

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE EUROPEAN CLUB OF NATIONAL COMMITTEES OF ICOLD 2016

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Note: Individuals in **bold** letters were **present** at the meeting

Special Invitees from non-European Countries: Satoru Ueda (Japan) and John Pisaniello (Australia)

0.- Welcome to new representatives and Approval of Agenda Items

President Mazzà welcomes the representatives of 19 countries of the Board present in the meeting. The agenda is approved including a shift in the order, to allow the guests from World Bank to be the first presenter.

1.- Approval of Minutes of the previous meeting. Stavanger (Norway). June, 2015.

Minutes of the 2015 Board Meeting are unanimously approved

2. World Bank Global Dam Safety Study Launch and EurCOLD by Satoru Ueda (WB)

*Mr. Ueda kindly presents (**PRESENTATION 1** attached) the Global Dam Safety Study undertaken by the World Bank, and asks National Committees of EurCOLD for potential collaboration in documenting case studies (Mr. Ueda and Mr. Pisaniello are included in the distribution list for further inquiries).*

2.- Overall Report, by President Mazzà

- 2.1. - Comments on the state-of-the-art of EurCOLD
- 2.2. - Manifesto on Dams and Reservoirs: action plan for dissemination

*President Mazzà presents his report on EurCOLD (**PRESENTATION 2** attached) as well as the updated edition of the Manifesto (**PRESENTATION 3** attached), including a request to Ireland and UK representatives (Mr. **Brian O'Mahony** and Mr. **Andy Hughes**) to review the English before the final edition of the EurCOLD Manifesto, which is kindly accepted. The final edition will be formally presented in Antalya in the frame of the 10th EurCOLD Symposium. Hence, it is kindly asked to receive the reviewed version within September 2016.*

3.- Activities of the Active European Working Groups. Presentations from the Chairs.

Mr. Laasonen, leader of the WG on Management of Dam Incidents; Mr. Oostinga, representing Mr. Rémy, leader of the WG on Levees Levees and Flood Defenses have reported on the activities of the EWGs. The activities have been unanimously approved by the Board, which shows satisfaction for the level of effort in innovation, knowledge transfer and promotion of the activities in progress.

Mr. Fry, leader of the WG on Validation of Seismic analyses, has presented a workshop on seismic analysis assessment that will be held in St. Malo (France) at the end August/beginning September.

PRESENTATIONS 4, 5 and 6 document the activities presented by Mr. Laasonen, Mr. Oostinga and Mr. Fry.



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4.- Report on the 2016 European Club Dam Symposium from the organizers (Turkish Committee).

*Mr. Dincergok, on behalf of the Turkish Organizing Committee of the next EurCOLD Symposium, updates the Board with scientific and logistic details (**PRESENTATION 7** attached). President Mazzà express his appreciation for the efforts and encourages all Board members to attend the Symposium and the Board meeting to be held in Antalya next October.*

5.- New “Ad hoc” task forces. Proposals.

No proposals were presented.

6.- New European Working Groups. Proposals.

No proposals were presented.

7.- Other activities: international courses by ICOLD Vice-Chair José Polimón and Gerald Zenz, workshops, meetings, etc.

*ICOLD Vice-Chair José Polimón and Mr. Zenz present the activities of SPANCOLD and ATCOLD on dam safety and operation training (**PRESENTATION 8 and 9** attached)*

8.- Suggestions: possibility of officially arranging European Working Groups working sessions during annual meetings, promoting questions for ICOLD congresses, web site issues, etc.

No particular proposals were presented. President Mazzà express once more, on behalf of the Board, the appreciation for the work performed by the Portuguese Committee to host and maintain the Club WebSite.

9.- Election of EurCOLD President for the period 2017-2019.

After a brief explanation by both candidates of the main point of their program, Jean Jaques Fry (11 votes) is elected versus Anders Isander (8 votes). President Mazzà and the entire Board really thank both candidates and congratulates Mr. Fry, who will be in charge of the Board for the period January 1, 2017 until December 31, 2019.

10.- Miscellaneous aspects

The Greek Committee kindly advanced its willingness to organize the EurCOLD Symposium. It was highly appreciated by the Board who will start the process for an open call for organizers so that a final decision can be made next year (Board meeting in Prague, 2017).

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President

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