-in-Chief of scientific journal "Studia Marina" issued by Institute of Marine Biology - Kotor, and the member of Editorial board of scientific journal "Acta Adriatica" and "Ichthyologia".

At the postgraduate study of Oceanology at the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Mathematics, University of Zagreb, since 1982 he has been teaching the course "Reproduction of fish and the restoration of their populations". Since 1985 he has been teaching course "Reproduction of fishes and Ecology of their early stages" as a part of the fisheries course for developing countries.

He has published more than 70 original scientific papers, and about 40 studies and reports.

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