Launched ICID Webinar Service as part of Knowledge Management

World Irrigation Forum (WIF) a triennial multi-disciplinary forum to engage experts from various disciplines for sharing and learning

N. D. Gulhati Memorial Lecture delivered by eminent experts during the triennial Congress for international cooperation

Promotion of multi-disciplinary engagement for sustainable solution to water management in agriculture

Encouraging Young Professionals to take up career in agriculture water management by sponsoring their participation in ICID activities/events and provide support for their capacity development

Established ICID Young Professional’s e-Forum (IYPeF) as a LinkedIn Group (https://www.linkedin.com/groups/6990321) with around 1000+ members to provide a dynamic platform to all Young Professionals to participate and discuss issues pertaining to Agriculture Water Management

A dedicated African Young Water Professionals’ e-Forum (Af-YWPeF) - https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12143964/ also established which consists a membership of more than 5600 professionals

Products and Services Directory in Irrigation and Drainage sector provides a platform to manufacturers/consultants and experts to exhibit their services and expertise

Global Developments of Irrigation Assets through World Register of Irrigation Schemes

ICID partners with UN-Water and has close affiliation/liaison with UN Agencies like FAO, IFAD, UNESCO, WHO, WMO, and other international professional organizations like ADB, AWC, GWP, ICARDA, ICID, ICRISAT, IFPRI, IIG, IHA, IUCN, IWRA, IWMI, ISID, AARDG, ICBA, WWC, World Bank, etc. with an aim to bring together various stakeholders for sustainable agriculture water management.

ICID actively contributes to various global dialogues and initiatives such as the World Water Fora, World Water Development Reports, etc. to ensure that agriculture water management practices are undertaken within the overall framework of integrated water resources management to achieve the overall aim of sustainable development aligning with the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

ICID is a widely recognized international organization with rich experience of irrigation and drainage sector. It provides an international platform for its members including individuals as well as private organizations to play a vital role in determining strategies in the field of irrigation and drainage. Members are provided free access to all ICID publications, reports, proceedings, ICID Journal, Annual Reports and special thematic publications. Members also get an opportunity to participate in the key Annual Events, Triennial Congresses, World Irrigation Forum, Regional Conferences, International Micro Irrigation Conference, International Drainage Workshop etc., providing an excellent platform for interaction and networking with added benefit of discount in registration process. Members also get an opportunity to participate in training programs and webinars. Additionally, ICID also explores financial assistance from donor organizations for delegates from developing countries to participate in ICID events.

We welcome and invite professionals from all countries, disciplines, institutions and private organizations/companies to join our network and contribute to its activities in pursuit of shared mission especially in attaining the goal of sustainable irrigated agriculture in the coming decades.
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VISION
A water secure world, free of poverty and hunger achieved through sustainable rural development.

MISSION
Mission To work towards sustainable AWM through inter-disciplinary approaches for economically viable, socially acceptable and environmentally sound irrigation, drainage and flood management.

WHAT WE DO
ICID brings together various stakeholders and experts from various disciplines on an international platform to deliberate on technical, agronomic, socio-economic, environmental and managerial complexities for the development, management and operation of irrigation, drainage and flood management works. The aim is to attain sustainable agriculture water management through exchange of experiences, ideas, good practices and promoting them widely among the member countries and stakeholders. As a Knowledge Hub, ICID through its technical workbodies generates knowledge by compiling and collating research data and disseminating them to all stakeholders through various channels.

GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT
Governing structure of ICID consists of the President, nine Vice Presidents and a Secretary General. The President and the Vice Presidents are elected for a term of three years with one-third of the Vice Presidents changing every year. The Secretary General who is also the Chief Executive Officer of the Commission is appointed on a full-time basis for a specified tenue. The affairs of the Commission are conducted under the overall supervision of the International Executive Council (IEC) - the General Body – comprising representatives from all NCs. In between meetings of the International Executive Council (IEC), the Council delegates the management of the Commission to a Management Board (MB). The Secretary General executes the decisions of the IEC and MB and manages the operations of the Central Office located in New Delhi which acts as ICID’s headquarter.

KEY FOCUS AREAS
ICID draws together a pool of more than 500 eminent professionals/experts from varied disciplines of irrigation water management involved in the development, planning, design, operation and management of irrigation, drainage and flood management works from all over the world. These professionals through technical and strategic working groups/workbodies address many topics and provide assistance to bring out various publications, reports and manuals on specialized topics. Though the topics addressed by the workbodies change over the time, the following list outline the current domain of activities:

- Modernization and revitalization of irrigation schemes
- Sustainable on-farm irrigation system development
- Water saving in irrigated areas
- Role of irrigation in rural development
- Environmental impacts of irrigation and drainage
- Global climate change and agriculture water management
- Use of non-conventional water resources for irrigation
- Sustainable agricultural and land drainage
- Managing water scarcity under conflicting demands
- Institution aspects of irrigation
- Capacity development
- Regional issues of irrigated agriculture
- Adaptive flood management
- Comprehensive approaches to flood management
- Water Food and Energy Nexus
- Managing water scarcity under conflicting demands
- History of irrigation, drainage and flood control
- Value engineering
- Rain water harvesting

In addition, issues related to specific regions are addressed by regional working groups representing Africa, Asia, America, and Europe. To address specific issues Task Force (TF) are also established from time-to-time to undertake a specific activity and complete it within the stipulated time.

KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE
Various technical workbodies organize meetings on the key focus areas as part of their Annual Meeting. Additionally, ICID organizes triennial World Irrigation and Drainage Congress and World Irrigation Forum. Regional Conferences, Micro-irrigation Symposia and Drainage Workshops are also organized to address and discuss issues of global/regional importance.

ICID brings out a peer-reviewed research journal ‘Irrigation and Drainage’ made available to all NCs and DMs on a complimentary basis. The Commission over seven decades through the rich experience of its members has developed a robust knowledge base by bringing out many special publications, position papers and proceedings which can be accessed by its members free of cost.

ICID publications that include quarterly ICID News, monthly News Update and weekly e-Bulletin helps to disseminate information and knowledge among the members and keep them abreast with the latest information. ICID Website (http://www.icid.org) helps in knowledge management process through Integrated Library Management System (ILMS), which provides an easy access to all available ICID resources. Besides the website also provides information on NCs, membership, workbodies activities, publications, database, awards, webinars, and upcoming ICID events, etc.

OUR MEMBERS
Membership of the Commission consists of National Committees (NCs) who represent their countries and are organized under the departments responsible for irrigation, drainage or agricultural water management. NCs generally include multi-disciplinary professionals such as planners and policy makers; water managers; irrigation and agriculture engineers; research scientists and educators and working in the related areas. Companies, institutions, and individuals can also participate in ICID activities through their respective NCs or as Direct Members (DM). Presently, ICID membership network covers over 90% of the irrigated area of the world.

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