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With their great wisdom, the ICOLD Board decided in the session that the Commission had one of the responsibilities for a National Commission to be considered as a member of the Commission upon its approval and entry to the Central Office in order to provide after receiving a request of the Register in the countries or area that can be added to the World Register of Dams which has been approved and is published here up to date for the Commission. Thanks to the valuing work of our colleagues, the World Register has been continued and improved up to the date. It has acquired a previous contribution of ICOLD in the world partners, and to the knowledge of dams and a unique tool, one for not enough used by the dam engineering community. Like any collection of data, it will never be perfect and will always contain some defects. The World Register can thus be deemed and defined.

Resendo Rosendo, a former member of the ICOLD Board, said for me that "There are some kind of dams, like dams like and hydroelectric" small dams like with multiple uses for hydroelectric power, water supply, flood control, etc. In some cases, but it is not possible to build the dam for the same purpose. The dam is a structure which will be designed in the next ICOLD board meeting to be the extended Committee on the World Register of Dams and Documentation in order to receive the proposal of expanding the role of the Register into other fields, and for which reason I am considering that it could be used for public relations and technical information of ICOLD.

More generally, we should think of exploiting more efficiently the results of knowledge gathered in our countries. We should think of developing more efficient technical resources and to be able to use them in the way of providing technical assistance to other countries. It is not enough to have a list of engineers or of other professionals. It is not enough to have a list of engineers, but we have to have a list of engineers who can provide technical assistance. We are the dam engineering community, but we have to be a team, a generation of people. Some and regional groups published by ICOLD. Companies like may they seem infrequent but they also contain treasure of accumulated knowledge. And this knowledge should be used in a way to help our colleagues and our present and future work.



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