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Call for Papers

International Workshop on “Public-Private-Partnership (PPPs) in Irrigation and Drainage Operation and Maintenance toward sustainable Irrigated Agricultural water management”

22 September 2020: 14:00-15:45 and 16:15 to 18:00 hours (TBC)

Sydney, Australia

I. OBJECTIVE

The objective of this workshop is to follow-up the IOA Workshop in Denpasar, Bali Indonesia that was conducted on 2nd September 2019 on the theme “Participatory Irrigation/ Drainage Management – PIDM and Management Transfer, Approaches and condition for successful PIDM” to provide subsequently for a more wider platform for irrigation and drainage professionals in the scope of activities related to the comprehensive mandate of WG-IOA, particularly in this proposal related with Mandate 3, which is “Public Private Partnership (PPPs) in irrigation and drainage operation as well as Mechanism for Cost Recovery”, covering among others: possibilities of and requirements for successful Public Private Partnerships (PPPs) in irrigation/ drainage operation and management; methods and mechanisms for charging of irrigation/ drainage services; and determination of level of cost recovery. The workshop materials will therefore be based on review experiences and approaches with IOA in the countries or regions that are having practical experiences on PPPs under the PIDM or IDMT programs both on conventional irrigation as well as on micro irrigation technology practices toward sustainable agriculture water management.

II. SCOPE OF THE WORKSHOP

Based on review and scrutiny of methodology and approach for appropriate implementation of Mandate 3 of WG-IOA, the scope of this workshop will only be focused on PPPs aspects related with institutional and organizational aspects of IDM schemes for possible up to date with new IOA developments, methodologies and approaches toward sustainable agriculture water management, including the possibility of cost recovery of O&M of irrigation and drainage infrastructures. The workshop materials will then be based on review of experiences and implementation approaches with IOA targeted to managers of irrigation and drainage schemes in the countries or regions that are represented based upon Organizational Setup with special scrutiny on I&O aspects, particularly related with Implementation practices of PPPs in Irrigation and Drainage Management as well as/or Irrigation Management Transfer covering approaches and conditions for successful PPPs under Irrigation/Drainage Management (PIDM) program, approaches and conditions for successful irrigation/ drainage management transfers (IDMT) by means of PPPs, including; legislation and institutional requirements for implementation of PPPs with full or partial recovery of O&M costs of irrigation and drainage systems through water users associations WUAs, considering IOA Aspects of PIDM as well as IDM transfer for Micro Irrigation system. On top of these, the discussions are also expected to cover the

capacity of the farmer to recover the sustainable O&M budget and resolving of water management problems; O&M Technology Practices, integrated working relationship with the related stakeholders; and capacity building as well as capacity development in relation with I&O structure versus sustainability of the routine implementation of integrated capacity development amongst the relevant stakeholders.

The Working Group on Institutional Aspects of Irrigation and Drainage System Management (WG-IOA) is proposing a Workshop during its 71th IEC meeting and 6th meeting of the WG-IOA in September 2020 at Sydney, Australia.

III. THEME /SUB-THEMES

The main theme of the Internal Workshop is “Public-Private-Partnership (PPPs) in Irrigation and Drainage Operation and Maintenance toward sustainable Irrigated Agricultural water management”

Sub-topics/ sub-themes:

1. **Topic – 1:** PPPs Approaches and conditions for successful IOA toward sustainable O&M of Irrigation and Drainage; including legislation and institutional requirements for PPP application by virtue of integrated working relationship amongst land ownership of irrigation and drainage systems and water users associations (WUAs).
2. **Topic – 2:** PPPs approaches and conditions of IOA for successful irrigation/ drainage management transfers arrangement; including legislation and institutional requirements for PPP application, delegation of responsibilities and/or ownership of irrigation and drainage systems to water users associations
3. **Topic – 3:** Legislation and institutional requirements for transferring of responsibilities and/or ownership of irrigation and drainage systems to water users associations (WUA) through PPPs Approach.

The abstracts / papers are invited from professionals, researchers, experts, practitioners, managers, and policy-makers on the first level (National, inter-state, inter-province or inter-basin) based on the mandate of the WG and are encouraged.

IV. SCHEDULE FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS / FULL PAPERS

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| i. Submission of abstracts (max. 300 words) | : 1 April 2020 |
| ii. Notification of acceptance | : 15 April 2020 |
| iii. Submission of full papers (max. 10 pages) | : 30 May 2020 |
| iv. Notification of acceptance of full papers | : 15 June 2020 |

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