

**Minutes of the 8th Meeting of the
WORKING GROUP ON IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE IN THE STATES UNDER
SOCIO-ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION (WG-IDSST)**

11 October 2017, 09.00-10.30 hours (Session I)
11 October 2017, 11.00-12.30 hours (Session II)
Mexico City, Mexico

Presented by the Chairman

Year of Establishment: 2009

Extended completion of the Mandate: 2017

Mandate: (1) To develop and strengthen the network among the countries of transition; (2) to organize monitoring and evaluation of common problems in the States that belong to transition economy; (3) to create database and exchange of information about changing situation in Irrigation and Drainage in these States and to attract global and national attention to existing trends affecting global and national food security and wellbeing of rural population; (4) to summarize the experiences in overcoming negative tendencies in organizing public-private partnerships, implementation of IWRM and broad-basing of stakeholder; (5) to monitor the ecological situation in the transition states, including problems of closed basin (Aral Sea, Caspian Sea), salinization and water logging, etc.; (6) development of appropriate advance irrigation and drainage technology in transition states and its dissemination through capacity building; (7) to promote farmer's training to create awareness about irrigated and drainage agriculture.

Members Present: (1) VPH Prof. Peter Kovalenko, Chairman (Ukraine); (2) Dr. Shukhrat Mukhamedjanov, Secretary (Uzbekistan); (3) Dr. Katsuyuki Shimizu (Japan); (4) Engr. Peter Yukubu Manjuk (Nigeria); (5) Dr. Alexander Solovyev (Russia); (6) Dr. Vijay Labhsetwar represented Secretary General Avinash Tyagi.

Observers: (1) Clarke Ballard (Australia); (2) Ashraf El-Sayed (Egypt); (3) Marine Egutia (Georgia); (4) Naresh Modi (India); (5) Haeruddin Cebba Maddi (Indonesia); (6) Soekrasno (Indonesia); (7) Omid Moridnejad (Iran); (8) Hidefumi Murashita (Japan); (9) Yoji Inayoshi (Japan); (10) Kwang Sik Yoon (Republic of Korea); (11) Jong Myong Kim (Republic of Korea); (12) Mohd Adnan Ahmad Fauzi (Malaysia); (13) Gusell Medou (Mexico); (14) Luis Martin Gonzalez (Mexico); (15) Alberto Umela (Mexico); (16) David Castillo (Mexico); (17) Sunmona Kenneth (Nigeria); (18) Dr. Ado K Abdullahi (Nigeria); (19) Mayaishki Yuru (Russia); (20) Dilshod Kimsanov (Tajikistan).

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WG-IDSST Minutes Item 1: Action taken report by Chair

1. Chair Prof. Peter Kovalenko welcomed the members and presented a report on the actions taken on the decisions and proposals of the working group made at its last meeting at Chiang Mai in November 2016.
2. The WG reviewed the nomination of Eng. W.B. Palugaswewa received from Sri Lankan National Committee for the membership of the group. Since the nominee was not present, the group admitted him as Provisional member.
3. Representatives from Egypt and Georgia requested the Chair of the WG to include their representatives in WG-IDSST viz. Dr. Eng. Mohamed A. Shehata Wahba (Egypt) and Givi Gvardashvili (Georgia), subject to receiving nomination from their NC to ICID Central Office. While the representative from Republic of Korea, Yoon Kwan Sik requested to include him as Permanent Observer in the WG, subject to receiving nomination from Korean National Committee (KCID). Membership status is given in **Annex 7 (page 55)**.

WG-IDSST Minutes Item 2: Road Map to ICID Vision 2030 – Activities in the States under socio-economic transformation

4. The group reviewed and discussed the Road Map to ICID Vision 2030. After deliberations on the action plan of the WG, Sh. Mukhamedjanov presented the main activities such as organization of workshops, publications, development and supporting of database and training to facilitate capacity development. It was pointed out that due to lack of financial resources, WG faced difficulties in organization of the regional workshops. During the meeting, Dr. Vijay Labhsetwar proposed to organize national workshop within individual country on the same topic to avoid the international costs involved and share the results with each other. Dilshod Kimsanov (Tajikistan) proposed to involve young professionals in these national workshops.

WG-IDSST Minutes Item 3: Develop and strengthen the network among the countries

5. After discussion, the group proposed that to develop and strengthen the network among the countries, following actions to continue which were accepted earlier:

- (a) Every year each country prepare/ compile/ shared information about existing situation and problems in the area of irrigation and drainage, how problems were solved, and what problems did not find solutions;
- (b) Publish the information through ICID web site and other available web sites such as SIC-ICWC;
- (c) ICID Central Office to provide support for e-publications.

The members expressed their commitment to the actions as above.

WG-IDSST Minutes Item 4: Monitoring and evaluation of common problems in states with economy in transition - Update

6. During the meeting, four presentations were made related to irrigation and drainage issues by representatives from Japan, Korea, Ukraine and Uzbekistan: (i) Dr. Katsuyuki Shimizu (Japan) presented a brief history of development of irrigation and drainage in Japan, (ii) Dr. Kwang Sik Yoon (South Korea) made a presentation on "Irrigation Modernization and Revitalization in Korea". (iii) Prof. Peter Kovalenko (Ukraine) presented the strategy of irrigation and drainage rehabilitation and modernization in Ukraine - 2030 (*developed by joint group of World Bank experts, FAO and Institute of Water Problems and Land Reclamation*), (iv) Dr Shukhrat Mukhamedjanov (Uzbekistan) presented a brief on development of irrigation and drainage in Uzbekistan.

7. In addition to the above, Mr. Dilshod Kimsanov, Secretary of Tajikistan National Committee (TAJCID) submitted a report to the WG about the irrigation and drainage activities of Tajikistan NC.

WG-IDSST Minutes Item 5: Create database on irrigation and drainage in the countries of transition

8. The Chair informed the group that a datasheet had already been circulated for creating the database on irrigation and drainage in the countries of transition. After discussion, it was decided that based on the existing materials, the database will be updated and then it may be uploaded on ICID website.

WG-IDSST Minutes Item 6: Scoping Document for the Working Group

9. Dr. Sh. Mukhamedjanov presented the 'Scoping Document' to the members. The revised mandate of the scoping document was discussed and accepted by the members of the working group. During the meeting, Secretary General Avinash Tyagi proposed to include all the existing issues from various countries in the mandate. The Scoping Document for WG-IDSST will be presented to PCSO for approval.

WG-IDSST Minutes Item 7: Any other business

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

