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**International Network on Small Hydropower (IN-SHP)**

**Coordinating Committee**

## **2009 Annual Meeting Report**



**Hangzhou 12 May 2009**

# SUMMARY NOTES

## INSHP 2009 Coordinating Committee Meeting

**Date:** 12<sup>th</sup> May 2009 at 9h to 12h

**Venue:** Conference Room, International Center on Small Hydropower, Hangzhou, P.R. China

**List of Participants:** See Annex 1

### **Section 1: Opening Ceremony**

The 2009 Coordinating Committee Meeting of INSHP was opened by Prof. LIU Heng, Director General of the International Center on Small Hydropower, who welcomed the participants from the CC members, the observers, the media and supporting staff from the INSHP Secretariat.

Prof. LIU started by reading a letter from Prof. TONG Jiandong, who asked absence because his aged mother had fallen into ill by sudden and he had to leave for his hometown.

The agenda was reviewed and adopted (Annex 2). The Opening Addresses session was chaired by Prof. LIU. Key speakers include H.E Mr.HU Siyi, Honorable Chairman of INSHP, Vice Minister of the Water Resources, P.R. China on behalf of MWR and Dr. P. Monga, Director of Energy and Climate Change Branch, PTC, UNIDO on behalf of UNIDO.

H.E Mr.HU Siyi has expressed appreciation to all the CC members for their support of INSHP work. He said the MWR attaches great importance of the INSHP and H.E. Minister. Chen Lei has attended the 5<sup>th</sup> Hydropower Today Forum yesterday and made a keynote speech to the Opening Ceremony. On behalf of the MWR, he extends continued support from MWR on the future activities of INSHP. Dr. Monga, Director of Energy and Climate Change, PTC, UNIDO has welcomed the participants on behalf of UNIDO.

### **Section 2: INSHP 2008 Work Report**

#### **Adoption of the IN-SHP 2008 Working Report**

Prof. LIU Heng reviewed the 2008 Working Report, which provides an overview of IN-SHP's activities for the past year. In 2008, IN-SHP organized and attended **international conferences and training workshops**, on April 21 to May 5 in Hangzhou, the Seminar on Small Hydro Power and Sustainable Development of Rural Communities for officials of developing countries was successfully held under joint sponsorship of the Ministry of Commerce (MoC) of China and IC-SHP with 46 officials from departments of energy and water conservancy of 25 Asian and African developing countries. On September 16 – 19, 2008 in Abuja, Nigeria, the 4<sup>th</sup> Hydro Power for Today Forum was held in conference hall of the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) in Abuja, Nigeria. This forum was jointly sponsored by the MWR of China, Nigeria Government, African Union, ECOWAS, UNIDO and IC-SHP, co-sponsored by IC-SHP and Nigeria Sub-center of IC-SHP. 13 Chinese representatives from MWR, IC-SHP as well as IC-SHP Chenzhou and Jinhua Bases attended the forum. Besides, more than 120 representatives from over 20 countries including Nigeria, Cote d'Ivoire, D. R. Congo, Ghana, Kenya, Liberia, Madagascar, Mali, Niger, Tanzania, Nepal, India and Tunisia participated in the forum. This forum was focused on opportunities and challenges for SHP development of African countries. In addition, INSHP delegation has attended the Global Renewable Energy Forum in May 2008 in Brazil, the Training Workshop of Hydro Power Development and Management held by Sweden Vattenfall Power in Oct 2008 in Sweden and the first Regional Workshop on Eco Efficient Water Infrastructure in Asia held under joint sponsorship of UNESCAP and Construction and Technology Center of the Ministry of Environment of Korea in Soul on November 10-12, 2008.

In 2008, INSHP continues to work on **application for and implementation of multilateral programs**, such as the PGTF of G77 projects and the Lighting up Rural Africa Project in collaboration with UNIDO, as well as **promotion bilateral cooperative activities** with Zambia, Sierra Leon, Guatemala, Armenia, Kenya, etc. Meanwhile, INSHP has made endeavors to **strengthen collaboration and communication with international organizations**, especially the UNIDO, UNESCAP and UNESCO , while **servicing our host country China** in CDM projects, SHP sector regulation and policy advice.

**Decision:** The CC adopted the 2008 Working Report (See Annex 3).

### **Section 3. Composition of the Coordinating Committee & Election of New IN-SHP Officials**

The session was chaired by Dr. Esan, Technical Director of the UNIDO Regional Center in Africa.

### **3.1 Approval of Composition of New CC Members**

Prof. LIU introduced to the CC a proposed list of new CC, with two representatives for each of the five continents, and in addition, three representatives from UN system (Mr. Monga from UNIDO and Dr. Szollosi-Nagy from UNESCO newly proposed), three representatives from specialized NGO, and the total number are 24. (Mr. Carl Vansant from HRW has requested for quit.). All members CV are available in the secretariat.

Prof. Liu stressed that the growth of the Network must be led by a strong and active CC. He reiterated the role and responsibilities of the CC members to support the development of IN-SHP.

Mr. Monga suggested INSHP should strengthen the management of the regional center operation. For example, at least, the Regional Center in Africa and Asia should submit a summary of their annual report to INSHP. Mr. Singh suggested that a separate sub-group of CC may be added for more representatives from the banking sector, and financial institutions to enhance the capacity of INSHP to mobilize funds for its activities. Mr. Monga added another suggestion regarding future CC Meeting consider the form of video play for those CC members who might not be able to participate in the meeting personally.

**Decision:** The CC approved the proposed composition of the new CC members. (See Annex 4 the composition of 5<sup>th</sup> INSHP CC List).

### **3.2 Election of Chair/Vice Chairs /Director General**

Dr. Esan has announced the nomination of Mr. TIAN Zhongxing, Director General, Rural Hydropower and Electrification Bureau, MWR, China as the candidate for the Chairman of 5<sup>th</sup> INSHP CC by the Ministry of Water Resources.

Prof. LIU on behalf of the Secretariat provided a brief introduction of Mr. TIAN Zhongxing.

Dr. Esan has announced the nomination of Mr. LIU Heng, Director General of ICSHP as the candidate for the Director General of 5<sup>th</sup> INSHP by Ministry of Water Resources.

Prof. LIU made an introduction of himself.

No objections and no other nomination received.

Dr. Esan announced Mr. TIAN Zhongxing has been approved as the Chairman of 5<sup>th</sup> INSHP CC and Mr. LIU Heng as the Director General of 5<sup>th</sup> INSHP. Dr. Esan congratulates Mr. TIAN and Mr. LIU for their being newly elected on behalf of the CC members and he invites Mr. TIAN and Mr. LIU to make a speech.

Mr. TIAN thanked all CC members for their support. He has promised to take more responsibilities of the position of INSHP Chairman and enhance the activities of INSHP.

Prof. Liu stressed the INSHP is all CC members' Center, and global SHP family; and the growth of the Network must be led by a strong and active CC. He reiterated the role and responsibilities of the CC members to support the development of IN-SHP.

**Decision:** The CC approved Mr. Tian Zhongxing as the Chairman of 5<sup>th</sup> INSHP CC and Mr. M.N.C Ferdinando, Permanent Secretary of the Ministry of Power and Energy, Sri Lanka as the Vice Chairman, Prof. LIU Heng as the Director General of INSHP, Prof. LIU Deyou as Managing Director of INSHP.

#### **Section 4. INSHP CC Meeting**

The session was chaired by Mr. TIAN Zhongxing, newly elected Chairman of INSHP.

##### **4.1 Award to Prof. TONG Jiandong for his outstanding contribution to INSHP**

Mr. TIAN reviewed the endeavors made by Prof. TONG Jiandong in establishing and developing the INSHP and he invited H.E. Mr. HU Siyi to hand over the Award to Prof. LIU Heng on behalf of Prof. TONG Jiandong.

##### **4.2 Letter of Appointment for 5<sup>th</sup> INSHP CC members**

H.E. Mr. HU Siyi gives the Letter of Appointment to Mr. TIAN Zhongxing, the newly elected INSHP CC Chairman, Mr. LIU Heng, Director General and other newly elected CC members one by one.

##### **4.3 Presentation and Approval of IN-SHP Work Plan**

Prof. LIU introduced the Work Plan for 2009/2010.

Several comments were made with respect to specific items. Dr. Esan requested to include CDM capacity building for African participants in the Work Plan. Mr. Monga suggested instead of CDM, to expand collaboration with UNIDO on carbon financing on SHP. Mr. Singh advised providing tailor-made CDM capacity building programmes to members from Africa and Asia countries. Mr. TIAN suggested INSHP enhance its

capacity building and make strategy plan as well as the management of its regional centers.

**Decision:** The CC approved the 2009/2010 Work Plan. Secretariat will make the necessary revisions for distribution to the CC, and will follow-up on all planned activities with the relevant partners. (See Annex 5 INSHP 2009/2010 Work plan)

#### **4.4 Approval of the Amendment to the Guiding Principles**

Prof. LIU introduced the 6 item of proposed minor changes to the Guiding Principles and explained the reasons behind. There is no objection received and Mr. TIAN announced the approval of the amendments made to the INSHP Guiding Principles.

**Decision:** The CC approved the Amendment to the Guiding Principles of INSHP (See Annex 6)

#### **4.5 Discussions on Development Strategy & Future Activities**

Mr. TIAN Zhongxing started by saying that 4 aspects of cooperation & exchanges shall be enhanced for INSHP future activities, namely individual project's level cooperation; policy exchange levels; training and technology exchange and cooperation and resources and information sharing. He requests the Secretariat to strengthen the institutional capacity building of the organization, in particular, to expand the members and the communication and interaction between the Secretariat and the member countries as well as with the regional centers. Meanwhile, the Secretariat shall work to upgrade its influence in the global SHP communities.

Prof. LIU invited comments from CC Members. **Mr. Ferdinando** expressed his congratulation to Mr. TIAN and Prof. LIU for their being elected. He says Sri Lanka attaches great importance on renewable energy development and welcomes the cooperation with UNIDO. He reconfirm that he as the Vice Chairman of CC, will give full support for the activities of INSHP in future. **Mr. Jorgensen** from International Center for Hydropower said to strengthen the network of the INSHP members is of great importance. He said China as a leading player in SHP and remains an importance market for future development, shall encourage the global SHP promotion ambitiously. **Mr. Carlos Velasquez** expressed willingness to promote the SHP collaboration in the Latin American regions especially in terms of Chinese technology. **Mr. Singh suggested** SHP cooperation activities between Nepal and Tibet of China. **Mr. Monga** summarized INSHP focuses on activities at project level such as the Lighting up Rural Africa project and the Zambia project; R & D level such as the carbon finance policy research and comparison among different countries, etc. He emphasized that the CC members in

addition to meeting regularly, shall contribute to support the INSHP activities as an advisory body. He requested the Secretariat under the leadership of the Chairman to improve the work plan and proposed concrete SHP promotion activities. He also informed that the UNIDO will have an annual global meeting on renewable energy and this year the meeting is scheduled on 7-9 Oct in Mexico and 2000 participants are expected and he extends the invitation to INSHP CC members and sponsorship for the developing countries are possible. **Mr. XING Yuanyue** emphasized the importance of experiences sharing and information communication in SHP. He informed that in China the focus of SHP has shifted from people who have no access to electricity to ecological & environmental protection as well as rural poverty alleviation and income increase. He suggested the experience could be shared from Norway and Sweden in river basin planning and environmental protection. He also mentioned that the publication will be one of very important task of INSHP activities as a professional agency in SHP and he encouraged the Secretariat to make endeavor in this aspect. **Mr. Esan** expressed to strengthen the cooperation with INSHP Secretariat to promote the activities in the African countries. **Ms. Anna Lesnodorska**, Counselor, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Poland to the United Nations Office and the International Organizations in Vienna, expressed her thanks to be invited to attend the CC Meeting as an Observer and she will share the INSHP activities with her EU colleagues and seek further cooperation.

### **Session 5: Conclusion**

The session was chaired by Prof. LIU Heng, the newly elected Director General of INSHP. He invited Mr. TIAN to give a summary remark for the CC Meeting. Mr. TIAN summarized that the CC Meeting has great achievements, such as approving the 2008 annual work report, election of the 5<sup>th</sup> INSHP CC member, the Chairman, Vice Chairman and Director General, award to Prof. TONG to acknowledge his outstanding contribution to INSHP, approving the INSHP 2009/2010 Work Plan and approving the amendment of INSHP Guiding Principles as well as discussion on the development strategy and its future activities, and the meeting is of great significance for the INSHP development. He requested the Secretariat to prepare the Meeting Minutes and improve the Work Plan in terms of future development strategy, key cooperation areas, project financing, members' registration as well as regional center coordination and management. He expressed thanks to the MWR and the UNIDO, in particular H.E. Mr. HU Siyi and Mr. Monga for their support to the INSHP CC meeting. He also thanked the support from the CC members and the hard work done by the Secretariat to prepare a successful CC meeting. He announced the conclusion of the 2009 INSHP CC Meeting.

## **Next Meeting**

The venue of next meeting is to be decided after consultation with all the CC members. Mr. Cristhian P. Escobar Maldonado had expressed desire to host the next CC Meeting in Guatemala in written.