



MEETING REPORT

Report on the meeting of the board of the European club of ICOLD, September 2010

A brief report of the meeting of the board of the European club of ICOLD, which took place in Innsbruck, Austria in September 2010.

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The board of the European club of ICOLD met at the University of Innsbruck in September 2010.

The minutes of the meeting in Brasilia were agreed. The following items were decided

- (a) the president for the next 2 years, from the 1 January 2011, will be Professor José Polimon from Spain
- (b) the new secretary will be Professor Ignauo Escuder-Bueno from the Polytechnic University of Valencia in Spain.

Grateful thanks were expressed to Mr Antonio Soriano who had served as secretary for 12 years. The twenty-first member of the European Club was elected, with Greece joining the board. The place for the next meeting of the Club, which would be in 2013, was not decided.

Five working groups are operating and were discussed.

- (a) Floods in Europe. The work of the group has been completed and so the group is to stand down and may be restarted in a few years time.

- (b) Internal erosion. The next meeting of the group will be in April 2011 at the University of Brno in the Czech Republic. The Draft Bulletin on filters is to be completed by 2012, the updated bulletin on geomembranes by 2013 with all information transferred to ICOLD by 2013.
- (c) Dam legislation. The work is now available on the website of the European Club.
- (d) Dam safety of existing dams. This committee continues to work slowly with two chapters available on the website. It is considered that the work will be complete in 2 years' time.
- (e) Public safety. A questionnaire has been sent to the country members and it is thought that the work of the committee will be complete within 1 year.

The following new working groups were prepared and are under consideration

- (a) sub-terrain reservoirs
- (b) implementation of EU directives.