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77th IEC (INTERNATIONAL EXECUTIVE COUNCIL) MEETING

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Water and agricultural resilience in the face of climate change

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A message from Dr. Marco Arcieri, ICID President

Dear friends,

It is my great honour and a real privilege to announce the 26th ICID International Congress and the 77th IEC Meeting, which will be held from 12 to 17 of October 2026 in beautiful Marseille, France. The French National Committee on Irrigation and Drainage, former AFEID, now EAT - Eau, Agriculture et Territoire, has a long history and a prestigious tradition in ICID, being one of the first to join the Organization, starting from year 1953.

Since then, it has always been playing a very active role in our activities, both at the national and at the international level. Hence, given this notable involvement and the remarkable contribution given to our organization, allow me as President of ICID to warmly invite you to participate to these two very important events. I truly believe that participating to this Congress will allow a deeper understanding of crucial issues such as Climate Change, contribute to the discussion on the use of Artificial Intelligence in irrigated agriculture, acknowledge the possibilities offered today by most recent innovations and technologies such as reuse and desalination. Besides, of course, having the opportunity to network with some of the most distinguished experts, scientists, and researchers in the world, working in the field of sustainable water resources management, irrigation and drainage. The main theme of the Congress will be “WATER AND AGRICULTURAL RESILIENCE IN THE FACE OF CLIMATE CHANGE”, postulated by means of different questions and articulated through various sessions.

Notably, as almost two-third of the farmland in the world depends on rainwater, climate stands as the primary factor affecting crop productivity. Climate change is therefore a major constraint, impacting agriculture both directly and indirectly.

This is why addressing the climate crisis requires drastic changes, which call for radical transformation and rethinking of traditional agricultural systems, as we know them now. There’s no doubt that achieving water and food security will necessitate a new, modern kind of irrigated agriculture. Hence, we need to ask ourselves, how can modern irrigation and proper management of drainage systems contribute to this agro-ecological transition? And this Congress, I believe will be the right occasion. Modern irrigation and drainage techniques can significantly contribute to agro-ecological transitions by introducing new farming systems, capable of enhancing soil health, and promoting sustainable water management practices.

As a matter of fact, Marseille is a beautiful, lolling, fascinating city with a rich history, a vibrant culture, and a very diverse character. It's the second biggest city in France, and its location on the Mediterranean Sea create a unique, coastal atmosphere. I am sure that the ICID French National Committee EAT will leave nothing to chance, nor anything unexploited, for the success of this event, providing learning and hospitality at its best, surely delivering a memorable experience. For this purpose, EAT has been arranging very interesting programmes for the accompanying persons, as well as several exciting study tours for the participants, including places of cultural importance and historical heritage.

Hence, for these reasons but not only for these, allow me once again to convey my warmest invitation to all ICID member countries, to Academicians, International Organizations and political leaders all over the world dealing with water use and food security issues, to participate to the 26th ICID International Congress and the 77th IEC Meeting, as well as to visit the Exhibition that will be held in beautiful Marseille, France, next October. I will be looking forward to engaging in thoughtful discussions and exchanging opinion with You, collaborating with fellow participants to debate on some of the key issues the Congress will address. I will be looking forward to meeting You all there.

Dr. Marco Acieri, ICID President

A message from Bruno Grawitz, EAT President & ICID Vice-President

Dear participants,

Marseille will host the 26th International Congress of ICID and the 77th International Executive Council Meeting from 12 to 17 October 2026. This major event takes place in a global context marked by increasing tensions surrounding water management, food security, and the impacts of climate change.

Under the theme “Water and agricultural resilience in the face of climate change” the congress will bring together stakeholders from across the globe – researchers, engineers, institutions, public decision-makers, NGOs, and civil society representatives – to share knowledge, innovations, and experiences on the core challenges of irrigation and drainage.

These topics have never been more relevant. Irrigated agriculture, which covers only 20% of cultivated land, produces nearly 40% of the world's food while accounting for 70% of global water consumption. In a world facing population growth, resource scarcity, soil degradation, and climate change, managing water effectively has become a key condition for agricultural resilience.

This congress is resolutely action-oriented. It will offer a moment to assess and discuss available levers: agro-ecological transitions in irrigated agriculture, use of non-conventional water (reuse of wastewater and desalination of sea water), technological innovations (intelligent irrigation management, remote sensing, high-performance equipment), new forms of international cooperation and public policy, etc. — all essential tools to support the transition towards efficient and sustainable agricultural systems.

The choice of Marseille as host city is a meaningful one. As a Mediterranean city at the crossroads of cultures and climate issues, it embodies both the tensions and opportunities of water management in constrained environments. With its dynamic research ecosystem and strong commitment to sustainability, Marseille also provides fertile ground for dialogue and innovation. he congress is organized by Eau, Agriculture et Territoires, a collaborative platform that brings together experts, researchers, engineers, and farmers around agricultural water issues.

The association actively contributes to the dissemination of best practices and the promotion of French expertise, both nationally and internationally, particularly through its leadership of the Scientific and Technical Committee on Agricultural Water.

We wish you all a congress rich in exchange, collective reflection, and concrete perspectives for building tomorrow’s solutions — together.

Welcome to Marseille, welcome to the 26th ICID Congress!

Bruno Grawitz,
President of Eau, Agriculture et Territoires &
ICID Vice-President

About ICID

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International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (ICID)

ICID, established in 1950, is a leading scientific, technical, not-for-profit Non-Governmental Organization (NGO). Through its network of professionals spread across 100 countries, ICID has facilitated sharing of experiences and transfer of water management technology for more than six decades. ICID promotes policies and programs to enhance sustainable development of irrigated agriculture through a comprehensive water management framework.

ICID is a knowledge sharing platform dedicated to issues related to the entire spectrum of agriculture water management practices ranging from rain-fed agriculture to supplemental irrigation, land drainage, deficit irrigation to full irrigation. In addition, drainage of agricultural lands forms the core theme of our activities. Floods and drought – the two extremes of increasingly variable climate as a result of potential climate change – also form the focus of activities.

Mission

To work together towards sustainable agriculture water management through inter-disciplinary approaches to economically viable, socially acceptable and environmentally sound irrigation, drainage and flood management.

Vision

Water secure World, free of poverty and hunger achieved through sustainable rural development.

National committees of ICID (42)

	Country	Committee		Country	Committee
1	Australie	IACID	22	Maroc	ANAFIDE
2	Bangladesh	BANCID	23	Myanmar	MNCID
3	Canada	CANCID	24	Népal	NENCID
4	Chine	CNICID	25	Niger	ANID
5	Egypt	ENCID	26	Nigéria	NINCID
6	Estonie	ESTICID	27	Pakistan	PANCID
7	Finlande	FINCID	28	Philippines	PNC-ICID
8	France	E.A.T. (Eau, Agriculture et Territoires)	29	Portugal	PNCID
9	Géorgie	GENCID	30	Russie	RUCID
10	Hongrie	HUCID	31	Arabie Saoudite	SACID
11	Inde	INCID	32	Afrique du Sud	SANCID
12	Indonésie	INACID	33	Corée du Sud	KCID
13	Iran	IRNCID	34	Espagne	CERYD
14	Irak	IRQCID	35	Sri Lanka	SLNCID
15	Irlande	IRCID	36	Soudan	SNCID
16	Italie	ITAL-ICID	37	Tadjikistan	TAJNCID
17	Jamaïque	JAM-ICID	38	Thaïlande	THAICID
18	Japon	JNC-ICID	39	Turquie	TUCID
19	Kazakhstan	KAZCID	40	Ukraine	UACID
20	Malawi	MALCID	41	Ouzbékistan	UZNCID
21	Malaisie	MANCID	42	Zimbabwe	ZWCID

Committees of ICID (1)

	Country	Committee
1	Chinese Taipei committee	CTCID

For more information, please visit: https://icid-ciid.org/member/national_committees

About Eau, Agriculture et Territoires (EAT)

Eau, Agriculture and Territoires (en: Water, Agriculture and Territories) (formerly AFEID) is a non-profit association, established in 1952, and headquarterd in Montpellier, France.

Eau, Agriculture et Territoires is also the French committee of the International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (ICID).

The association brings together professionals in sustainable water management for agriculture and more generally water in rural areas: researchers from French research centers (INRAE, CIRAD and IRD), engineers from French regional development companies (SCP, BRL and CACG), representatives of agricultural technical institutes (Arvalis), Aix Marseille University (AMU) as well as farmers, former civil servants from the Ministry of Agriculture, representatives of the Chamber of Agriculture, and various other experts.

Its initial vocation is to be a think tank on issues relating to agricultural water in France and internationally around the various problems of irrigation and drainage (technical, agronomic, social and institutional, economic, environmental), but also the sharing and sustainable management of water and soil (agroecology).

Eau, Agriculture and Territoires is a place for consultation, exchanges and debates between the world of civil society which expresses legitimate social, economic and environmental concerns, the world of research which proposes solutions on a scientific basis, the world of engineering which develops tools to support these solutions, irrigators, who are responsible for the implementation of these proposals, and that of political and administrative decision-makers, who are responsible for defining and implementing public policies.

26th International Congress on Irrigation and Drainage

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ICID has been organising its flagship International Congress on Irrigation and Drainage since 1951.The first ICID Congress was held in 1951 in Delhi and so far, ICID has organised 25 Congresses across the globe (find more details here), the 26th International Congress of ICID & 77th International Executive Council (IEC) meeting to be held from 12 to 17 October 2026 in Marseille (host), France.

The Congress focus on the upcoming issues that need to be addressed in irrigation, drainage and flood management. The Congress also provides a platform for reviewing a number of contentious issues concerning the future of irrigation water in relation to increasing demands for competitive uses of water.

The 26th ICID International Congress on Irrigation and Drainage and 77th International Executive Council (IEC) Meeting will be organized by Eau, Agriculture et Territoires (E.A.T.) in Marseille, France. During the Congress, the papers will be presented and discussed answering the Congress three Questions 66, 67 & 68. In addition, Special Sessions, International Symposium, Training Workshops, Side Events etc. will be as part of this mega event.

This major event takes place in a global context marked by increasing tensions surrounding water management, food security, and the impacts of climate change.

Theme

Under the theme "**Water and agricultural resilience in the face of climate change**," the congress will bring together stakeholders from across the globe – researchers, engineers, institutions, public decision-makers, NGOs, and civil society representatives – to share knowledge, innovations, and experiences on the core challenges of irrigation and drainage.

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Organising Committee

The Organising Committee is responsible for planning, coordinating, and delivering the ICID Congress, ensuring a high-quality, inclusive, and impactful event in close collaboration with ICID and its global partners.

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ICID President, Marco Acieri
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Mr. Nicolas Roche, EAT
Dr. R.K. Gupta, SG, ICID

Host National Organising Committee

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Communication	Héla Gasmi
Technical visits	Vincent Kulesza Bruno Grawitz
Logistic support	Héla Gasmi François Brelle
Volunteer coordinator	Héla Gasmi François Brelle

Scientific Committee

Sub-themes

Question 66:

In the face of climate change, how can irrigation and drainage contribute to the agro-ecological transition?

Agroecology is now widely recognized as the design and implementation of sustainable agriculture based on ecological principles. It embraces a holistic, multi-scale, and multi-actor approach to reshape food systems in response to environmental, economic, and social challenges.

Traditionally, irrigation and drainage—both surface and sub-surface—have been used to manage water availability, by bringing water in the absence of rain and removing excess water when rainfall is too abundant. These tools are often associated with input-intensive and environmentally harmful agro-industrial systems, seemingly distant from agroecological principles.

However, in the face of climate change, both irrigation and drainage should be reconsidered not merely as tools for intensification, but as key components of climate-resilient and ecologically grounded systems. As such, they can be reframed as nature-based solutions that stabilize yields, improve soil health, reduce environmental impacts, and support diversified production.

Emerging research—although still limited—suggests that these water management practices can actively contribute to agroecological transitions, especially when combined with traditional knowledge and practices adapted to local contexts. Policy and economic instruments will also play a crucial role in encouraging this shift, by aligning incentives with long-term sustainability goals.

Despite their potential, the links between agroecology and irrigation remain underexplored: as of April 2023, only 38 scientific articles explicitly connect the two. Often, irrigation is mentioned superficially, without in-depth analysis of its transformative role.

This congress seeks to address that gap. It invites researchers, practitioners, and policymakers to explore how irrigation, surface and sub-surface drainage, and nature-based water solutions—when guided by agroecological principles—can help build sustainable, inclusive, and resilient food systems for the future.

Sub-questions

Q. 66.1:

At the plot, landscape, and watershed scales, what processes are involved in the interaction between irrigation/drainage and agroecology, and how might we model them?

Q. 66.2:

At the farm, territorial, sectoral, and food system levels, what are the characteristics of irrigated/drained agroecological systems and the methods for supporting the agroecological transition of irrigated/drained systems?

Sub-themes

Question 67:

Innovative technology and practices for increasing water use efficiency: Irrigation management and services, remote sensing, irrigation equipment,...where do we stand ?

In a context of increasing water scarcity and climate uncertainty, improving water use efficiency in agriculture has become both a necessity and an opportunity. Technological innovations—ranging from irrigation scheduling tools to smart equipment and remote sensing—offer promising pathways to optimize irrigation and reduce water consumption.

Today, a wide array of irrigation practices and scheduling strategies are available to help farmers apply the right amount of water, at the right time, and in the right place. These include precision irrigation, deficit irrigation, and smart irrigation systems that integrate soil, crop, and weather data to guide decisions.

Remote sensing technologies—using satellite, optical, thermal, and radar imagery—are increasingly accessible and can support real-time irrigation management at the field or territorial scale. When combined with in situ sensors and crop models, they help monitor plant stress, soil moisture, and evapotranspiration dynamics with greater accuracy.

Modelling also plays a key role in designing irrigation strategies, projecting water demand under different scenarios, and assessing the trade-offs between robustness and performance. These tools are essential for improving forecasting, decision support, and risk management in water-limited conditions.

Yet, beyond technology, the uptake of these innovations depends on effective governance frameworks. Water pricing and policy instruments must align with sustainability goals to encourage the adoption of efficient irrigation systems and discourage wasteful practices.

Sub-questions

Q. 67.1:

Irrigation practices and technologies at the plot and farm levels reflect individual skills, objectives, decisions, and philosophies. How can these be evaluated and improved?

Q. 67.2:

At the territorial scale, irrigation water management is jointly influenced by agricultural, economic, environmental, and regulatory drivers. How can the decision-making process be explained and improved?

Sub-themes

Question 68:

Non-conventional water (REUSE, desalination): can we really loosen the grip on the resource and for what uses?

Water scarcity constitutes one of the most pressing challenges of the 21st century. Intensifying pressures on freshwater resources—driven by climate change, demographic expansion, and rising food demand—underscore the necessity of exploring non-conventional water sources, including wastewater reuse and desalination, as central components of water management strategies, particularly in arid and semi-arid regions such as the Mediterranean.

Globally, agriculture remains the dominant water-consuming sector, with an estimated annual withdrawal of 11,200 billion m^3. This demand encompasses approximately 2,000 billion m^3 of blue water (surface and groundwater), 8,400 billion m^3 of green water (rainwater), and 800 billion m^3 of grey water (polluted return flows from agricultural activities). In regions characterized by acute water stress, notably the Mediterranean basin, enhancing water-use efficiency and diversifying water supply sources, with non conventional resources, represent critical measures to ensure long-term sustainability. Within these issues, human, social and economic considerations continue to represent a critical determinant.

The reuse of a treated wastewater represents a viable strategy to reduce pressure on conventional freshwater resources while fostering the principles of a circular economy. Such reclaimed water can be applied in agricultural irrigation, aquifer recharge, as well as in industrial and urban applications. Similarly, desalination constitutes an important non-conventional water supply option, particularly in coastal regions; however, its deployment requires careful evaluation due to its significant energy requirements and potential environmental and public health impacts.

Sub-questions

Q. 68.1:

In the context of watereuse (REUSE), how can integrated, interdisciplinary, and territorial approaches contribute to overcoming sociological, economic, and regulatory obstacles?

Q. 68.2:

How can a desalination strategy be designed and developed to specifically meet agricultural needs, both in quantitative and qualitative terms?

Call for papers

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Abstracts and papers are invited from policy makers, professionals, academics, researchers, experts, and scientists from both public and private sectors.

Submissions must be made through the ICID Congress 2026 submission platform, which will open on November 15, 2025. The authors' guidelines will also be available on the official website.

Schedule for submission of abstracts/full papers	
Call for abstracts	November 15th, 2025
Abstracts submission Deadline	February 15th, 2026
Notification of abstract acceptance	February 28th, 2026
Deadline for full paper	May 31st, 2026
Early Bird Registration deadline	May 31st, 2026
Regular Registration Deadline	October 1st, 2026
ICID 26	October 12th to 17th, 2026

Preliminary programme

Subject to changes

	Morning							Afternoon						
Monday, October 12	Opening Ceremony Political forum			Exhibition				Side Events	Congress Parallel Sessions			Special Sessions COSTEA	Exhibition	
Tuesday, October 13	Side Events	Congress Parallel Sessions	Technical Visits	Symposium	Special Sessions COSTEA	Exhibition		Side Events	Congress Parallel Sessions	Technical Visits	Symposium	Special Sessions COSTEA	Exhibition	
Wednesday, October 14	Congress Wrap up		Side Events	ICID Meetings	Special Sessions COSTEA	Exhibition		Side Events	ICID Meetings			Special Sessions COSTEA	Exhibition	
Thursday, October 15	Technical Visits		ICID Meetings		Special Sessions COSTEA			Technical Visits	ICID Meetings			Special Sessions COSTEA		
Friday, October 16	ICID Meetings							ICID Meetings						
Saturday, October 17	ICID Meetings							ICID Meetings						

Lunch break

Health breaks are planned every day in the morning and in the afternoon.

ICID Meetings: Work Body Meeting, PCTA meeting, IEC meeting

COSTEA: Scientific and Technical Committee for Agricultural Water

Political Forum

Monday, 12th October 2026, morning

Opening the 26th ICID World Congress, the **International Forum on Agricultural Water Policies** will address the key question:

How public water policies can help agriculture meet the climate challenge?

Organized by **Eau, Agriculture et Territoires (EAT)** – the French National Committee of ICID – the Forum will highlight how nations can adapt agricultural water management to climate change.

The Forum aims to **share experiences, successes, and challenges from different countries and regions**, with the goal of producing a **reference document of scientific and operational value**, contributing to ongoing international discussions such as the World Water Forum, COP30 on climate change, and the United Nations Water Conference.

Target speakers include the President of the World Water Council, Mr. Loïc Fauchon, a number of ministers responsible for agricultural water (Spain, France, Morocco, Senegal, Tunisia, Egypt, China, etc.), the European Commissioner in charge of water or agriculture, a representative of the Conference of the Parties, the President of French Regions and President of the Southern Region "Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur" Mr. Renaud Muselier, senior representatives of financial institutions and international cooperation organizations (General Director of the French Development Agency, Word Bank, African Development Bank, Asian Development Bank, FAO, etc.), and other influential figures.

The Forum will consist of **two hours of short presentations** followed by a **half-hour round-table discussion with questions from the floor**. As the opening session of the Congress, it will introduce and frame the key issues that will guide the discussions throughout the event.

The ICID 2026 International Political Forum will embody the convergence of the **Sustainable Development Goals – SDG 2 (Zero Hunger)**, **SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation)**, **SDG 13 (Climate Action)**, **SDG 15 (Life on Land)**, and **SDG 17 (Partnerships)**. It will serve as an intermediate milestone between COP30 and the United Nations Water Conference, on the road to the 2027 World Water Forum and UNCCD 2027.

Through **COSTEA**, its scientific and technical committee for agricultural water, and in collaboration with ministries in nine partner countries, **EAT connects local expertise, continental debates, global platforms, and multilateral diplomacy**, contributing to the development of resilient and sustainable agricultural water policies worldwide.

Technical visits

Tuesday and Thursday will be devoted to technical visits in the region to illustrate the themes.

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Side events

In addition to the main sessions of the 26th ICID International Congress, a series of side events will be organized to complement the scientific and technical programme.

These events will provide an opportunity for partners, institutions, international organisations, research networks, and private actors to highlight specific initiatives, share expertise, and present collaborative projects related to agricultural water management.

Venue

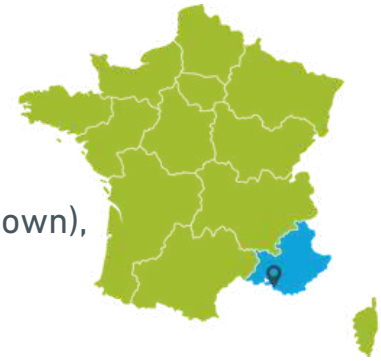
A Strategic Venue in the Heart of Marseille

Marseille Chanot, officially known as the Palais des Congrès et des Expositions, is one of the largest and most accessible event venues in Southern France. Located in the city's 8th district, just steps from the iconic Stade Vélodrome and a short metro ride from the Old Port, the venue benefits from direct public transport access and is ideal for hosting congresses, exhibitions, trade fairs, concerts, and international events.

An Internationally Recognized Event Hub

Marseille Chanot meets the highest international standards in infrastructure, safety, accessibility, and digital connectivity. Each year, it hosts:

- Scientific congresses (dermatology, oncology, sports medicine, etc.),
- Professional trade fairs (boating, real estate, innovation, energy),
- Cultural and public events (Japan Expo Sud, concerts, festivals),
- Institutional & political events (e.g., G7 Environment Ministers' Summit, European forums).



Ideal Location

- 30 min from Marseille-Provence Airport (direct shuttle to downtown),
- 15 min from Saint-Charles Train Station (via Metro Line 2),
- Quick access from major motorways (A50, A7, A55),
- Metro stop "Rond-Point du Prado" right next to the venue.

Palais des congrès et des expositions Marseille-Chanot

Rond Point du Prado
13 008 MARSEILLE – France

Be part of the congress

Key Figures*

+1500
Delegates

251
Abstracts submitted

18
Parallel Sessions

+50
Countries

**25th ICID Congress (Visakhapatnam, India, November 2023)*

DELEGATE

Over 1,300 participants from more than 50 countries are expected to attend, representing a wide range of government and non-governmental organizations, including policy makers, program managers, scientists, agri-business representatives, and members of ICID National Committees, international organizations, government agencies, NGOs, research institutions, consultancy firms, universities, and civil society.

SPONSOR / EXHIBITOR

This vibrant and diverse audience makes the Congress a strategic platform for dialogue, innovation, and action.

We invite you to join us in shaping the next generation of solutions by becoming an exhibitor or a sponsor of this unique event.

Let's connect, collaborate, and innovate—together.

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Registration

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HOW TO REGISTER ?

Registration **will open soon.**

Keydates to remember:

- Early bird registration deadline: 31st May 2026
- Deadline for authors registration: 31st May 2026
- Standard registration : from 1st June 2026 and onsite

Participants are encouraged to register as early as possible to benefit from the best rates and preferably no later than 1st October.

What is included in the registration?

FULL REGISTRATION (Congress + ICID/IEC Meetings) includes

- Access to the Opening and Closing Ceremony, political forum, congress parallel sessions, side events, special COSTEA sessions and symposium
- Access to all ICID meetings (Work Body Meeting, PCTA Meeting, IEC Meeting)
- Access to the Exhibition
- Lunches and coffee breaks from 12th to 17th October 2026
- Final programme (digital format), web app
- Congress proceedings (digital) or abstract book

CONGRESS REGISTRATION (Congress ONLY) includes

- Access to the Opening and Closing Ceremony, political forum, congress parallel sessions
- Side events, Symposium and special COSTEA sessions on 12th – 13th and 14th October
- Access to the Exhibition
- Lunches and coffee breaks on 12th – 13th and 14th October
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CONGRESS DAY REGISTRATION (Congress ONLY)

The congress day registration passes include the above on the nominated day only : Monday 12th October, Tuesday 13th October or Wednesday 14th October 2026

ACCOMPANYING PERSON REGISTRATION

The registration of an accompanying person must be linked to a FULL REGISTRATION or a CONGRESS REGISTRATION.

The accompanying person registration pass includes :

- Access to the congress opening ceremony (12th October) and closing ceremony
- Side events, Symposium and special COSTEA sessions on 12th – 13th and 14th October
- Access to the Exhibition
- Lunches and coffee breaks on 12th – 13th and 14th October
- 2-hour walking tour, Old Town of Marseille (Le Panier) – Tuesday, 13th October 2026, morning – Tour conducted in English

Registration

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REGISTRATION FEES

All rates include 10% VAT

Category	Participation type	Early Bird Fees until 31st May 2026	Standard Fees From 1st June 2026
Participant from ICID Member Countries (National Committees) (1)	FULL REGISTRATION (Congress + ICID/IEC Meetings)	880,00 €	990,00 €
	Congress registration Only	660,00 €	770,00 €
	Registration for ICID/IEC meetings only (*)	275,00 €	275,00 €
Participants from ICID Non-Member Countries	Congress registration Only	770,00 €	880,00 €
Young professionals (2) (below 35 years) or retired professionals (3)	FULL REGISTRATION (Congress + ICID/IEC Meetings)	440,00 €	495,00 €
	Congress registration Only	330,00 €	385,00 €
Local participants (4)	Congress registration Only	440,00 €	550,00 €
Students (5)	Congress registration Only	165,00 €	192,50 €
Daily Registration (12,13, 14 October) (6)	Congress registration Only		275,00 €
Accompanying persons (7)	FULL REGISTRATION (Congress + ICID/IEC Meetings)	352,00 €	429,00 €
	Congress registration Only	253,00 €	308,00 €

(1) The ICID Member Countries fees are available to individuals from ICID member countries (see the list of the 41 member countries (National Committees)

(2) To be eligible for the young professional fee, applicants will have to upload their details during the online registration process. Please note that only those who are under 35 years of age on the date of registration are eligible for this fee.

(3) To be eligible for the retired professional fee, applicants will have to upload their details during the online registration process. The prescribed age limit is 65 years on the date of registration.

(4) The local participants' fees are reserved for those living in France.

(5) To be eligible for the student fee, applicants must be under the age of 30 on the date of registration and will have to upload their details (approval letter signed by the Head of Department or copy of student status ID) during the online registration process.

(6) The congress day fee is applicable for those who will attend the Congress only one day on 12th, 13th or 14th October.

(7) The registration of an accompanying person must be linked to a Congress registration. The minimum required age is 18 years.

(*) Non-members of the ICID must send any request to participate in ICID/IEC meetings to the Congress Secretariat at the following address: registration-icid26@kit-group.org"

Keydates

REGISTRATION OPENING
November 2025

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
November 15th, 2025

ACCOMMODATION OPENING
November 2025

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE
February 15th, 2026

NOTIFICATION OF ABSTRACT ACCEPTANCE
February 28th, 2026

DEADLINE FOR FULL PAPERS
May 31st, 2026

EARLYBIRD REGISTRATION DEADLINE
May 31st, 2026

REGULAR REGISTRATION DEADLINE
October 1st, 2026

26TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON IRRIGATION AND DRAINAGE
October 12th to 17th, 2026

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