

International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (ICID)

WATSAVE AWARDS 2011

CONDITIONS AND CRITERIA

1. Preamble

ICID launched its Global Water Saving (WatSave) program by setting up the WatSave Work Team (WT-WATS) in the year 1993 with the objective of promoting and recognizing water conservation success amongst member countries. ICID has been compiling and disseminating information on water saving/conservation practices adopted by member countries worldover through publications, website and organizing regional workshops. As a part of the WatSave activities, ICID instituted WatSave Awards in the year 1997. The award(s) are presented each year to an individual or a team of individuals for **OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION** to water conservation/water saving for increasing the beneficial and/or efficient use of water to develop and improve the sustainable use of the critical resource. The WatSave Awards 2011 will be made during the **62**nd **meeting of the International Executive Council to be held in October 2011 at Tehran, Iran.**

2. Categories of the Award(s)

The Awards are given in the following four categories –

- i. WatSave Technology Award
- ii. WatSave Innovative Water Management Award
- iii. WatSave Young Professionals Award
- iv. WatSave Farmer Award (new)

3. Scope of the Award(s)

WatSave Technology Award

This award may be given to work promoting and encouraging the best technological applications or projects which have been successful in saving water and/or recovering waste waters/low quality waters.

WatSave Innovative Water Management Award

This award may be given to innovation promoting non-technological interventions and/or innovative land and water management/techniques for increasing the availability of water for different uses; Promoting research that leads to substantial savings in water applications or uses; or Promoting development of new policies/approaches for water saving leading to cost effective and beneficial use of water.

WatSave Young Professionals Award

This award may be given to water saving/conservation work by young professionals (less than 40 years).

WatSave Farmer Award

This award may be given to farmers for proven water saving success story to promote successful water conservation.

4. Selection process

All nominations received from the National Committees will be reviewed by a panel of five judges, one each from the four regions of ICID (The Americas, Africa, Asia-Oceania and Europe) and the fifth from any region but there shall not be two judges from the same country. A judge will not evaluate a nomination from his/her own country. The panel will be appointed by President, ICID in consultation with the Chairman of the Working Group on Water Saving for Agriculture (WG-WATS).

5. The award(s)

The award consists of an honorarium and a Citation. In the event, the award is given to a team, the award shall be received by the nominated leader of the team. The Citation Plaque will bear the name of ICID as the promoter and of the donor as sponsor.

6. Rules of the Award(s)

- (i) Nominations must comply with these rules:
 - a. National Committees/ Committee to nominate only one nominee per category per country.
 - b. Panel of Judges may shift a nomination from the category in which it was submitted to another category when this is appropriate and beneficial.
 - c. Nominations for the Awards are open to all professionals/ teams from ICID member countries as well as non-member countries, but the nomination must be made and validated by only an active National Committee/ Committee of ICID.
 - d. Nomination Form (as per Annex 1) must be complete in all respects.
 - e. A type-written statement of about 1500 words in English or French summarising nominee's work related to water saving/conservation needs to be submitted.
 - f. A brief curriculum vitae (CV) of the nominee(s) is required.
 - g. A recent photograph of the nominee(s) is required.
- (ii) The decision of the President ICID as arrived at through the process mentioned in item 4 above will be final and binding. No discussion or correspondence relating to the award will be entered into.
- (iii) Entries should be sent electronically to the Executive Secretary, ICID so as to reach Central Office, New Delhi, not later than **30 June 2011**.
- (iv) Please note that any nomination papers, as listed in 6 (i), if received after **30 June 2011** will not be considered and forwarded to the Panel of Judges. All the nominations received on or before the due date will be acknowledged within a week by the Central Office by e-mail. In case of non-receipt of the acknowledgement, the concerned National Committee/ Committee should contact the Central Office immediately.

Arrangements will be made by ICID to widely disseminate the achievements/successes of the winning entries.

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