

Hanadi S. Rifai

Biographical sketch

Dr. Hanadi S. Rifai is John and Rebecca Moores Professor of Environmental Engineering and Director of the Hurricane Resilience Research Institute (HuRRI) at the University of Houston. She also serves as Associate Dean for Research and Facilities in the Cullen College of Engineering and is Director of the Environmental Engineering Graduate Program at UH. Dr. Rifai is a Council Member of the Galveston Bay Council representing Major Universities on the Council. Dr. Rifai graduated with her Masters and PhD from Rice University and has been a Professor at the University of Houston for over 20 years. Her current research interests are focused on hurricanes and coastal resilience including research related to hardening infrastructure, softening environmental impacts, and addressing disparities in disaster outcomes in different communities in Houston and along the Gulf Coast.