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Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	The Authors must correct the number of described species worldwide in the Introduction (line 19), substituting 12.000 for 15,981 valid species. There are two large and reliable database for Ants: http://www.antweb.org/ (AntWeb is the world's largest online database of images, specimen records, and natural history information on ants.) http://www.antwiki.org/wiki/Welcome_to_AntWiki	Ok, I am correct this.
<u>Minor</u> REVISION comments	I report that has just been published a reclassification of Formicinae subfamily (Ward et al., 2016) based on the work of colleagues Bonnie Blaimer, Phil Ward and Brian Fisher published last year with molecular data (Blaimer et al., 2015). Some of the tribes of Formicinae been rearranged and some generic status changes were made, such as synonymy of <i>Phasmomyrmex</i> under <i>Camponotus</i> and resurrection of <i>Colobopsis</i> and <i>Dinomyrmex</i>. Both papers are open access and can be downloaded on the links: http://bmcevolbiol.biomedcentral.com/.../10.../s12862-015-0552-5 http://www.mapress.com/j/zt/article/view/zootaxa.4072.3.4	Ok, I will read later.



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<u>Optional/General</u> comments	I like the manuscript, the methodology is well explained and the results are interesting and very important. I believe that this study will provide a great contribution to the knowledge of the ant fauna from middle east.	Thanks, this certificate I cherish it.
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