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**INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION ON IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE**

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**Subject: Establishment of Working Group on Land Drainage (WG-LDRG)**

In pursuance of the decision taken by the 71<sup>st</sup> International Executive Council (IEC) meeting vide its Resolution IEC-2/71, a Working Group on Land Drainage (WG-LDRG) with the following mandate is hereby established in accordance with Article 6.10 of the ICID Constitution and By-law 3.1 governing the setting up of workbodies.

**Mandate:**

- To promote drainage as part of integrated water resources management. In this regard exchange of information, knowledge and experience among the WG members in order to be up to date with new developments, methods and approaches. Prepare and present reports and/or case studies on recent developments in the countries that are represented in the WG; organise international drainage workshops,
- To collect and review manuals, guidelines, codes of practice and standards on drainage schemes of various countries and prepare universal draft standards,
- To promote sustainable approaches for drainage and related projects through a balanced integration of environmental, economic, and social and cultural aspects. In this regard nonconventional drainage methods such as bio-drainage, dry-drainage, controlled drainage and reuse of drainage water will be given due attention.
- To prepare an overview paper on the state of the art on the topic for publication in Irrigation and Drainage (IRD).
- To hold drainage conferences and workshops with collaboration of NCs and close collaboration to hold two International Drainage workshops (14th and 15th IDW).
- Collecting data of the World Drained Area and keep it updated through WG members and NCs information according to Goal E, Strategy E5 (Compilation of Global Data Sets on Irrigation and Drainage), Clause 5.3 (Datasets for Drainage Area) of Road Map of ICID Vision 2030.

The working group, initially established for a period of six-years, shall function under Strategy Theme 'Scheme' of Permanent Committee for Technical Activities (PCTA). WG will conduct its first meeting during 72<sup>nd</sup> IEC. WG-LDRG will prepare an action plan of the WG commensurate with the Roadmap to ICID Vision 2030 and the Chair of the WG shall report on its progress to IEC through PCTA during the annual Council meetings of ICID.

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