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ICOLD ON THE FRONT LINE FOR DEVELOPMENT

At the beginning of 2007, with high water levels in the Pacific, the challenges that are faced by the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) to be achieved by 2015. Different international agencies (UNEP, UNEP, UNEP, UNEP) are being asked to improve water in drinking water and food security, but there are no sufficient resources, and there are significant needs, mainly in Sub-Saharan Africa, where all types of water have to be taken into account.

The case of Africa is well known. Twenty years of the population has doubled, with urban concentrations, the high, the Great Lakes, the Nile, the Congo, and the Sahara. This situation combined with low dam 7% of the hydroelectric potential is a significant problem. Available in water resources are not a sustainable for the next several years.

Building the world water and electricity problems is a multidimensional issue, and it requires a holistic approach of the Integrated Water Resources and Energy Management. All kinds of potentials (small, medium, large, small, and large) are being developed, but there are still many large-scale (and small) are not being developed. It is necessary to have a holistic approach to the water, energy, and food security, and to have a holistic approach to the water, energy, and food security, and to have a holistic approach to the water, energy, and food security.

It is therefore the aim and mission of ICOLD to promote and develop water and hydroelectric in the developing world. Africa being the priority. ICOLD and its 88 National Committees represent more than 100 years of experience, with more than 1000 professionals and experts in the field of dams. There are also 12 Technical Commissions, in which approximately 100 experts participate, supported by the knowledge base of the 400 years of technical, scientific, social and environmental water or dam projects. Through ICOLD, we have a global, international organization, government and other stakeholders, to help achieve the sustainable development vision.

ICOLD should be able to assist in the development of the dam. This is why we are working together to improve ICOLD, and to be a global body for cooperation with United Nations organizations. On the global water forum, we have a role to play, and we hope to be able to support ICOLD's mission.

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