

**AGENDA FOR THE TWELFTH MEETING OF THE
WORKING GROUP ON YOUNG IRRIGATION
PROFESSIONALS FORUM (WG-YPF)
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
11 September 2006: 09.00-12.00 hours**

Year of Establishment: 1993

Completion of the Mandate: 1999

Mandate

- *To provide an international platform for young irrigation and drainage professionals and to encourage and promote amongst the young professionals a high standard of professional development in the subjects of irrigation, drainage and environment.*
- *To facilitate the development, acquisition and wider dissemination of knowledge and information about irrigation, drainage, flood control and environment amongst the young professionals.*
- *To maintain and enhance links with national and international youth having interests in the related subjects or the activities relevant to ICID objectives.*
- *To educate young professionals about ICID's role, objectives, activities, structure, Constitution and Bylaws.*

Members : (1) Mr. Ali Reza Salamat, Chairman (Iran); (2) Mr. S.M. Belsare, Vice Chairman (India); (3) Ms. Nepveu de Villemarceau au Audrey, Secretary (France); (4) Dr. Hesham Kandil (Egypt); (5) Mr. Megat Johari Megat Mohd. Zoor (Malaysia); (6) Mr. Jong Min Park (Korea); (7) Mr. Ir. Maurits Ertsen (The Netherlands); (8) Mr. Tero Karkkainen (Finland); (9) Ms. E. O. Ogunniyi (Nigeria); (10) Dr. Nariman Shamsutdinov (Russia); (11) Ms. Jianxin Mu (China); (12) Mr. Bennie Grove (South Africa); and (13) Mr. Koji Inosaka (Japan).

Item 1 : Confirmation of the minutes of the 11th meeting of the WG-YPF held in Beijing, China, September 2005

Minutes of the 11th meeting held in Beijing, China were circulated. No comments have been received in the Central Office. The minutes may be confirmed, if there are no suggestions / modifications during the meeting.

Item 2 : Tenure of the Working Group

ICID By-law 3.3(b) stipulates that 'as the duration of the membership of a workbody is expected to be six years or less, the duration of the work to be undertaken by a temporary workbody should not exceed a period of six years'. As mentioned above, the workbody has already outlived its stipulated tenure of 6 years and is accordingly advised to wind up its current activity plan within next 3 years (2007, 2008 or 2009) at the maximum. Depending upon the extent and importance of unfinished work items or products with the workbody, the Council, upon the recommendation of the concerned Strategy Theme Leader and PCTA, may suitably extend the tenure of the workbody upto 2009. If needed, a new workbody with a new mandate, tenure and work plan may be recommended to be set up.

Item 3 : Review of the membership of the Working Group

As per minutes of the 11th meeting of WG-YPF held at Beijing, China, Mr. S.M. Belsare was elected as Vice Chairman of the WG-YPF by replacing Mr. Mohd Ali Fulazzaky (Indonesia), the then Vice-Chairman of WG-YPF as he was over 40 years old. Therefore, the name of Mr. Fulazzaky has been deleted from the members' list.

Attendance sheet of the members present during the last two meetings is attached as **Annex 1** The following members have neither attended the Working Group meetings in 2004 and 2005 nor contributed by mails.

1. Dr. Hesham Kandil, Egypt
2. Mr. Ir. Maurits Ertsen, The Netherlands
3. Mr. Tero Karkkainen, Finland
4. Ms. Nepveu de Villemarceau au Audrey, France

5. Mr. Megat Johari Megat Mohd. Zoor (Malaysia)
6. Mr. Jong Min Park (Korea)
7. Ms. E.O. Ogguniyi, Nigeria
8. Dr. Nariman Shamsutdinov, Russia
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Based on ICID by-laws 3.1.7 – Members of workbodies not contributing by their attendance/correspondence for two consecutive years shall be replaced in consultation with the respective National Committees. The Chairman will receive the opinion of the WG members to exclude those members who were neither present nor contributed through correspondence for the last two consecutive years. This issue will be discussed in the meeting. It may be noted that representation of a member of the working group by any other representative of the concerned National Committee is not deemed to be a contribution by the member concerned. Refer to Annex 1 of PCSPOA Agenda (page A-9) for further details.

No new nominations have been received for YPF membership by the Central office.

A. CONTINUING ITEMS

Item 4 : Review of the progress made by the National Committees in establishing Young Professionals Forum (YPF)

As already mentioned in the previous meeting of the Young Professional Forum, 23 National Committees have established their YPF.

The Chairman, will communicate with the National Committees of Canada, Pakistan and Ghana to establish their YPF's and will apprise the progress made in this concern.

Mr. Shamsutdinov as a member of the YPF Working Group was supposed to apprise the progress of establishing YPF in his country (MOSCOW) but since neither him nor his representative were present in YPF meeting in Beijing, this matter was left for the chair to follow.

Mr. Salamat will update the members on the progress made.

Item 5 : Review of the progress on preparation of a directory of Young Professionals

Mr. Belsare as the Vice-Chairman of the WG-YPF will apprise the progress made as far as the YPF directory of the Indian National Committee is concerned.

All members of the Working Group were requested to update their directories and have to send them to the Chairman, enabling him to proceed compiling the entire directory for ICID. The members will report on the progress made.

Item 6 : Establishment of a Network of Young Professionals

The members of the working group suggested new items to be included in the YPF website (such as defining the procedure of becoming a member of the working group, minutes of all meetings, etc). The items will be included in the YPF homepage by the Chairman and Mr. Salamat will demonstrate the new website during the meeting in Kuala Lumpur. Some members of the working group have been invited to update their contacts. The chair will also apprise the progress, made in this concern

Item 7 : How to activate YPF

It was suggested that each YPF member could be involved in at least one additional Working Group of ICID. Some of the members have shown their interest. Others will update the WG on their interest and measures taken in this respect.

The next suggestion for the YPF was to get involved in their National Committees. A brief report on this issue and the activities carried out will be presented by each member.

Item 8 : Time targeted plan of the Group activities

The time targeted plans are being updated continuously. New proposals and activities presented by the members will be highly received.

Item 9 : Translation of outcomes of various current activities

The YPF member will report on the new publications translated by the YPF's of their National Committees. YPF members will be advised to send a copy of the translated publications to ICID Central Office to be kept in its archive.

Item 10 : Greater efforts by YPF members to evolve a permanent mechanism in their countries for encouraging the potential authors to prepare and submit papers for ICID Journal

Several scientific papers have been prepared and submitted for ICID Journal by the young professionals. The members will feedback on further publicizing this item within their National Committees.

Item 11 : Registration of YPF members on YPF website (YPF Group)

As suggested during the 10th and 11th meeting of the Working Group, which was held in Moscow (2004) and Beijing (2005) respectively, the YPF members were invited to join the YPF Group which has a link on the YPF website. All YPF members were requested to publicize this activity within their National Committee to attract more members. This group will enable the members to share the news related to Seminars, Conferences, etc. that all YPF's could benefit.

Item 12 : Summary report of the YPF on "Use of Land and Water for Food and Environment Sustainability – Role of Young Professionals", held at Beijing, China, 12 September 2005

The Chairman will present a brief report on the outcomes of the YPF workshop held in Beijing, China, 12 September 2005.

Item 13 : Action required for increasing the issues of the YPF Newsletter

So far the WG-YPF has published 2 Annual Newsletters (2004 & 2005). The electronic files of these documents have been uploaded on the YPF website. All YPF members will be requested to send news related to the YPF of their country carried out by their National Committees that are to be included in the forthcoming Newsletters.

Item 14 : YPF's participation in the 4th Asian Regional Conference and 10th International Seminar on Participatory Irrigation Management (PIM) in Tehran, Iran, May, 2007

The 4th Asian Regional Conference and 10th International Seminar on PIM will be held in Tehran, May 2007. This event is being organized by the Iranian National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage (IRNCID). All YPF members are invited to attend this event. Special offers have been considered for the young professionals to attend this conference, such as excluding registration fees, low accommodation charges during the Conference, etc. This will encourage YPF's participation.

Item 15 : YPF's proposal on articles that could be published in GRID magazine of IPTRID

During the eleventh meeting of the Working Group, the representative of IPTRID (Ms. Sara Fernandez) provided a brief on IPTRID's activities and articles published in GRID magazine to the YPF members. She also invited the members of the WG to prepare and send their papers to be published in the IPTRID's magazine.

Item 16 : Encouragement for participation of Young Professionals in WatSave Awards

YPF Watsave awards are considered for the best works (innovations) carried out by the young professionals (under 40 years) in the field of water saving techniques, devices etc. All YPF members are encouraged to present their works by meeting the criteria defined by ICID. Further discussions will be made during the meeting and the WG will come to a unique decision for a better contribution by the YPF's.

Item 17 : Any other business

WORKING GROUP ON YOUNG IRRIGATION PROFESSIONALS FORUM (WG-YPF)**Attendance of Members at 2004 and 2005 Meetings**

Sr. No.	Members	Member from	2004		2005	
			Self	Contributed by mail	Self	Contributed by mail
1.	Mr. Ali Reza Salamat, Chairman (Iran)	2000		•	•	
2.	Mr. Sanjay Belsare, Vice Chairman (India)	2003	•			
3.	Ms. Nepveu de Villemarceau au Audrey, Secretary (France)	2002				
4.	Dr. Hesham Kandil (Egypt)	1998				
5.	Mr. Megat Johari Megat Mohd. Zoor (Malaysia)	1998				
6.	Mr. Jong Min Park (Korea)	1998				
7.	Mr. Ir. Maurits Ertzen (The Netherlands)	2002				
8.	Mr. Tero Karkkainen (Finland)	2002				
9.	Ms. E.O. Ogunniyi (Nigeria)	2002				
10.	Dr. Nariman Shamsutdinov (Russia)	2003				
11.	Ms. Jianxin Mu (China)	2003	•		•	
12.	Mr. Bennie Grove (South Africa)	2003				
13.	Mr. Koji Inosaka (Japan)	2003				