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COVID-19 plays further havoc - ICOLD 2020 New Delhi cancelled – now an internet event.

The 88th Annual Meeting of ICOLD was originally scheduled to be held in New Delhi, India 4-10 April 2020, first postponed to 26 September – 1 October 2020 and now the ICOLD Board has decided to reduce the event to a webinar General Assembly (equivalent of an AGM) on 30 November while the Symposium on Sustainable Development of Dams and River Basins organised by INCOLD, DRIP and CWC will be a hybrid (real and online) event to be held 24-27 February 2021 in New Delhi. Technical Committees, Regional Clubs and the Forum of Young Engineers are encouraged to organise their own videoconferences before the end of the year. Please check the ICOLD website for the latest updates and details.

SANCOLD Elections 2020.

Elections will be held for two places on the SANCOLD Management Committee in 2020. One third of the elected Committee stand down each year to allow for a core of experienced members on Manco (3 year term). The call for nominations for the two positions, one under 35 years while the other has no age restriction, have been circulated. The schedule is as follows:-

Activity	Date
Call for nominations	06 November 2020
Nominations close	20 November 2020
Ballots sent out with profiles of candidates	30 November 2020
Return of ballots	10 December 2020
Vote count	14 December 2020

Please consult the election document recently emailed to you.

We have tended to have a small percentage of our members voting so you are encouraged to help create a vital organisation by nominating and voting for Manco members who can carry the work of SANCOLD into the future. SANCOLD has always been held in high esteem by the ICOLD family and we need to keep it that way by active participation in the industry.

SANCOLD 2020 AGM

The SANCOLD 2020 AGM will be held online on Thursday 26th November at 18:00. The Agenda has been circulated and login details will be circulated some 3 days prior to the event.



Nkosinathi Dlamini

Congratulations to Nkosinathi Dlamini who was to receive his MSc degree from the University of Kwa-Zulu Natal in October. Nkosinathi was one of the five recipients to receive a scholarship from SANCOLD during 2019.

Obituary

SANCOLD regrets to note the passing on 23 September of Pieter van Rooyen one of the founding partners in the firm WRP. Although Pieter was never a member of SANCOLD his development and on-going support on systems analysis models for multiple dam networks brought him into close contact with many involved in the development and operation of these complex systems. His expertise will be sorely missed.

Our condolences are extended to his wife and family.

SANCOLD Conference 2021

SANCOLD will be holding their Annual Conference in Gauteng during November 2021 with the theme “**Resilient Dams in a Challenging Environment**”, and sub-themes covering a wide field. A full programme in addition to the SANCOLD AGM, YPF function, Gala Conference Dinner and study tour is planned. This promises to be a bumper event to make up for this year’s cancelled conference. Please start considering your concepts for papers.

Invitation from CHINCOLD to attend 13th Round Table and Technical Tour.

As part of Capacity Building and sharing of knowledge, CHINCOLD invited members of the African Club to the 13th Workshop and Technical Tour 15-21 November 2020 in Guangzhou City, China. This invitation was previously circulated. CHINCOLD has advised a revised programme as a result of the COVID-19 disruptions. The Technical Tour has been cancelled and the 13th Round Table Meeting on sustainable Development of Dams and Hydropower will be held online later in November.

More information about On-line Round Table Meeting will be available and announced soon. The latest updates will be accessible via CHINCOLD Cloud Platform

(<http://www.chincold-smart.com/en/index>).

SANCOLD Scholarship 2021

SANCOLD will again be offering a scholarship for MSc or Doctoral candidates studying in a field related to dams at a South African University. Closing date for applications is 11 December 2020. Details have been circulated and are available on the SANCOLD website.

New SANCOLD Publications

SANCOLD has recently completed a new brochure entitled “Your Tailings Dam” which will be of interest to those involved in the mining industry and can be downloaded free to members on the SANCOLD website.

Two further publications are in preparation – “Ecological Water Releases” is at an advanced stage while “Our Dam” which is an update and revision of the earlier “Your Dam” brochure is at an earlier stage of development.

SANCOLD YPF Training events.

The SANCOLD YPF has been busy with online webinars this year and will be hosting their third online event on Tuesday 17th November at 16:30-17:15. The presentation is “New SANCOLD Publication - Your Tailings Dam” to be given by Duncan Grant-Stuart who was co-ordinator and chief author of the publication. The webinars are not limited to YPF members but open to all SANCOLD Members. Details have been circulated but the YPF requests that members register by RSVP with name and membership number to ypf@sancold.org.za.

ICOLD News.

The Marseilles Congress will see the election of a new ICOLD President for the next three year term following the term of office of President Michael Rogers of the USA.

NEW PLANNING FOR NEXT CONGRESSES & ANNUAL MEETINGS

Due to the current geopolitical and epidemiological situation, the Board has decided, with the agreement of the National Committees concerned, to establish the following new schedule:

- The Congress of MARSEILLE (France) will take place in June 2021.
- The Annual Meeting of GÖTHENBURG (Sweden) will take place in June 2022.
- The Annual Meeting of NEW DELHI (India) will take place in April 2023.
- The ICOLD 2024 Congress will take place in one of two cities: CHENGDU (China), ADDIS

ABEBA (Ethiopia), pending the General Assembly vote of 30 Nov 20.

- The ICOLD 2025 Annual Meeting will take place in SHIRAZ (Iran).

ICOLD 2021 Marseilles

The 89th ICOLD Annual Meeting & 27th Congress will be held in Marseilles, France early in June 2021.

SANCOLD members have submitted the following four papers for the Congress.

Q 104 “Developments in Concrete Dam Engineering” by Q Shaw

Q 105 “Middle Lake Dam” by H Anderson and others.

Q105 “ Incidents and Failures of Small Earthfill Dams in South Africa: Lessons Learned’ by DJ Hagen and others

Q 107 “ Modelling and Projecting Effects of Sedimentation on Yield of Dams” by B Mwaka and others

There will also be a Symposium “Sharing Water: Multi purposes of reservoirs and innovations”.

The deadline for submitting papers to both events has already passed.

For full details please see

<https://cigb-icold2021.fr/en/>

And as always

URGENT: Updating Membership

Please inform the SANCOLD Secretary of changes in your e-mail address or other contact details. Please note also that SANCOLD is updating it’s membership lists and will be deleting members with outstanding membership fees in terms of Cl 6.8 of our Constitution. If in doubt, please contact the Secretary urgently.

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