

Memo from the ILEC Scientific Committee Meetings

– On the occasion of the 12th World Lake Conference –

Date: 29th October, 30th October, and 2nd November 2007

Venue: Hari Mahal Palace Hotel, Jaipur, India

Funding Source related Issues

- Prof. Nakamura and ILEC Secretary General, Mr. Uda to discuss to find funding sources/corpus funds for projects --- financial status of ILEC has been very tight.
- ILEC Secretary General, Mr. Uda to certain amount of money stands and to establish approaches to private companies in the region.
- ILEC needs to specify the purpose of use of money >> it must present specific and tangible outputs/outcomes of projects
- A suggestion to assign each member in each region for fund raising or to assign some members annually for fund raising
- ILEC to mobilize some funds
- ILEC secretariat to ensure distribution of project outcomes toward Shiga prefectural government, Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and inform what ILEC has been working on and contributing to Japan's international environment cooperation. Outcome and achievement report is vital to have them acknowledge the influence and meanings of our activities. This should enable to hummer out funds and financial support from them.

ILEC Publications

Journal, Lakes and Reservoirs (LRE)

- ISI: ILEC secretariat to contact and push Wiley-Blackwell to accelerate the procedure
- To complete the list of sponsored subscribers:
 1. ILEC secretariat to send the list of 156 sponsored-subscribers to all the ILEC SciCom members.
 2. Going through the list, each member to send information about persons/institutes/organizations to be added to the list to ILEC secretariat.
 3. ILEC secretariat to organize the recommendations and to send the completed list to Wiley-Blackwell.
- Suggestion to make a Memorial issue of ex-sciicom members who passed away, e.g., Dr. Völlenweider, Dr. Löffler, and Dr. G. White, Dr. Goda, Dr. Overbeck, Dr. Wetzel, Dr. Sabhasri, Dr, Straskraba, and Dr. Williams

Guideline Books

- ILEC's publications should be used and presented more in better/creative ways.
- ILEC's guidelines should be used effectively in training programmes as textbook.
- Translation to key languages in each area, e.g., Russian in Central Asia, Francophone in West Africa, Telugu in India etc.
- The guideline books are a little outdated --- can be used as supplemental material.

GEF-LBMI Main Report

- The Report should be translated into some key languages.

World Lake Vision

- Need to be discussed between Prof. Nakamura and Dr. Matsumoto on format of translation including cover design, logo, on the back cover
- Regional activity, significant activity, each lake vision

WLCs

- Organization City/Country after WLC14
 - Oceania? --- New Zealand (contacts of Magadza)
 - Malaysia showing interest (contacts of Nakamura)
 - Canada (contacts of Robarts)
 - Need to solicit proposals
- Small scale regional conference, e.g. conference in Mexico proposed by Alejandro (Latin American Lake Conference?) --- Alejandro to submit a proposal of meeting in 2015 to Prof. Matsui
- Kasumigaura Prize related matters
 - Possibility to organize Kasumigaura Prize Winners' session >> It would be difficult since each paper's title/category varies.
 - Prizewinners' papers can be titled as "prize winner" in LRE.
- JICA-ILEC follow-up sessions?

Proposals and Activities

- ILBM-training course started 2 years ago. The 3rd year is crucial. Dr. Ballatore to contact each member on training modules, contents etc., which needs to be reflected into training course. ILEC scicom members may be able to establish 1-week-course.
- SciCom members to attend conferences/meetings/workshops in each region as "ILEC"
- Any member to organize a short training programme? --- Depending on the local/regional background, the contents will be changed.
- Collaboration with other NGOs such as ICLEI?
- NGO sector is huge
- GEMS/Water report "Water Quality Outlook Database"
- ILEC database must be re-built