



# News Update

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## From Secretary General's Desk...

Dear Friends,



Reports reveal that the number of people suffering from the disastrous floods in Pakistan far exceed recent significant disasters like 2004 Indian Ocean tsunami and Haiti earthquake. Evacuation of nearly half a million people from submerged banks along the swollen Indus is a challenge faced by Pakistan. And one sees that Pakistan is not alone in facing the flood miseries due to monsoons. The disastrous landslides in Leh in Jammu and Kashmir in India due to cloud burst and consequent extreme floods unforeseen in one's lifetime is a reminder of the future challenge in risk estimation bracketing extreme events. We also learn that calamitous floods due to monsoons are affecting China too equally. Our profound sympathies go to all the victims and others affected in the region due to monsoons. Let us convey through our National Committees PANCID, CNCID and INCID our solid support to our colleagues involved in facing the challenge of flood management during this pressing times. The challenge before ICID in its mission for evolving "comprehensive approaches for flood management" is swelling. Often these are attributed to the Global Climate Change phenomenon. Pooling knowledge cutting across barriers would help us to understand and propose better hazard management strategies. WG-CAFM is endeavouring to organise full discussions on the disastrous Asian monsoon this year during its forthcoming Yogyakarta meeting; hope that this will throw more light on these happenings from experts of NCs through their presentations.

Getting back to 61<sup>st</sup> IEC 2010, I am pleased to inform you that the entire IEC Agenda and ICID Annual Report 2009-10 have been placed on our website on 9 August 2010. Hope that the timely placement of these important pre council meeting documents would help our friends working hard to make the working group proceedings rich and rewarding.

Before I conclude, I have the pleasure to place in the box in the side, an invitation from INACID President Dr. Ir. Roestam Sjarief, MNRM for the forthcoming 61<sup>st</sup> IEC and 6<sup>th</sup> ARC in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. May I join him in extending my own invitation to all of you? See you in Indonesia.

Best Regards,

M. Gopalakrishnan  
Secretary General

## An Invitation from President INACID for the 61<sup>st</sup> IEC and 6<sup>th</sup> ARC



As the time is coming closer to hosting the 61<sup>st</sup> International Executive Council Meeting (IECM) and 6<sup>th</sup> Asian Regional Conference (ARC) of the International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage, it is our great pleasure to welcome you to this very important event. We hope that this event would equip us with issues related with water and land resources development and management towards achieving sustainable development.

In my capacity as the President of INACID, I kindly extend our warmest invitation to you and your family as well as colleagues to participate in the 61<sup>st</sup> IECM and 6<sup>th</sup> ARC of ICID which will be held during 10-16 October 2010 at Sheraton Mustika Yogyakarta Resort and Spa in the heart of beautiful Java island, Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

The theme "Improvement of Irrigation and Drainage Efficiency under the Small Land Holding Condition" has been set which is very relevant to the current world food and financial situations. This condition, in the Asian region in particular, is fairly relevant for small holding agriculture farmers who are most affected by the current financial and economic depression. Therefore, it is hoped that this conference will enable the participants to discuss the ways to resolve the underlying issues and eventually to contribute something worth in improving the efficiency and productivity of small land holder irrigated and drained agricultural lands in particular and irrigation of the world in general.

We look forward to welcome all stakeholders, scientists, engineers and others who are knowledgeable in the irrigation and drainage from all over the world. We truly believe that contributing together for the development of the knowledge in this sector can lead to highly valuable conclusions of the conference.

For up to date information, please visit the conference website at <[www.icid2010.org](http://www.icid2010.org)>

SEE YOU IN YOGYAKARTA.

Dr. Ir. Roestam Sjarief, MNRM  
President, INACID

## News from ICID National Committees

### FINCID (Finland)

Prof. Harri Koivusalo has taken over as the new Chairman of the Finnish National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage (FINCID). The contact coordinates of Prof. Koivusalo are as below:

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ICID fraternity extends its warm welcome to Prof. Koivusalo and expresses its thanks to Prof. Pertti Vakkilainen, former Chairman for his contributions to ICID. [Source: FINCID]

### Germany (GECID)

The new E-mail address of VPH Dr.-Ing. Eiko Lübke is: E-mail: 415@bmelv.bund.de (new) The other contact coordinates are: Bundesministerium für Ernährung, Landwirtschaft und Verbraucherschutz, Ref. 415, Ländliche Infrastruktur, Rochusstrasse 1, 53123 Bonn, Germany. Tel. +49 (0) 228 99 529 3683; Fax +49 (0) 228 99 529 4262,

### Indonesia (INACID)

#### National Seminar by YPF-INACID

As a part of their efforts to encourage the "Young Professional Forum, INACID", the Indonesian National Committee of ICID (INACID) has been actively involving the YPs, in all of INACID activities, including working groups, task forces, discussions, workshops, colloquiums and seminars. The YPF-INACID conducted a National Seminar with the theme "Sustainable Development and Management of Water Resources" on 23 June 2010. The Seminar was officially opened by Dr. Moh. Amron, Director General of Water Resources Development, Ministry of Public Works in the presence of about 160 participants from some Research Institutes of the relevant Ministries, engineering consultants, Universities, agricultural institutes, and YPF-INACID members, as well as the prospective members (invitees) from Universities, and some professional organizations in the provinces of Indonesia.

Vice President Dr. Hafied Gany delivered a key note on "Water Footprint Concept as a Global Parameter for Bridging the



*Similar Perception on Inter-agency and Inter-stakeholders Collaboration toward Sustainable Integrated Water Resources Development and Management".*

Out of 40 proposed abstracts, 24 papers were accepted and included in the seminar proceedings. The top six of the papers were presented and discussed at the seminar. The best two papers received special awards. [Source: VP Hafied Gany, INACID]

### India (INCID)

World Water Day - 2010 was organized by Ministry of Water Resources, Govt. of India on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2010 at New Delhi.



The theme of the world water day was "Communicating Water Quality challenges and Opportunities". During this occasion National Ground Water Congress was also organized. The occasion was graced by Hon'ble Union Minister of Water Resources Mr. Pawan Kumar Bansal, Prof. M.S. Swaminathan, Hon'ble Member of Parliament and Agricultural Scientist, Mr. Umesh Narayan Panjari, Secretary Ministry of Water Resources, Mr. A.K. Bajaj, Chairman, Central Water Commission & INCID and Mr. B.M. Jha, Chairman, Central Ground Water Board. Mr. A.K. Bajaj, Chairman CWC/INCID, chaired the technical session.

On the occasion, Mr. Pawan Kumar Bansal, Union Minister of Water Resources dedicated a web enabled Ground Water Information system of India. During the occasion National Water award and Ground water Augmentation awards were also conferred to NGO's & Gram Panchayat's working in the field of water conservation and artificial recharge. [Source: INCID]

### Spain (CEYRD)

The new postal address of CEYRD is :

Comité Español de Riegos y Drenajes (CEYRD), Ministerio de Medio Ambiente, y Medio Rural y Marino, Despacho: C-0012 (C-SS7), Pza. de San Juan de la Cruz, s/n, 28071 Madrid, Spain. Tel: +34 91 533 2253 / +34 91 597 6639; Fax: +34 91 533 2253; E-mail: aeryd@aeryd.es; ja.ortiz@iies.es

## ICID Invites Applications for the Position of its Secretary General

### Responsibilities and duties of Secretary General:

The affairs of the Commission are conducted under the overall supervision of the International Executive Council (IEC) comprising representatives of all member countries. In between meetings of the IEC, the Council delegates the management of the Commission to a Management Board (MB) headed by the President of ICID. Under direction of the President, the Secretary General executes the decisions of the IEC and MB, and manages the operations of the Commission on a day-to-day basis.

The Secretary General is a full time Office Bearer of the Commission, and is the Commission's executive representative in the worldwide community of professional organizations. The Secretary General is directly responsible for the promotion of ICID, for the development and nurturing of relationships with international organizations, and for the preparation and execution of studies and other activities aimed at analyzing and promoting good irrigation, drainage and flood management policies and practices worldwide. Employing excellent professional and leadership skills, the Secretary General is responsible for creating and implementing programmes that make the Commission a world leader in the development and dissemination of sustainable solutions to the challenges of water and land management for enhancement of worldwide supplies of food and fiber.

The Secretary General operates from ICID's Central Office at New Delhi, India and is responsible for the conduct of all administrative and financial business of ICID. In addition, the Secretary General develops and implements programmes to achieve ICID's general goals, broader worldwide recognition, oversees the professionally recognized publications programme, identifies funding sources and prepares proposals to obtain external funding for the execution of special projects. The Secretary General executes programmes aimed at strengthening existing National Committees and expanding the membership of ICID through development of such Committees in countries where they do not yet exist.

**Office Management:** As the CEO, the Secretary General has overall responsibility for the work carried out by the Central Office and ensures that it functions optimally to serve the needs of Office Bearers, National Committees and Work bodies of the ICID. In consultation with the Staff Committee, the Secretary General oversees the management of the ICID Contributory Provident Fund, and establishes rules and procedures for governing

the staff and the functioning of the Central Office.

**Financial Management:** The Secretary General as the Treasurer of ICID reports annually to the Council on the accounts of the Commission, and is responsible for the financial management of the Commission, including receipts, expenditure and management of all funds. The Secretary General prepares annual budgets for consideration of the International Executive Council, and is responsible for proper execution of budgets as approved by the IEC.

**Meeting Management:** The Secretary General is responsible for the annual meetings of the Commission, the triennial world congresses and other meetings and conferences to be organized by ICID and hosted by National Committees. The Secretary General ensures that proper logistic arrangements are made and that meetings, agendas and contents are of a high standard and reflects the goals and policies of the Commission.

### Desired Attributes for Secretary General, ICID

The Secretary General should:

1. Be an innovative thinker and progressive leader with knowledge of the irrigation and drainage sectors, and familiar with ICID and other international professional organisations working in the water and agriculture sectors.
2. Have excellent written and verbal communication skills in the English language. Similar knowledge and skills of the French language is desirable though not mandatory. (English and French are the official languages of ICID.)
3. Have broad exposure to global issues relating to water, irrigation and drainage, MDGs, climate change and their implications on sustainable development. Experience with international companies and organisations, or association with both private and public sectors at a senior level will be an advantage.
4. Be able to communicate effectively and in a timely manner with Office Bearers, National Committees, ICID work bodies and external stakeholders with diverse cultural and multi-national membership.
5. When representing ICID at international fora, be able to communicate with influence, both verbally and in writing, and to effectively articulate the views of ICID to a range of audiences.

6. Have proven skills with computers and use of Internet, be familiar with electronic social media and can guide senior management and staff in the use of a range of modern office, data and communication management tools.
7. Have a proven track record in directing the work of a large professional organization, and managing staff workloads, human resource policies, and budgets and finances, and be familiar with modern management and financial control tools.
8. Be an internationally and/or nationally recognized competent professional in integrated water resources management, including environmental management, irrigation, drainage and flood engineering, and socio-economic analysis and assessment.

### Compensation and Terms of Employment:

ICID offers an attractive remuneration package for the right candidate. The initial appointment will be for a term of three years beginning 01 January 2011 and will work in transition with the present Secretary General. Reappointment for a second consecutive term is possible based on satisfactory performance and approval of the IEC.

**Method of Application:** Interested candidates should submit a statement of interest in the position, clearly outlining their vision for advancing the organization in light of the challenges facing the sector, and their suitability with respect to the Desired Attributes listed above. Candidates should submit documentation to support their claims, provide current Curriculum Vitae and include the names and addresses of three referees familiar with their background and achievements.

The documents should be sealed in an envelope clearly marked "**APPLICATION FOR THE POST OF SECRETARY GENERAL, ICID**" and sent to: **The Convenor of the Nomination Committee, ICID Central Office, 48, Nyaya Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi - 110 021, INDIA**

For further information on the position, please contact President of ICID, who can be reached by email: [chandra.madramootoo@mcgill.ca](mailto:chandra.madramootoo@mcgill.ca).

**Deadline for Application:** Applications should be sent so as to reach the above-mentioned address on or before **31 August 2010**. Only short-listed candidates will be contacted.

## WILEY ONLINE LIBRARY

We are delighted to announce that **Wiley Online Library** has been launched over the weekend of 7-8 August 2010. **Wiley Online Library** replaces *Wiley InterScience* and will deliver seamless integrated access to over 4 million articles from 1500 journals, 9000 books, and hundreds of reference works, laboratory protocols and databases from John Wiley & Sons and imprints including Wiley-Blackwell, Wiley-VCH and Jossey-Bass. Featuring a clean and easy-to-use interface, this online service provides intuitive navigation, enhanced discoverability, expanded functionalities and a range of personalization and alerting options.

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*Enjoy browsing 'Irrigation and Drainage'!*

## SIWI – Water Prize Laureate

Dr Rita Colwell, distinguished Professor from the University of Maryland and Johns Hopkins University's Bloomberg School of Public Health in the United States, has been named the 2010 Stockholm Water Prize Laureate. Dr Colwell's pioneering research on the prevention of waterborne infectious diseases has helped protect the health and lives of millions.

H.M. King Carl XVI Gustaf of Sweden, who is the patron of the Prize, will formally present Dr Colwell with the 2010 Stockholm Water Prize at a Royal Award Ceremony in Stockholm City Hall on September 9 during the 2010 World Water Week in Stockholm (<http://www.siwi.org/SWP2010>). [Source : SIWI]

## Workshop on “Water: a Priority for Latin American Countries”: A Report

Prof. Lucio Ubertini, as ICID Vice President, promoted workshops to involve Latin American Countries in ICID activities on the topic ‘*Water: a Priority for Latin American Countries*’, in Rome, Italy, in cooperation with IHE-UNESCO.

In the three meetings, held on the 25th of February, the 24<sup>th</sup> of March and the 14<sup>th</sup> of July 2010, the Vice President presented the role and activities of ICID, and invited the Latin America Countries to reactivate or join the Commission.

Latin American countries could share the objectives of ICID – the links between water and food, water and agriculture,

water and development. Given the almost unlimited water resources of some of its areas, the water has not yet played a central role in development.

Official representatives of many countries (*Republic of Argentina, Federative Republic of Brazil, Republic of Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Republic of Guatemala, Mexico, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*) took part in the workshops with interest. ITAL-ICID was represented by the President Dr. Gabriella Zanferrari. Five papers were presented on the subject.

The workshops highlighted the following aspects:

- Water plays a central and irreplaceable role in the development of all human activities.
- A unitary vision is essential to better understand water problems and enact proper and economically feasible solutions.
- It is appropriate to act and support better use of water resources, specifically for operational and design purpose.
- The central and strategic outcome of the meetings will be to prepare a set of proposals for consideration in the ICID American Regional Working Group (AMRWG) meeting at Yogyakarta, Indonesia and later in the PCSP/IAEW.

Some Latin American countries (*Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador*) have already presented their priorities for improving and enhancing the use of water resources.

All the representatives expressed their interest in scheduling periodic meetings to develop scientific programs on the topic ‘*Water: a Priority for Latin American Countries*’ and in the ICID activities.

The representatives expressed their interest in attending the meeting of American Regional Working Group (AMRWG) on 12 October 2010 at Yogyakarta, Indonesia. [Source : VP Prof. Lucio Ubertini, Italy]

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