

APPENDIX XVII [PCTA Item 8.2]

**AGENDA FOR 21ST MEETING OF THE
WORKING GROUP ON USE OF POOR QUALITY WATER FOR IRRIGATION (WG-PQW)**

9 November 2016, 13.30-15.00 hours (Session I)
9 November 2016, 15.30-17.00 hours (Session II)
Chiang Mai, Thailand

Strategy Theme: On-Farm

Presented by the Chair

Year of Establishment: 1995

Completion of the Mandate: 2016

Mandate: To promote a safe and good management of poor quality water for irrigation, to minimize the negative impact on human health and the environment, to promote the multiple use of poor quality water, and to give consideration to the institutional and legislation aspects with regard to the use of poor quality waters.

Website: <http://wg-pqw.icidonline.org/>

In September 2016, VPH Dr. Samia El-Guindy, Chair of the group has informed that due to some preoccupation/ non-approval from the Ministry, she will not be attending the Chiang Mai meeting in November 2016. Dr. Anna Tedeschi, Secretary of the group has also informed vide her email of 19 October 2016 that she had left the Italian National Committee and hence she can not participate in the future activities of the group.

WG-PQW Agenda Item 1: Action taken report by Chair

1. During the 2015 International Executive Council (IEC) meeting all the workbodies were requested to make use of the video conferencing facilities now being made available by the Central Office in order to monitor the actions taken on the decision of the WG. A virtual meeting through video conference also provides opportunity of participating in the activities of the WG for those members of the WG who are unable to attend the meeting physically and continue their membership. WG may please take note. The Chairman may like to present report on the actions taken on the various decisions/ proposals of the working group since Montpellier Meeting in 2015.

WG-PQW Agenda Item 2: ICID Action Plan 2030 – Activities for use of poor quality water for irrigation

2. The 66th International Executive Council (IEC), vide Resolution IEC-4/66 has approved the new Vision, Mission and six Organizational goals of ICID. In order to develop action plans, the Consultative Group (CG) requested inputs from ICID Work Bodies in prescribed format in May 2016 towards identifying actions to achieve the Organizational Goals in their area of activities which would in turn form a part of ICID Action Plan for Vision 2030.

3. Since there is no response received from the WG, the Central Office has prepared a draft action plan for the group (**Annex 1**). The group will discuss the draft activity plan and finalize it during the Chiang Mai meeting (2016) and provide its input to PCTA. The updated activity plan incorporating all the comments will be submitted to the CG for incorporation in the ICID Action Plan for Vision 2030. The members may deliberate.

WG-PQW Agenda Item 3: Publications of the working group

4. At Montpellier meeting (2015), the group noted that the following papers have been received: (a) "Impact of Irrigation by saline water on soil and crop production" by Dr. Anna Tedeschi (Italy); (b) "Impact of tsunami on farmland and the progress of rehabilitation after the great Japan earthquake" by Dr. Takanori Nagano (Japan). In June 2016, the Central Office requested Dr. Biswas, Dr. Vincent, and Prof. Rensburg to prepare and provide their papers towards publishing a Technical Paper of the WG. Chair may like to provide further updates on the technical paper.

WG-PQW Agenda Item 4: Exchange of information, knowledge & networking - Website

5. In July 2016, VPH Dr. R. Ragab (UK) circulated a paper titled "Modeling Soil Salinity in Greenhouse Cultivations under a Changing Climate with SALTMED: Model Modification and Application in Timpaki, Crete" and requested members to register themselves to the SALTMED Forum for the benefit of gaining knowledge.

6. In December 2015, Central Office circulated the United Nations World Water Development (WWDR) Report 2015 titled “Wastewater is Resource Water” and requested Chair and members of the group to review the Chapter 7 on Agriculture, as the subject is within the purview of the WG mandate and provide their comments on the storyline and contents. In June 2016, Central Office requested members to provide interesting articles/ presentations/ documents/ reports to ICID Central Office for its posting on the group’s website. The Chair and members may apprise the WG.

WG-PQW Agenda Item 5: Updating Multilingual Technical Dictionary (MTD)

7. At the 65th IEC, it was decided that ICID Central Office will bring out an online version of the MTD and make it available through ICID website. In this connection, Central Office is collecting the terms available with different NC in their respective languages, based on 2010 version of MTD. During Montpellier meeting in October 2015, the Permanent Committee for Technical Activities (PCTA), considering this as an important input for working towards SDGs, recommended setting up of new workbody to review/ update the existing MTD. Accordingly, a Task Force on MTD has been proposed to be set up with WG Chair/ nominee as members along with members from various expert international organizations (Refer PCTA Agenda Item 4, page 82).

8. Since PCTA would require a feedback from each of the WGs as to how they plan to review / update the terms that fall within their respective scope of activities, the group may like to discuss this issue and nominate a suitable expert as a nodal person for reviewing the terms related to the activities of the group. To achieve this goal, it is proposed that WG undertake review of the concerned terms depending on their domain of expertise suggesting changes / modification and addition of new terms, along with contributing pictures, links and videos related to respective term. The WG may deliberate.

WG-PQW Agenda Item 6: Country presentations by members

9. At Montpellier meeting, interesting presentations were made by the representatives from China, Egypt, Japan, and South Africa. In August 2016, Central Office requested members to get in touch with the Chair well in advance for making their presentations at the Chiang Mai meeting. In response, VP Dr. Ding Kunlun has informed that Dr. Wu Wenyong (China) will attend the meeting (on behalf of him) and make presentation on “Review and Perspective of Brackish Irrigation in China” at the meeting. The Chair may apprise the WG.

WG-PQW Agenda Item 7: Closure report and Scoping Document (mandate) of the new Working Group

10. At Montpellier meeting (2015), it was suggested that the closure report will be prepared and presented during the Thailand meeting in 2016 and for this purpose it was proposed to prepare a Scoping Document to carry forward the agenda with a new mandate. In June 2016, Central Office requested Chair to prepare a Scoping Document in cooperation with the WG members for setting up a new WG, for its submission to PCTA/ IEC for approval in November 2016 in Chiang Mai, Thailand.

11. Chair VPH Dr. Samia El-Guindy will present the Scoping Document at the Chiang Mai meeting for discussion among WG members and its finalisation. The consensus scope would be presented by the Chair of the group to PCTA in its meeting on 11 November 2016 for approval by the IEC. Present membership of the WG is available at **Annex 2** for information.

SUPP: Chinese National Committee (CNCID) has nominated Mr. Wu Wenyong in place of Dr. Ding Kunlun for the membership of the group. This is for information.

WG-PQW Agenda Item 8: Any other business

WG-PQW Agenda Item 8.1: Guideline for reclaimed water irrigation

12. In August 2016, Dr. Wu Wenyong (China) suggested to include the topic “Guidelines for reclaimed water irrigation” in the scope of the working group and future activities.

SUPP:

WG-PQW Agenda Item 8.2: Webinar/ web-based seminar

13. **Webinar/ web-based seminars are organized on web platform using video conferencing. This platform is used to organize workshop, seminar, presentations, etc. Many international organizations are using this platform to disseminate their knowledge. In order to share vast expertise available with ICID fraternity with Members of the**

NCs, it is proposed to organize on average about 2 webinars per month with the support of WG experts. WG will discuss and suggest 5-6 topics, based on the mandate of the WG, on which webinar can be considered along with name of the relevant experts who could be contacted to develop webinars.



NOTES FOR CHAIRPERSON:

1. Draft minutes of this meeting to be submitted to ICID Secretariat at Chiang Mai (Thailand) after the meeting.
2. Chair to participate and present the WG report to PCTA meeting on 11 November 2016.

ICID ACTION PLAN VISION 2030 – ACTIVITIES BY WORKBODIES

Name of the Chairman and members filling this questionnaire: VPH Samia El-Guindy (Chair) and Dr. Anna Tedeshi (Secretary)

Date:

		Outcomes/ Outputs	Milestone for Year 2017	Milestone for Year 2018	Milestone for Year 2019	Milestone for Year 2020	Milestone for Year 2021
Goal 1: Enable higher crop productivity with less water and energy							
	WG Activity 1.1		Milestone 1	Milestone 2	Milestone 3	Milestone	Milestone 5
	Presentations						
	Case studies						
	Lessons Learned						
Goal 2: Be a catalyst for change in policies and practices	2.1 Publication	Publication	Technical Report				
Goal 3: Facilitate exchange of information, knowledge and technology	3.1 International conference/ workshop/ seminar	Workshop Proceedings	Workshop		Workshop		

		Outcomes/ Outputs	Milestone for Year 2017	Milestone for Year 2018	Milestone for Year 2019	Milestone for Year 2020	Milestone for Year 2021
Goal 4: Enable cross disciplinary and inter-sectoral engagement	WG Activity 4.1 Dialog with water users and Civil Society		Milestone 1	Milestone 2 Round table discussions	Milestone 3	Milestone	Milestone 5
Goal 5: Encourage research and support development of tools to extend innovation into field practices	WG Activity 5.1 More Cooperation with young Professionals		Milestone 1	Milestone 2	Milestone 3	Milestone	Milestone 5
Goal 6: Facilitate capacity development	Training Workshop	Training Workshop	Organize Training Workshop		Organize Training Workshop		

Attendance of Members at 2014 and 2015 Meetings

Sl. No.	Members	Member from	2014		2015		Remarks
			Self	Contributed by mail	Self	Contributed by mail	
1.	VPH Dr. Samia El-Guindy, Chair, 2011 (Egypt)	1999	•		•	•	
2.	Dr. Anna Tedeshi, Secretary (Italy)	2011		•			
3.	VPH Dr. R. Ragab (UK)	1997		•		•	
4.	VPH Dr. Karim Shiati (Iran)	1997			•		
5.	Prof. Leon van Rensburg (South Africa)	2010			•		
6.	Dr. Takanori Nagano (Japan)	2011	•		•		
7.	VP Dr. Ding Kunlun (China)	2012			•		
8.	Dr. Tapas Kumar Biswas (Australia)	2012		•		•	
9.	Dr. S.K. Deshmukh – Direct Member, JISL (India)	2015					Accepted as Provisional Member in 2015. Discontinue since quit JISL .
	Permanent Observers						
(i)	FAO representative						
(ii)	ICBA representative (UAE)						



