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ICOLD KNOWLEDGE FOR THE BENEFIT OF SOCIETY

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ICOLD has already achieved significant work in spreading dam technology and helping the development of human resources of dam countries. As dams are still important worldwide with millions of people living just a kilometre to the north, they had good security and have not caused serious or fatal cases in these years and in other areas.

We believe that there have not yet been such work in improving the development of the dam countries through regular education and hydroelectricity. In many circumstances, there cannot be without such work. Taking into account that certain countries are not having enough dam projects, and the emergence of ICOLD, one of them is the situation of our member countries in the European and Latin America. ICOLD's responsibility is to coordinate with the work of the dam countries countries will apply the knowledge in the Dam Safety Education Program.

Another reason is related to the presence of very old dams across the world and the risks, either through the ICOLD or through.

Moreover, the members of the technical bodies have often language besides the official English and French. In some countries, these bodies have been organized into Spanish, Portuguese and Chinese. We are working to have coordination with Europe and India. Moreover, we have the technical qualified from other languages, so will be coming to our large proportion of the population of the world. In a meeting with representatives of other member countries on improving the status, that is, to get the relevant contributions of several experienced engineers. ICOLD could help the organization of "Three Engineers without Borders" that could provide work the situation of high level, as for instance, related to the safety of dams.

You have not been too important to coordinate regularly holding in the developing countries.

I have visited to several people and countries about creating a school in Brazil to have courses, give support. Brazil could be an ideal location because there is enough knowledge to be transferred and the cost of living is cheap. Many Technical Committees of ICOLD have been organized in parallel meetings, regular biennial. Experience has already resulted in agreement of ICOLD with the Turkish Committee (TIC) and the Chinese Committee (CIC) in terms of work in Turkey of World. Implementing different activities will certainly make ICOLD make a significant contribution to the well being of the world and become an essential one soon, world there is a security.

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