

European Regional Conference 2009 at Lviv, Ukraine

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1st Announcement for the ICID 23rd European Regional Conference 2009: Progress in Managing Water for Food and Rural Development,

Under the theme “Progress in Managing Water for Food and Rural Development” the European Regional Conference will focus on specific problems of the integrated management of water and land resources, environmental problems of water systems under influence of drainage and irrigation, management of irrigation and drainage systems, protection of water resources, including protection against flooding, global climate changes of the Central and the East Europe countries. In frames of the conference a Young Professional Forum and results of the UNESCO German Ukrainian joint project on the development of the Dniester region will be presented.

For the recognising of these challenges the Conference “Progress in managing for food and rural development” will be articulated around of 4 thematic topics:

Topic 1: Integrated Management of Water and Land Resources

- EU Water Framework Directive and its realization by European countries
- Preservation and conservation of water resources
- Technologies of research, institutional reform and legislative base in irrigation management
- Implemented and proposed processes (frameworks, methods, indices)

Topic 2: Irrigation and Drainage

- Operation and maintenance irrigation and drainage systems in Europe
- Transformation and rehabilitation of irrigation and drainage systems
- Sustainable management of water and land resources

Topic 3: Flood Management

- Flood emergency management
- Flood modelling and risk analyses for polder systems management

Topic 4: Monitoring and Evaluation

- Ecological stability of reclaimed areas
- Landscape-reclamation zoning
- Role of water resources in climate changes
- Control of soil degradation processes

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