

## REPORT OF THE 44<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE PERMANENT FINANCE COMMITTEE (PFC)

05 November 2023: 14:00-15:30 hours (Session I)

05 November 2023: 16:00-17:30 hours (Session II)

Visakhapatnam (Vizag), Andhra Pradesh State, India

**Members Present:** (1) VPH Dr. Marco Arcieri, Chairman (Italy, 2017), (2) Mr. Gao Lihui (China, 2019); (3) Mr. David Cameron, (Australia, 2020); (4) Dr. K. Yella Reddy (India, 2022); (5) Mr. Toru Okuda (Japan, 2022); and (6) Er. Ashwin B. Pandya, Secretary General, ICID

**Observers Present:** (1) Dr. Alireza Salamat (Iran) (2) Dr. Irena Bondarik (Russia) (3) Dr Bruno Grawitz (France), (4) Mr. Peter S. Lee (UK) (5) Mr. Taku Mori (Japan) (6) Dr. Bart Schultz (Netherlands) (7) Mr. M. Gopalakrishnan (India) (8) President Prof Dr. Ragab Ragab (UK), (9) Dr. Elijah A. Aderibigbe (Nigeria) (10) Engr. Peter Sule (Nigeria) (11) Dr. Ding Kun Lu (China), (12) Mr. Ian W. Makin (UK) (13) Engr. Harish K. Varma (ICID CO)

**General Note:** Conversion rate of US\$ versus INR (₹) (Indian Rupee) used in the budget and forecasts: –

1. A conversion rate of US\$1 = ₹ 75 was assumed in the forecast for the FY 2022-23 on the basis of the exchange rate in the preceding 15 months commencing from April 2021 to June 2022. Subscriptions received were, of course, converted based on the prevalent rate. The difference in the budgeted subscription receipts and the actual subscription receipts due to change in the exchange rate are accounted for as part of 'Other Receipts or Other Payments'.

2. Based upon average exchange rate of US\$ 1 for the last fifteen months from April 2022 to June 2023, an exchange rate of US\$ 1 = ₹ 81 has been assumed for the Revised Budget (Proposed) for the FY 2023-2024, Budget for FY 2024-25 and Preliminary Budget for 2025-2026 and Forecast Budget for the FY 2026-2027.

### **PFC Minutes Item 1: Review of the Membership of the Committee**

3. PFC noted the nomination of Dr. David Cameron, who has taken over as CEO of Irrigation Australia, on September 12, 2022, succeeding Mr. Bryan Ward. PFC recommended nomination of Dr. David Cameron to IEC for the remaining term of PFC membership. New nominations of Mr. Muhammed Imran Kulat (Turkey NC), Mr. Yahaya Dalha Kazaure (Nigerian NC), Ir. Birendrajana M.T. (Indonesia NC as observer) have been received. The nominations were accepted and recommended by the Permanent Finance Committee (PFC) to IEC which were subsequently also approved by the IEC. During the meeting Dr Irena Bondarik (Russia) and Dr. Bruno Grawitz (France) also proposed themselves for PFC Membership, which was recommended by PFC and subsequently approved by IEC as members.

4. PFC also noted that Pakistan National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage (PANCID) has Nominated again Engr. Husnain Ahmad to become a member of PFC. The Committee considered nomination for 2nd Term of PFC Membership and recommended the nomination of Engr. Husnain Ahmed for membership of PFC to IEC for approval which was subsequently approved by IEC in its meeting held on 8 November 2023.

5. PFC noted that the term of the PFC Chairman VPH Dr. Marco Arcieri, Secretary General, Italian National Committee, ICID will come to end at the conclusion of the 74<sup>th</sup> International Executive Council Meeting after completion of 6 years term, 2017 to 2020 as member of Permanent Finance Committee (PFC) and 2021 to 2023 as Chair of the PFC. Members proposed the nomination of Dr. Bruno Grawitz as Chairman of the PFC which was subsequently approved by IEC as the new chair of PFC. With the new nominations, the membership of the PFC will become 14, which is within the membership strength as mandated by the ICID By-laws 3.9.3.

6. Since only one member per country can be considered as member of PFC, the nomination of Ir. Birendrajana M.T. as the observer of PFC was recommended and subsequently approved by the IEC.

7. PFC recommended that ICID Central Office may invite new nominations for membership of PFC.

### **PFC Minutes Item 2: Report of the Direct Membership Administering (DMA) Sub - Committee**

8. PFC noted the present composition of Direct Member Administering (DMA) Sub-Committee, which was established with Chair PFC as its Chair and two members co-opted from PFC and one member from PCSO. Consequent upon the retirement of VPH Dr. Marco Arceiri as Chair of PFC with the conclusion of 74<sup>th</sup> IEC meeting, Dr. Bruno Grawitz who has been approved as new Chair of PFC will take over as the Chairman of the DMA Sub-

Committee, as per the Guidelines for Administering Direct Membership approved by the Council vide its Resolution 1/74. Revised composition of DMA after conclusion of 74<sup>th</sup> IEC will be as follows:

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| (a) | Dr. Bruno Grawitz Chair, PFC            | - Chairman |
| (b) | Mr. Delbert M. Smith, Member, PFC (USA) | - Member   |
| (c) | Mr. Gao Lihui, Member, PFC (China)      | - Member   |
| (d) | Prof. Dr. Sylvester Mpandeli, PCSO      | - Member   |

9. Based on the report of DMA Sub-committee, the PFC recommended, and subsequently IEC approved the following members as Direct Members of ICID:

Sl. No.	Name of Applicant	Country	Type of Membership Applied for
1.	Dr. Priju CP	India	Individual (2024)
2.	Dr. Srinivasa Varma Kothapalli	India	Individual (2023)
3.	Eng. Rajesh More	India	Individual (Life Membership)
4.	Prof. Mohammad Alwabel	Saudi Arabia	Individual (2024-2026)
5.	Dr. Kumar V.	India	Individual (Life Membership)

10. PFC Noted that India Water Foundation (IWF) renewed their direct membership for one year i.e. 2023

11. PFC noted that number of nominations (as listed below) have been received on-line for direct membership of ICID and based on the report of DMA Sub-committee, the PFC recommended to IEC that the following Individuals, Institutions and Companies may be approved in-principle as direct members of ICID subject to payment of membership subscription by them and no-objection from respective National Committees/Committee.

12. Mr. Manoj Kumar Verma, Individual (India), 2. Ms. Faith Muchembi, Individual (Kenya), 3. Mr. Mirajuddin Noorzada, Individual (Afghanistan), 4. Dr. Javed Hussain, Institution (Pakistan), 5. Mr. Himanshu Tyagi, Individual (India), 6. Mr. Rahul Nandurkar, Individual (India), 7. Eng. Rama Bakir, Individual (Syria), 8. Mr. Gelu Gezimu, Individual (Ethiopia), 9. Mr. Paschal Massay, Individual (Tanzania), 10. Mr. Jihad Alali, Individual (Turkey), 11. Eng. Carlos Rovello Gando, Individual (Ecuador), 12. Mr. Prahlad Patel, Individual (India), 13. Mr. Afzaal Khan, Individual (Pakistan), 14. Mr. Enock Asante Osei, Individual (Ghana), 15. Ms. Mubaraka Alghariani, Individual (Libya), 16. Mr. Ayman Batisha, Individual (Egypt), 17. Mr. Fei Liang, Individual (China), 18. Mr. Aniket Patil, Individual (India), 19. Mr. Hope Wang, Individual (China), 20. Mr. Yunxiu zou, Individual (China), 21. Mr. Umar Mustapha Jime, Individual (Nigeria), 22. Mr. Igbo Umukoro, Individual (Nigeria), 23. Ms. Aji Deni HM, Individual (Indonesia), 24. Dr. Goden Mabaya, Individual (Zimbabwe), 25. Mr. Hadi Esmaeli, Individual (Iran), 26. Mr. Zehua Zhu, Individual (China), 27. Mr. Syafiq Shaharuddin, Individual (Malaysia), 28. Dr. Kumar V, Individual (India), 29. Mr. Moussa Konda, Individual (Burkina Faso), 30. Mr. Jose III Collantes, Individual (Philippines), 31. Mr. Mohamed Monir, Individual (Egypt) and 32. Mr. Lenin Nyakinya, Individual (Kenya), 33. Mr. Harry Surwianto Sutomo, Individual (Indonesia), 34. Eng. Obinna Oruobi, (Nigeria), 35. Eng. Mohamed Hamed, Individual (Egypt), and 36. Mr. Sunil Kumar, Individual (India).

13. PFC also noted that the following 29 Direct Members remained active during the year 2023:

Sl. No.	Name of Direct Member	Country	Category	Duration
1.	M/s WAPCOS Limited	India	Company	3 Yrs.
2.	M/s Electro steel Castings Limited	India	Company	3 Yrs.
3.	M/s Jain Irrigation Systems Ltd.	India	Company	3 Yrs.
4.	India Water Foundation	India	Institution (A)	1 yr
5.	Central Board of Irrigation and Power (CBIP)	India	Institution (A)	3 Yrs.
6.	M/s Rivulis Irrigation India Pvt. Ltd.	India	Company	3 Yrs.
7.	M/s Vassar Labs IT Solutions Pvt. Ltd.	India	Company (B)	3 Yrs.
8.	Irrigation Australia Ltd	Australia	Company	Dual
9.	Mr. Y. Abdul Basheer	India	Individual (Retiree)	3 Yrs.
10.	Prof. P.K. Bordoloi	India	Individual	LM

Sl. No.	Name of Direct Member	Country	Category	Duration
11.	Dr. Ashish Pandey	India	Individual	LM
12.	Prof. Umesh Chandra Chaube	India	Individual (Retiree)	LM
13.	Prof. Lal Bahadur Roy	India	Individual	LM
14.	Mr. Aytekin Turgay	Turkey	Individual	LM
15.	Prof. Dr. Klaus Rottcher	Germany	Individual	LM
16.	Mr. Sajid Ali Bhutto	Pakistan	Individual	3 Yrs.
17.	Mr. Deepak Khare	India	Individual	LM
18.	Prof. (Dr.) Mitthan Lal Kansal	India	Individual	LM
19.	Dr. Ajay Pradhan	India	Individual	LM
20.	Mr. Ashok Hiralalji Karva	India	Individual	LM
21.	Profesor (Mr.) Arun Kumar	India	Individual	LM
22.	Dr. (Mr.) Ahmed E. Elshaikh	Sudan	Individual	LM
23.	Mr. Anton Urfels	Germany	Individual	3 Yrs.
24.	Dr. P.L. Patel	India	Individual	LM
25.	Dr. P.V. Timbadiya	India	Individual	LM
26.	Mr. Aariz Ahmed	India	Individual (YP)	1 Yr.
27.	Mr. Ahmed Abuzeid	Egypt	Individual (YP)	3 Yrs.
28.	Mr. Aloysisu Mubangizi	Uganda	Individual (YP)	3 Yrs.
29.	Mr. Thibaul T. Simon	Combodia	Individual (YP)	3 Yrs.

14. PFC noted the fees structure of direct membership which was approved in 63th IEC, (Adelaide, Australia, 2012) as given below in tabular form has remained unchanged since last 11 years.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION STRUCTURE (US\$)							
Membership category	Number of Nominees	Developed country			Developing country		
		1 year member	3 years member	Admission Fee	1 year member	3 years member	Admission Fee
<b>I. Company (A)</b>	Two	\$600	\$1720	\$180	\$400	\$1080	\$120
<b>II. Company (B)</b>	Four	\$1000	\$2700	\$300	\$850	\$2300	\$250
<b>III. Company (C)</b>	Six	\$2000	\$5400	\$600	\$2000	\$5400	\$600
<b>IV. Institution (A)</b>	Two	\$400	\$1080	\$120	\$280	\$760	\$80
<b>V. Institution (B)</b>	Four	\$600	\$1720	\$180	\$400	\$1080	\$120
<b>VI. Individual:</b>	-	\$100	\$270	\$20	\$60	<b>\$160</b>	\$20
<b>VII Individual: Retiree</b>	-	\$70	\$190	\$20	<b>\$60</b>	<b>\$160</b>	\$20
<b>VIII. Individual: Young Professional</b>	-	\$50	<b>\$135</b>	\$20	<b>\$50</b>	\$135	\$20
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Company Category A:</b> With annual turnover up to 1 million US \$</li> <li>❖ <b>Company Category B:</b> With annual turnover between 1 and 10 million US \$</li> <li>❖ <b>Company Category C:</b> With annual turnover above 10 million US\$</li> <li>❖ <b>Institution Category A:</b> With 1-50 employees</li> <li>❖ <b>Institution Category B:</b> With 50 and above employees</li> </ul>							

LIFE MEMBERSHIP FOR INDIVIDUALS (US\$)			
Membership category	Developed countries	Developing countries	Admission subscription
i. Individual	US \$ 900	US \$ 550	US \$ 20
ii. Individual (Retiree)	US \$ 600	US \$ 500	US \$ 20

**PFC Minutes Item 3: Review of the position of arrears of annual membership subscriptions from NCs and Membership status**

15. PFC and IEC appreciated Canadian National Committee, ICID (CANCID), for paying their membership subscription for the current year and also advance annual membership subscription in Canadian dollars (CAD) 34,720 for the years 2023, 2024 and 2025.

16. PFC noted that even after repeated reminders to Kenya National Committee their membership subscription is still awaited.

17. PFC noted that IRNCID has paid their subscription during 74th IEC in November 2023 and the following 22 National Committees are in arrears of subscription in different years of 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 as indicated below:

Sl. No	National Committee	Arrear Amount (US \$)						Total	Remarks/ Applicable By-Law (13.1/ 13.2) w.e.f. 1 January 2024
		2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Current Year (2023)		
1	Bangladesh	--	--	--	--	--	3175	3175	
2	Burkina Faso	--	--	--	--	1650	1650	3300	
3	Egypt	--	--	--	--	4655	4655	9310	
4	France	--	--	--	--	--	7235	7235	
5	Hungary	--	--	--	--	--	3765	3765	
6	Iraq	--	--	--	--	--	4315	4315	
7	Ireland	--	--	--	--	--	--	11960	Paid
8	Jamaica (New)	--	--	--	--	--	1635	1635	
9	Kenya	--	--	--	--	--	1865	1865	
10	Malawi	--	--	1700	1700	1700	1700	6800	By-law 13.2
11	Morocco	--	--	--	--	--	3215	3215	
12	Netherlands	--	--	--	--	5415	5415	10830	Opted for deactivation of membership
13	Nigeria	--	--	--	--	--	2250	2250	
14	Pakistan	--	--	--	--	7210	7210	14420	
15	Saudi Arab	--	--	--	--	--	4705	4705	
16	South Africa	--	--	--	--	--	3975	3975	
17	Sudan	--	--	2515	2515	2515	2515	10060	By-law 13.2 (Sudan NC requested to waive off dues)
18	Tajikistan	--	--	--	2185	--	2170	4355	
19	Turkey	--	--	--	--	--	6610	6610	
20	Ukraine	355	4100	4100	4100	4100	4100	20855	By-law 13.2
21	USA	--	--	--	12410	12410	12410	37230	By-law 13.1
22	Zambia	--	--	--	--	1785	1785	3570	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>355</b>	<b>4100</b>	<b>11305</b>	<b>25900</b>	<b>44430</b>	<b>89345</b>	<b>175435</b>	

18 PFC noted that the membership subscription of Tajikistan National Committee for the year 2021 which was kept under suspension due to phishing attack could not be traced so PFC recommended to write off this amount in the books of account, which was subsequently approved by IEC.

19. US National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage has arrears of 2 years excluding current year dues, which has remained pending even after several requests. The PFC recommended and IEC vide Resolution 1/74 approved to apply ICID By-law 13.1 to US National Committee debarring US National Committee from holding office whether it be as an Office bearer or as member of a working groups until such time the arrears are paid.

20. Three National Committees have arrears of 3 years and more excluding current year, out of these NCs, Ukraine continue to be in membership subscription arrears for 6 years (2017 to 2022) and the current year 2023 while Ireland, Malawi and Sudan have membership subscription arrears for the years 2020, 2021, 2022 and the current year 2023. PFC noted that several requests have been made to these NCs to clear their arrears. Ukraine has informed that due to ongoing war they are not able to pay the subscription arrears as of now. Similarly, Dr. Ahmed Mohamed Adam, Sudanese National Committee, ICID (SNCID) informed vide email dated 11 October 2023 that due to ongoing civil war there is political instability in Sudan for the last four years so they are not able to pay the subscription dues and requested for waiving off their dues until the war comes to an end.

21. PFC also noted with regret that Netherlands (NETHCID) NC is facing financial challenges and is not able to pay the membership subscription and also noted that Netherlands National Committee have paid the subscription for the year 2021 and informed to ICID that it will be the final membership subscription. However, PFC recommended to keep continue the NETHCID in ICID fold up to December 2024 to keep alive the hope to be the better financial position of NETHCID.

22. Considering the special circumstances, in Ukraine and Sudan, PFC recommended to defer the applicability of ICID Bye-law 13.2 for one year i.e. till December 2024, which was subsequently approved by IEC vide resolution No 1/74. However, PFC recommended to apply By-law 13.2 in case of Ireland and Malawi if their dues are not cleared by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 failing which these NCs will be designated as an associate member from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024 which was subsequently approved by IEC vide resolution No 1/74.

#### **PFC Minutes Item 4: Review of the financial status of recently held ICID events**

##### **PFC Minutes Item 4.1: 24 Congress & 73<sup>rd</sup> IEC in Adelaide, Australia, October 2022**

23. PFC thanked the Irrigation Australia's Committee on Irrigation and Drainage, Australian NC (IACID) for making special contribution to the ICID budget amounting to 35% of the registration fee amounting to AUD 77096/- (Australian Dollar Seventy-Seven Thousand Ninety-Six Only) in the month of January 2023 as a share of the registration fee of the 24<sup>th</sup> ICID Congress and 73<sup>rd</sup> IEC Meeting held during October 3<sup>rd</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The Committee also thanked and expressed its gratitude to IACID for the successful organization of the 24<sup>th</sup> ICID Congress and 73<sup>rd</sup> IEC Meeting, as well as for making a special contribution to the ICID budget in support of the ICID's purpose. While discussing, ICID share of registration fee from event as percentage Dr. Bruno was of the opinion that ICID share can be finalized as Lump sum amount event wise instead of as % share.

#### **PFC Minutes Item 5: Review of financial proposals for the forthcoming ICID events**

##### **PFC Minutes Item 5.1 74 IEC and 25 Congress in Vishakhapatnam, India, November 2023.**

24. PFC noted registration fees structure of the 74<sup>th</sup> IEC and 25<sup>th</sup> Congress in Vishakhapatnam, India, 1-8 November 2023, which was already approved as per the minutes of the 72<sup>nd</sup> IEC Meeting, Virtual, vide Resolution IEC-2/72.

##### **PFC Minutes Item 5.2 Middle East Regional Conference, March 2024, Saudi Arabia**

25 Proposal for organization the Middle East Regional Conference by the Saudi Arabian National Committee of ICID (SACID) in collaboration with Saudi Irrigation Organization (SIO) in March 2024 was already approved by IEC, 72<sup>nd</sup> meeting which was held in December 2021 (virtual). PFC recommended and IEC approved vide resolution 1/74 the proposed registration fee structure of the event as below in tabular form.

REGISTRATION FEE STRUCTURE (US\$)			
Event / Year / Venue	Middle East Regional Conference, February 2024		
		Early Bird	After Early Bird
Member Countries	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 250	\$ 300
Non-Member countries (fee for non-member delegates could be up to one and half times)	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 250	\$ 300
Young/Retired Professionals	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	Free	Free
Student Registration	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	Free	Free
Daily Registration	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	Free	Free
Accompanying Persons	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	Free	Free

**PFC Minutes Item 5.3      14<sup>th</sup> International Drainage Workshop, May 30 - June 1, 2024, Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan**

26. PFC noted and recommended the financial arrangements (as given below) for organization of the 14<sup>th</sup> International Drainage Workshop at Tajikistan in May 2024 already approved by the IEC in 2022 which was subsequently approved by the IEC vide resolution 1/74.

Venue / Year	Dushanbe, Tajikistan, May 30-June 1, 2024
Event	14 <sup>th</sup> IDW
Full Registration/Foreign Delegates	\$ 400
Non-Member Fee	\$ 500
Young Professional (International)	\$ 200
Young Professional (Local)/Student	
Local Delegates	--
Retired Professionals	\$ 200
Accompanying Persons	\$ 150
Daily Registration	--
Delegate from Low Income	--

**PFC Minutes Item 5.4      75<sup>th</sup> IEC and 9<sup>th</sup> Asian Regional Conference in Sydney, Australia, September 2024**

27. PFC noted the fee structure (as given below) for organization of the 75<sup>th</sup> IEC and 9<sup>th</sup> Asian Regional Conference (ARC) at Sydney, Australia in September 2024

REGISTRATION FEE STRUCTURE (US\$)			
Venue / Year	Sydney, Australia, September 2024		
Event	75 IEC + 9 <sup>th</sup> ARC		
		After Early Bird	Early Bird
Member Countries	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW+Council	\$ 880	\$ 825
	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 715	\$ 660
Non-Member Fee	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW+Council	\$ 990	\$ 935
	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 825	\$ 770
Young/Retired Professionals	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW+Council	\$ 440	\$ 385
	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 220	\$ 165

REGISTRATION FEE STRUCTURE (US\$)			
Venue / Year	Sydney, Australia, September 2024		
Event	75 IEC + 9th ARC		
		After Early Bird	Early Bird
Local Delegates	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 760	\$ 720
Student Registration	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 165	\$ 110
Daily Registration	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 220	\$ 220
Accompanying Persons	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW+Council	\$ 330	\$ 275
	Regional Conf./IMIC/IDW only	\$ 220	\$ 165

28. Dr. Dave Cameron, Chief Executive Officer, Irrigation Australia Ltd, vide his email dated 12 October 2023 informed to keep the registration fee structure for the 75th IEC meeting and 9th Asian Regional Conference, 1-7 September 2024, Sydney Australia same as approved by the IEC in 2022. He informed that due to cost escalation and other factors the conference dinner will be listed as a separate levy for the event and the proposed rate is USD\$180, reflecting the expected actual cost for the dinner. PFC after deliberation accepted and recommended the proposal of IACID to IEC, which was later approved by IEC in its meeting held on 8 November 2023 vide resolution 1/74.

**PFC Minutes Item 5.5      76th IEC and 4th WIF in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, September 2025**

29. PFC noted the financial arrangements of 76<sup>th</sup> International Executive Council and 4<sup>th</sup> WIF in May 2025 at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, as per Form A received from the MANCID, which was already approved by IEC in 2022. Registration fee structure is reproduced below in tabular form.

REGISTRATION FEE STRUCTURE (US\$)			
Venue / Year	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, September 2025		
Event	76 IEC + 4 WIF		
		After Early Bird	Early Bird
Member Countries	WIF/Congress + Council	\$ 800	\$ 750
Non-Member Fee	WIF/Congress + Council	\$ 900	\$ 850
Young/Retired Professionals	WIF + Council	\$ 400	\$ 380
Local Delegates	WIF/Congress	\$ 200	\$ 150
Student Registration	WIF/Congress	\$ 150	\$ 100
Daily Registration	WIF/Congress	\$ 200	--
Accompanying Persons	WIF + Council	\$ 300	\$ 250

**PFC Minutes Item 5.6      11th International Micro Irrigation Conference in the first week of April 2025, Baghdad, Iraq**

30. PFC noted the proposal of Iraqi National Committee of ICID (IRQCID) to organize the 11th International Micro Irrigation Conference (IMIC) in April 2025 at Baghdad, Iraq.

31. PFC also noted IRQCID proposed not to charge any registration fee from the delegates. PFC reviewed the proposal and recommend it to IEC for approval.

REGISTRATION FEE STRUCTURE (US\$)				
	Category	Participation type	Early Bird	After Early Bird
1	Member countries	WIF / Congress + Council	-	-
		WIF / Congress only	-	-
		IEC only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW + Council	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	Free	Free
2	Non-member countries ( <i>fee for non-member delegates could be up to one and half times</i> )	WIF / Congress + Council	-	-
		WIF / Congress only	-	-
		IEC only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW + Council	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	Free	Free
3	Young* / Retired professionals**	WIF / Congress + Council	-	-
		WIF / Congress only	-	-
		IEC only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW + Council	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	Free	Free
4	Local Delegates	WIF / Congress only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	-	-
5	Students Registration	WIF / Congress only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	-	-
6	Daily Registration***	WIF / Congress only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	Free	Free
7	Accompanying persons	WIF / Congress + Council	-	-
		WIF / Congress only	-	-
		IEC only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW + Council	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	Free	Free

**PFC Minutes Item 5.7      77<sup>th</sup> IEC and 26th Congress in Marseille, France, October 2026**

32. PFC noted the proposal and financial arrangement of French National Committee to organize the 77th IEC and 26th Congress in Marseille, France, October 2026 (as given below) and recommended to IEC for approval which was subsequently approved by IEC vide resolution 1/74. The fees have been recommended in Euros as the exchange rate variation over oncoming 3 years is difficult to predict whereas the expenditures will have to be made in Euros.



	Category	Participation type	Early Bird Registration Fee EUROS	Registration Fee after Early Bird Deadline EUROS
1	Member countries	Congress + Council	800	900
		Congress only	600	700
		IEC only		
2	Non-member countries	Congress + Council		
		Congress only	700	800
		IEC only		
3	Young* & Retired professionals (non delegates)**	Congress + Council	400	450
		Congress only	300	350
		IEC only		
4	Local Delegates	Congress only		
5	Students Registration	Congress only	150	175
6	Daily Registration***	Congress only		250
7	Accompanying persons	Congress + Council	270	340
		Congress only	180	230
		IEC only		

**PFC Minutes Item 5.8      78<sup>th</sup> IEC and 5th WIF, Beijing, China,**

33. PFC noted that WIF4 to be held in Beijing, China in April 2023 had to be rescheduled to 2027 in consultation with the Chinese NC (CNCID) due to prevailing COVID-19 situation in China at that time. CNCID informed that they will be submitting revised Form 'A' in due course of time after deciding about venue and other logistics arrangements.

**PFC Minutes Item 5.9      6<sup>TH</sup> Africa Regional Conference (ARC), from 14-18 April 2025, Abuja, Nigeria**

34. PFC noted and recommended to IEC for approval the following fee structure which was subsequently approved by IEC vide resolution 1/74.

REGISTRATION FEE STRUCTURE (US\$)				
#	Category	Participation type	Early Bird	After Early Bird
1	Member countries	WIF / Congress + Council	-	-
		WIF / Congress only	-	-
		IEC only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW + Council	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	400	450
2	Non-member countries (fee for non-member delegates could be up to one and half times)	WIF / Congress + Council	-	-
		WIF / Congress only	-	-
		IEC only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW + Council	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	500	550
3		WIF / Congress + Council	-	-

REGISTRATION FEE STRUCTURE (US\$)				
#	Category	Participation type	Early Bird	After Early Bird
	Young* / Retired professionals**	WIF / Congress only	-	-
		IEC only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW + Council	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	100	120
4	Local Delegates	WIF / Congress only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	50	55
5	Students Registration	WIF / Congress only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	15	20
6	Daily Registration***	WIF / Congress only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	100	120
7	Accompanying persons	WIF / Congress + Council	-	-
		WIF / Congress only	-	-
		IEC only	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW + Council	-	-
		Regional Conf. / IMIC/ IDW only	125	125

**PFC Minutes Item 6: Consider the audited accounts of ICID for the Financial Year 2022-23**

**PFC Minutes Item 6.1: Auditor's Report**

35. The Permanent Finance Committee (PFC) considered the Audit Report of ICID Statutory Auditor M/s Tarun Kandhari & Co. L.L.P., for the financial year 2022-2023 presented in Annex 1 page 47 of PFC agenda notes. PFC having been satisfied with the report and recommended that the Audit Report for the FY 2022-2023 submitted by M/s Tarun Kandhari & Co. LLP be approved by International Executive Council which was later approved by 74<sup>th</sup> IEC in its meeting which was held on 08 November 2023 vide Resolution 1/74.

**PFC Minutes Item 7: Budget and Expenditure for the Financial Year 2022-23**

**PFC Minutes Item 7.1: Comparison of budget estimates and actual expenditure for FY 2022-2023**

36. The Committee noted that there has been an overall deficit of Rs. 45.54 million (US\$ 562,242) against a deficit of Rs. 29.78 million (US\$397,084) predicted in the revised budget for the year 2022-2023. Increase in deficit is mainly due to reduced income in Membership Subscription and continued loss of rental income during the financial year 2022-2023.

**SPECIAL SUBSCRIPTION**

37. The Committee also noted that during the financial year 2022-2023 an amount of ₹ 0.41 million (US\$ 5,000) was received on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2023 as a Special Subscription for technical support to YP Activities from Japan National Committee of International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (JNCID), Japan. The Committee recommended and IEC recorded its appreciation for the Special Subscription remitted by the JNC-ICID.

**PFC Minutes Item 8: Budget proposals and forecasting for the current and coming years**

38. PFC noted with regret that inspite of best and sincere efforts by the ICID CO still there is no rental income since the past 28 months, and due to 100% loss in rental income, ICID had to make certain adjustments to its annual

budget and activities. Budget predictions for the future years 2024-25 will be amended if necessary after all contingencies are known.

39. PFC noted the budget for FY 2023-2024, the proposed budget for FY 2024-2025, preliminary budget for the FY 2025-26 and forecasts budget for FY 2026-2027 and recommended it to IEC for approval which was subsequently approved by IEC.

#### **PFC Minutes Item 8.1 Internal Transfers**

40. PFC Noted with appreciation that ICID is maintaining a Gratuity and Leave Encashment Fund which is treated in the Liability side of the Balance Sheet in every year. Even with the deficit, provision for Gratuity and Leave Encashment has been updated as per the applicable provisions of the relevant Acts under the Constitution of India. PFC also noted that the required amount has also been transferred and updated to these Gratuity and Leave Encashment Fund during the financial year 2022-2023.

#### **PFC Minutes Item 9: Status of redevelopment of ICID existing building.**

41. PFC noted that ICID Central Office premises was vacated by Yes Bank Ltd in June 2021, and despite sincere efforts to find a suitable tenant, the Covid-19 pandemic has made it difficult to find a suitable tenant. PFC noted that the vacant premises have impacted ICID finances and reserve funds, as rental income is a major contributor to the ICID's annual budgets, making revenues from other sources inadequate to meet basic expenditures. ICID had secured a proposal from M/s Bharati Enterprises Limited to fund the redevelopment and rebuilding of the ICID CO building, leveraging the increased Floor Area Ratio, so as to ensure long-term financial sustainability of ICID.

42. PFC also noted that a Special Meeting of the International Executive Council (IEC) on Redevelopment of ICID Building for Financial Sustainability held on 27 March 2023 through virtual mode approved the proposal for redevelopment of ICID CO building with the support of M/s Bharti Enterprises. PFC noted that the Central Office has approached the Land and Development Officer of the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India (L&DO) to seek permission for the redevelopment of ICID CO building and to lease out the permissible space to M/s Bharti Enterprises, post completion of the new building. Detailed note on the proposal is annexed as annexure 4 (page 19) of the IEC Agenda.

43. Secretary General, ICID informed the committee that in spite of lot of follow-ups with the L&DO, permission for redevelopment of ICID building and leasing of premises to M/s Bharti post redevelopment is yet to be received. SG further informed that now ICID CO is again exploring few active proposals for renting of the existing premises and is hopeful of finalizing renting agreement with one of the parties by the end of the year 2023.

#### **PFC Minutes Item 10: Surplus/Deficit and Cash Reserves**

44. The Committee noted that for the year 2023-24, the total Receipts was ₹ 30.19 million (US\$ 372,717) and Expenditure was ₹ 83.45 million (US\$ 1,030,301) resulting into a shortfall of ₹ 53.26 million (US\$ 657,584) is projected and shortfall of a sum of ₹ 19.49 million (US\$ 240,661) and ₹ 10.45 million (US\$ 129,048) are anticipated in the FYs 2024-2025 and 2025-2026 respectively. PFC also noted that this is mainly due to loss of rental income. PFC noted on the contrary a surplus of ₹ 20.85 million (US\$ 257,468) is anticipated in the FYs 2026-27 due to expected renting of vacant premises from September 2025 after development and receipt of share of registration fee from ICID events. PFC further noted that these projections are based on the redevelopment proposal and projections will change if redevelopment proposal is shelved and normal renting of premises is taken up.

45. The Committee noted that the total cash reserve at the beginning of the F.Y. 2023-2024 was only 18.79 million (US\$ 231,978), allowing for sundry debtors, bank balances and investments, which is about 22.52% of the annual expenditure budget for FY 2023-24 as compared to the previous year cash reserve of 44.00 million (US\$ 586,675) which was about 60.76% of the annual expenditure budget for 2022-23.

#### **PFC Minutes Item 11: Revision of membership subscription from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024.**

46. PFC observed that the Council in its 68th meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October at Mexico City, Mexico endorsed the PFC recommendation of revising the 1991 formulae being used at that time as given below. IEC also approved that the annual subscriptions rates shall be recalculated every three years during the meeting of IEC in a Congress year by taking into account cumulative inflation factor.

47. The approved revised formulae effective from 01st January 2018 is as given below:

$$S(2017) = \{1515 + \text{UNC} + 1900 A^{**0.35}\} \times \{\ln F\} \dots \{\text{for NC with } A > 9.35 \text{ M}\}$$

$$S(2017) = \{1515 + \text{UNC} + 1360 A^{**0.5}\} \times \{\ln F\} \dots \{\text{for NC with } A < 9.35 \text{ M}\}$$

Where,

- (i) S (2017) is the subscription in US \$;
- (ii) UNC, for countries paying UN contribution  
 $< 0.30$  per cent:  $UNC = 0$ .  
 $> 0.3$  per cent but  $< 0.6$  per cent:  $UNC = US \$ 725$   
 $> 0.6$  per cent but  $< 1.5$  per cent:  $UNC = US \$ 1450$   
 $> 1.5$  per cent but  $3.00$  per cent:  $UNC = US \$ 2900$
- (iii) A is the Weighted Benefitted Area calculated as follows:  
 Weighted Benefit area=  $IA + (0.5) * DA$ ..... if  $IA > DA$   
 Weighted Benefit area=  $DA + (0.5) * IA$ ..... if  $DA > IA$  and Irrigated Area (IA);

Drainage Area (DA)

- (iv) In F is the cumulative Inflation Factor for three years as obtained from the IMF DATA

48. PFC noted that the annual subscription was to be revised based on cumulative three years' inflation factor (InF) in 2020. From IMF data average inflation factor of the world for three years 2018, 2019 and 2020 were 3.6%, 3.5%, and 3.2% making total of 10.3% rounded to 10% for three years. So annual subscription amount was to be increased on an average by 6.5% for each active National Committee w.e.f. 01st January 2021. However, considering the COVID-19 Pandemic situation and problems faced by different NCs, 71st IEC based on recommendations of PFC approved to defer increase in annual subscription by a year, i.e. till 1 January 2022. Again, on the recommendation of PFC, 72nd IEC also approved postponing this increase in annual membership subscription by one more year till 01 January 2023 keeping in view the COVID19 pandemic, as a special case.

49. The committee noted the increase of annual subscription was discussed in detail in PFC meeting during 73<sup>rd</sup> IEC meeting at Adelaide in 2022 and after deliberation, PFC recommend to IEC to increase subscription rate by 6.5% from the year 2024, which was subsequently also approved by 73<sup>rd</sup> IEC in its meeting held on 10 October 2022 vide Resolution-1/73. PFC noted that as approved during 73<sup>rd</sup> IEC meeting, annual subscription will be increased by 6.5% from 1 January 2024.

## **PFC Minutes Item 12: Setting up a Task Force to look Financial Sustainability of ICID**

50. During the PFC meeting, keeping in view the gradual reduction in active membership/ withdrawal from membership of ICID in view of the financial constraints faced by some NCs, financial constraints being faced by NCs in organizing different types of ICID events, relevance of ICID to ICID members, loss of rental income of ICID and its associated impact on ICID revenues and activities etc., members proposed to set up a task force to examine long term technical and financial sustainability of ICID. After deliberation, the members suggested the following broad mandate and composition of the TF:

### **Mandate**

- (a) To examine the existing vulnerabilities of Income and Expenditure and to propose alternative models to be in place and new initiatives for improving income;
- (b) To review events structure for each type of event organized by NCs using the ICID brand in terms of financial arrangements of events including registration fee structures (Responsibilities and obligations of the organiser and ICID, Payment to ICID for sponsorship, publicity and services, Managing costs and minimising risks (attendance, currency etc.), Strategic learning from experience etc.);
- (c) ICID share of the revenues from the events
- (d) Review duration of annual IEC events in the light of financial implications
- (e) Method of calculating subscriptions for ICID Membership (Review and revise formulae for computation of membership fees for NCs, Review and propose revisions of fee structure for direct membership of ICID)
- (f) Review of Membership subscription structure and expected benefits to the member (Full country membership sponsored by the government, Full country membership not supported financially by the government, Direct membership by a representative NGO, Direct membership by an individual or corporate)

- (g) Widening the scope of memberships for bringing more players mainly private sector with financial strength
- (h) Increasing the value of ICID in technical terms for the members by bringing wider scope of subjects and cross technological areas into dialogue.

**Composition (subject to finalization)**

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| 1. President Dr. Marco Arcieri (Italy) (Immediate past PFC Chair) | - Co- chair        |
| 2. VP Dr. Bruno Grawitz   | - Co-chair         |
| 3. Dr. David Cameron (Australia)                                  | - Member           |
| 4. VPH Mr. Ian Makin (UK)   | - Member           |
| 5. VP Dr. Sylvester Mpandeli (South Africa)                       | - Member           |
| 6. VP Dr. Hj. Nor Hisham Bin Mohd Ghazali, (Malaysia)             | - Member           |
| 7. Dr. Gao Li Hui, (China)  | - Member           |
| 8. VPH Dr. Yalla Reddy (India)                                    | - Member           |
| 9. VP Mr. K. Vohra (India)  | - Member           |
| 10. Dr. Watchara Suiadee (Thailand)                               | - Member           |
| 11. Er. Ashwin B. Pandya Secretary General, ICID (India)          | - Member Secretary |

51. The proposal was subsequently discussed in the IEC meeting held on 8 November 2023 and IEC approved setting up of a Task Force on Long Term Financial & Technical Sustainability of ICID (TF-T&FS) vide Resolution IEC-1/74.

52. The TF should actively involve all the Vice Presidents in the process to undertake specific issues related to each sub-region and work as far as possible through virtual meetings. TF will report to PFC and will submit its report in next meeting of IEC to be held in September 2024 at Sydney through PFC.

