

International Committee

Terms of Reference

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Purpose To oversee all aspects of CDA's international strategy and engagement, including ICOLD, agreements with national committees of ICOLD, international business development (IBD) program and other international activities.

Specific objectives include:

- Broadening the knowledge of Canadian professionals through CDA member involvement in ICOLD Technical Committees and other international initiatives.
- Creating opportunities to showcase Canadian advances and expertise in safe and sustainable practices related to water-retaining and mining dams.
- Providing a forum for young professionals to build networks in the international community.

Membership The elected Director-at-Large for ICOLD will be the Chair. The Chair is responsible for recruiting Committee members.

Reporting The Committee is accountable to the Board. Reporting shall be done by the Chair, formally at the spring and fall meetings of the Board. The report should include activities and deliverables, work plan and expenditures, as well as lists of:

- Committee members
- CDA representatives to ICOLD Committees
- International agreements or memoranda of understanding
- CDA representatives to other international agencies or committees

Mandate

1. Represent Canada at ICOLD:
 - a) Be primary contact with ICOLD Central Office
 - b) Encourage CDA members to share information and knowledge at ICOLD events
 - c) Disseminate information between ICOLD and CDA members
 - d) Recruit and oversee Canadian representatives for ICOLD Technical Committees
 - e) Oversee CDA representation on Francophone and INCA meetings
 - f) Develop CDA positions for input to ICOLD decisions
 - g) Manage CDA participation at ICOLD events
2. Develop and maintain an International Strategy, for approval by CDA Board of Directors, to guide planning and implementation of CDA's international engagement.
3. Coordinate requests from outside Canada for CDA involvement, consistent with the International Strategy. Appoint CDA representatives, in consultation with other relevant CDA committees (e.g. Dam Safety, Mining Dams, Professional Development) as appropriate.
4. Develop and manage funding opportunities from the Government of Canada (e.g. GOA) and other sources.

5. Develop and maintain agreements with ICOLD national committees and other international agencies.