APPENDIX XXII [PCTA Item 4.1.2]

Minutes of the Eighteenth Meeting of the
ICID JOURNAL EDITORIAL BOARD (EB-JOUR)
Tehran, Iran
17 October 2011: 13:30-17:00 hours

Year of Establishment: 1994

Mandate:

- To ensure with the (Joint) Editor(s) that the Journal is published in accordance with editorial policies;
- To select and recommend to IEC, through PCTA, the appointment of (Joint) Editor(s), Associate Editors and Members;
- To review and update editorial policies when required, to conform with the developing ICID objectives;
- To address and resolve issues pertaining to the Journal;
- To review guidelines for authors, manuscript reviewers and book reviewers and liaise and coordinate with ICID workbodies.

Members Present: (1) President Hon. Prof. dr. Bart Schultz, Chairman (The Netherlands, 2002); (2) Dr. Gerhard Backeberg represented Prof. Machiel F. Viljoen, Associate Editor (South Africa, 2009); (3) Mr. Bernard Vincent, Associate Editor (France, 2010); (4) Dr. Graziano Ghinassi represented Prof. Daniele de Wrachien, Associate Editor (2010) (Italy, 2001); (5) Vice President Hon. Larry D. Stephens (USA, 2001); (6) Prof. Dr. Muhammad Arshad represented Dr. Muhammad Latif (Pakistan, 2002); (7) Dr. Jin-Yong Choi represented Vice President Hon. Prof. Kwun, Soon-Kuk (Korea, 2003); (8) Prof. Dr.-Ing. Klaus Röttcher represented Prof. Dr. Joachim Quast (Germany, 2004); (9) Dr. Yohei Sato (Japan, 2009); (10) Prof. Dr. Mohd. Amin bin Mohd. Soom (Malaysia, 2009); and (11) Dr. Vijay K. Labhsetwar, ICID Central Office.

Observers: (i) Vice President Dr. Willem Vlotman (Australia); (ii) Ir. Saraz Barnous (Iran); (iii) Dr. Mohammad Javad Monem (Iran); and (iv) Dr. Takao Masumoto (Japan).

Website: <http://www.icid.org/wiley_journal.html>

Item 1 : Confirmation of the minutes of 17th meeting of the Editorial Board

The minutes of the 17th meeting of the Editorial Board held in October 2010 at Yogyakarta (Indonesia) were confirmed.

Item 2 : Review of the membership of the Editorial Board

Prof. Dr. Kristoph-Dietrich Kinzli (USA) has actually started working as Associate Editor, preceding final approval in this meeting. EB-JOUR recommended that he be accepted as Associate Editor.

The acceptance of Dr. Moshin Hafeez (Australia) was postponed.

The Iranian National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage (IRNCID) had nominated Dr. Mohammad Javad Monem (Iran) for the membership of EB-JOUR and the German National Committee (GECID) had nominated Dr.-Ing. Klaus Röttcher (Germany). Both nominees attended the meeting and expressed their commitment to the work of the Editorial Board. Therefore, EB-JOUR recommended that they be accepted as members of the Editorial Board.

The Japanese National Committee (JNCID) has nominated Dr. Takao Masumoto as Associate Editor. Dr. Masumoto attended the meeting and expressed his commitment to the work of the Editorial Board. Therefore, EB-JOUR recommended that he be accepted as Associate Editor.

2.1 Term of members

At the occasion of the Tehran meeting, Dr. Ir. Indreswari Guritno (Indonesia) and Prof. Dr. Joachim Quast (Germany) stepped down from the Editorial Board. The meeting expressed its appreciation for the work that they have done for the Editorial Board.

Item 3 : Reports (from Editor, Chairman etc.)

The report of the Chairman for 2010 was disseminated before the meeting. Various points emerging from this report were presented and discussed during the meeting. Some interesting points were:

- the impact factor has been reduced from 1.108 in 2009 to 0.552 in 2010. For the first time, a five year impact factor has been determined. This factor is: 0.852;
- most cited paper up to 2010: Hamdy, Ragab, Scarascia-Mugnozza : 'Coping with water scarcity: water saving and increasing water productivity' (*Special Issue published in March 2003, Volume 52.1*);
- most accessed paper up to 2010: Nobumasa Hatcho, Shiro Ochi and Yutaka Matsuno: 'The evolution of irrigation development in monsoon Asia and historical lessons' (*Special Issue published in February 2010, Volume 59.1*);
- IRD is now available in 3,600 libraries worldwide.

3.1 Special Issues

In 2010, there were no sponsored Special Issues.

This year there will be one sponsored Special Issue on *Deltas in Europe - Integrated water management for multiple land use in flat coastal areas.* There will be an editorial and 16 papers that have been selected and reviewed based on the papers that were submitted to the 25th European Regional Conference in Groningen, the Netherlands. The Special Issue will be mailed in December together with the regular issue 60.5. The sponsor is Rijkswaterstaat.

In 2012, we may expect two sponsored Special Issues, they being:

- One Special Issue based on selected and reviewed papers that were submitted to the 24th European Regional Conference in Orleans, France;
- One Special Issue based on papers that have been prepared by members of the Working Group on Sustainable Development of Tidal Areas.

In addition there will be a Special Issue in the regular series, based on selected papers of the ICID congress in Tehran (2011).

3.2 Two ICID pages per issue

Central Office prepared the two pages on a regular basis.

3.3 Book Reviews

Prof. Daniele de Wrachien (Italy) prepared a review of the book – "*Water in Central Asia: Past, Present and Future*" by VPH Prof. Victor A. Dukhovny and Joop L.G. de Schutter.

3.4 French resumés

All French resumés were checked by Mr. Bernard Vincent (France) after final approval of the papers. The EB expressed its thanks to Mr. Vincent for his continued support.

3.5 Recognition to the reviewers

The reviewers of 2010 have been recognised in the first issue of 2011. The reviewers of 2011 will be recognised in the first issue of 2012.

3.6 Best Paper Award 2011

In 2010, 50 papers had been published. Out of these the best paper had been selected by the Chairman, the Joint Editors and the Associated Editors. The Best Paper Award was a citation plaque along with a cash prize of either £ 250, or £ 400 – in the form of Gift Books (Wiley Publications), and the awardees had an option to choose. The '*Best Paper Award 2011'* will be presented to the winner during the IEC meeting on 23 October 2011 in Teheran, Iran.

The Best Paper Award 2011 has since been awarded to Messrs Yanbo Huang, Guy Fipps, Stephan J. Maas, and Reginald S. Fletcher (USA) to the paper titled "*Airborne Remote Sensing for Detection of Irrigation Canal Leakage*" published in Volume 59, No. 5 (December, 2010).

Item 4 : Distribution of the Journal among the ICID membership

Under the third Agreement with M/s Wiley-Blackwell for the period 2009-2013, each National Committee receives ten copies - online + print, or online only - of each issue of *Irrigation and Drainage* for free. In addition, one online access of each issue for each individual who is an incumbent, or active honoraire office bearer, or an active member of an ICID work body will be provided. In addition each individual member of a National ICID Committee is entitled to receive an online only, or an online + print subscription at the special discounted ICID member subscription fee. The hard copies are sent by M/s Wiley directly to the National Committees.

The Central Office compilation (2011) covering all categories show that there were 294 online (only) subscriptions, 273 subscriptions as online+print and 319 as print only subscriptions (Total = 886). In addition, National Committees had taken about 450 subscriptions at a special discounted ICID individual member rate.

Item 5 : Issues related to M/s Wiley-Blackwell

5.1 Improved information on Manuscript Central

Consultations had been held with M/s. Wiley-Blackwell on the improvements in the Manuscript Central System, especially focussing on:

- automatic warning to Joint editors when a new or revised paper has been received;
- fully automatic handling of papers and reviews in the system;
- automatic reminders to invited reviewers when no answer is being received within a certain period;
- more facilities based on further discussion between the chairman and the joint editors.

It may be expected that within about two months the improved system may be operational.

5.2 List of key words to M/s. Wiley-Blackwell for upgrading the manuscript central system

Based on the terms in the Multi-lingual Technical Dictionary of ICID, keywords had been submitted to Wiley, to be used in the improved system for the handling of papers.

5.3 Open Access Publication

During the meeting in Yogyakarta there was a discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of open access publishing. This may become actual when the present Agreement with Wiley-Blackwell expires by the end of 2013. Prof. Dr. Nick van de Giesen made some enquiries. This was followed by an overview as prepared by the Chairman that was circulated shortly before the meeting. In this overview, alternative options were compared:

- present practice;
- open access publishing by Wiley-Blackwell;
- open access publishing by ICID.

In this comparison, the following aspects had been considered: submission of papers, review process, publishing, promotion, subscription, revenues and miscellaneous. The overview was presented by the Chairman and discussed among the members. The members can send their comments to the chairman up to mid December 2011. Based on

these comments and the comments by MT-JOUR and Wiley-Blackwell, the Chairman will improve the overview. Final decision will have to be taken at the next meeting in June 2012 at Adelaide, Australia.

5.4 Follow-up of Agreement with M/s. Wiley-Blackwell after expiry of the present Agreement by the end of 2013

The present Agreement with M/s. Wiley-Blackwell expires by the end of 2013. This implies that by 2012 a decision has to be made with respect to a continuation with M/s. Wiley-Blackwell and in what mode of publishing (present practice, or open access) or, when no agreement can be reached to change to another publisher, or in house publication. The comparison as presented under 5.3 will have to play an important role in decision making.

Item 6 : Any other business

The Chairman thanked the members for all their hard work for the Journal and looked forward for a good future cooperation.