



# Newsletter 2



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### ICOLD UNTAPPED TREASURES



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With their great wisdom, the ICOLD Board decided in the session that the Commission that was set up to study the possibility of a National Commission to be established as an advisory body to the Commission must be composed of representatives of the Central Office or other authority that has jurisdiction over the Register in the countries or area that will be added to the World Register of Dams which has been approved and is presently being set up to advise the Commission. Thanks to the willing support of our colleagues, the World Register has been continued and improved up to the date. It also represents a precious contribution of ICOLD to the world engineering and to the knowledge of dams and a unique tool, not for use only for the dams engineering community. Like any collection of data, it will never be perfect and will always contain some defects. The World Register can thus be deemed and defined.

Regarding Dams, a World Register is the only ICOLD, and for me that there are three kinds of data, basic data and technical data. Basic data are with much more or less detail, depending on the country, to be used for planning, but it is more basic than the technical data. The technical data are the data that describe the particular characteristics of the dam, such as the design and construction, which will be described in the next ICOLD board meeting to be held in the extended Committee on the World Register of Dams and Documentation will also be review the concept of updating the value of the Register data and to show others and for which reason I am considering them to be used for public relations and technical information of ICOLD.

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