



**International Network of Water Training Centres
Réseau International des Centres de formation
aux Métiers de l'Eau**

Constitutive Assembly of the Network

Paris 19-21 November 2008

Constitutive Charter

PREAMBLE

The Participants of the Constitutive Assembly of 19th and 20th of November 2008 in Paris,

- Recognising
 - o that the supply of water for the population, health, hygiene and domestic uses and also for agricultural production, has always been a major stake for mankind,
 - o that today, more than ever, the objectives related to drinking water supply and sanitation services, in particular, are one of the major priorities for development, especially through the United Nations "Millennium Development Goals" which aim, among other things, at reducing by half the percentage of the populations not having sustainable access to healthy water and sanitation by 2015,
- Conscious that the operators of water utilities all around the world, being today either public, private or mixed, develop new infrastructures and try to improve the quality of their services to meet the needs of the users, by reinforcing the operation, maintenance and renewal of their facilities,
- Considering that this implies better governance of the utilities themselves, capacity building and increasing human resources,
- Convinced that professional training is an essential tool to achieve these goals,
- Willing to reinforce exchanges between water training organisations and promote co-operation between.

Have agreed upon the following:

ARTICLE 1: *Creation*

The participants create between them and with any other equivalent organisation which would like to join later the International Network of Water Training Centres, hereafter called provisionally "INWTC".

The official working languages of the Network being French, Spanish and English; the Spanish name of the Network is "Red Internacional de Centros de Capacitación en Agua" with the acronym "RICCA", and its French name is "Réseau International des Centres de Formations aux Métiers de l'Eau" with the acronym "RICFME".

ARTICLE 2: *Objectives*

The International Network of Water Training Centres aims at:

- developing appropriate and lasting relations between the interested institutions and at promoting among them the sharing of experience and know-how,
- increasing awareness on the significance of professional training on water in development strategies and programmes
- promoting its account taking by the concerned national and international authorities,
- strengthening co-operation and the relationships with the main bilateral and multilateral donors or the international institutions involved in the development of the water sector,
- encouraging the dissemination of good practices and innovations in the vocational training in the water sector ,
- promoting innovative training, in a context of amelioration of quality and costs of water and waste water, irrigation or environmental management services,
- facilitating the development of common tools and training materials to reinforce efficiency of Water Training Centres,
- supporting the development of new water training centres,
- developing a platform for competencies and human resources in the field of water and sanitation services,
- evaluating the undertaken actions and at disseminating their outcomes.

ARTICLE 3: *Activities*

To achieve these goals, the INWTC will undertake the following activities:

- organisation of regular meetings, conferences, symposiums, workshops, study visits,
- development of joint projects among the members, such as publications of guides, development of methodologies ...
- creation of websites or any other communication supporting tool,
- organization of information exchange regarding technologies, devices and technical and administrative solution in water sector worth to be promoted and implemented
- development of an assessment and emulation system internally for awarding centres best practices,
- participation to conferences and international events,
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ARTICLE 4: *Organisation of the network, legal status*

The Network is an opened and flexible body relying on the principle of free adhesion and of the shared willingness of its members to work together.

It hasn't immediately proper legal entity, nor a status of international organisation, but is merely governed by this Charter of Membership.

A legal body could be created, if necessary, of the non-profit-making association kind, during a forthcoming general assembly.

ARTICLE 5: *Members of the Network*

The Network is open to:

- training Centres or institutions for Water Professions, either national, regional or international, public or private, and to water sector institutions making use of their services,
- governmental administrations in charge of water or of vocational training in their respective country,
- bi or multilateral co-operation organisations supporting development actions for the integrated management of water resources and community water supply and sanitation or irrigation utilities and which support vocational training programmes in these sectors.

The candidates become members as soon as they have applied to enter the Network by signing the "CONSTITUTIVE CHARTER".

Administration of the Network: the Network activities are decided by consensus between the members, who designate among them a Liaison Bureau, composed of the serving President, the secretary and members, nominated according to a good geographical representation of all the continents.

ARTICLE 6: *Rights and obligations*

The Members benefit from all products and services (proceedings of the meetings, educational and management documents, directories, advices and Web services, etc.)...

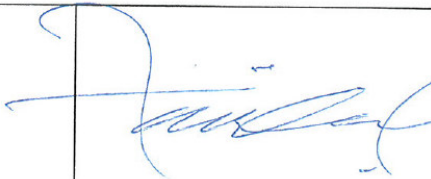



The Members commit themselves to collaborate in the activities of the network for achieving its objectives and have as obligations to contribute to the network operation by actively participating in the co-ordination meetings, organisation of assemblies and events, in the activities as well as joint programmes organised by INWTC.

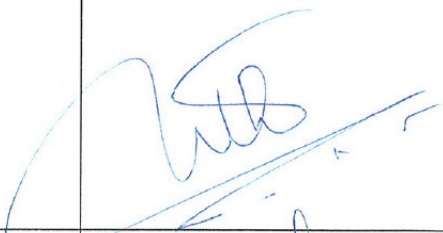

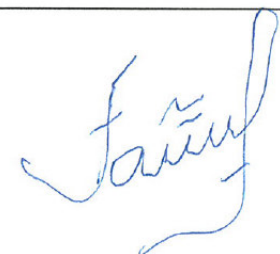

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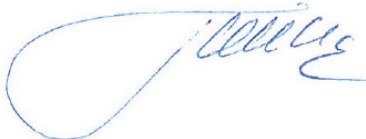


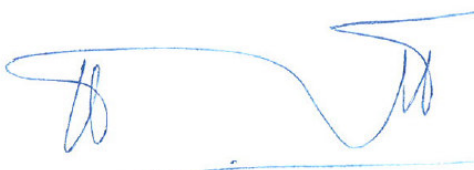

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Paris, le 20 Novembre 2008

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