

Young Irrigation Professionals – IACID Sub-Committee Australian Charter

Background - ICID

The International Commission on Irrigation and Drainage (ICID) is a leading scientific, technical, and professional not-for-profit international organization working in the field of irrigation, drainage, and flood management to promote and achieve sustainable agriculture water management.

***ICID Young Professionals** (less than 40 years of age) working in the irrigation and drainage sector, particularly from the member countries of the International Commission on Irrigation & Drainage (ICID) are encouraged to attend ICID events and conferences with the objective of facilitating the involvement of Young Professionals in ICID's activities as today's young professionals will be tomorrow's pillars in ICID. ICID Young Professionals e-forum ([LYPeF](#)) was established as a LinkedIn Group with 320 plus members to provide a dynamic platform to all Young Professionals to participate and discuss issues pertaining to agriculture water management. To encourage Young Professionals to participate in ICID activities, all Young Professionals attending ICID events are provided 50% concession in the Registration Fees.*

The Australian National Committee of ICID (IACID) is established under the auspices of Irrigation Australia Ltd and established to focus on ICID issues and objectives in Australia.

The Australian Young Irrigation Professionals operate as a sub-committee of IACID.

Vision

- Create a dynamic network of young irrigation and drainage professionals
- Develop career experiences and motivate exchange of ideas
- Educate Young Irrigation Professionals about current and future global and local irrigation and drainage issues and trends
- Provide an avenue for young professionals to influence priority and policy settings nationally and internationally

Member Profile

- Employed in organisations supporting the irrigation and drainage sector in the beginning and mid-stage of their career
- University, college graduates, undergraduates and/or individuals currently working in the irrigation industry in research/education/policy or consulting with a strong interest in irrigation
- Open to persons 18 to 40-years of age

Objectives/Goals

- Offer an interactive educational program where industry experts share information, intelligence and perspective on topical issues
- Provide opportunities for the development of professional skills to excel in this vital irrigation industry

- Gain exclusive contacts with other Young Irrigation Professionals interested in the agricultural water management issues through the [IYPef](#) worldwide membership and benefit by networking with other membership networks representing over 90% of the irrigation area of the world.
- Provide an avenue for delivering perspectives and contributions of Young Irrigation Professionals to priority and policy setting of the national (IACID) and the international ICID agenda.

Term of the Young Irrigation Professionals sub-committee

Members of the sub-committee will serve for a minimum period of two years from the date of their appointment at the IACID's discretion or until the age limit of 40 is reached and then will be considered for membership of the IACID committee.

Applications for membership

Applications for the Young Irrigation Professionals sub-committee shall be made to the Chair of the Australian National Committee (IACID). The Committee reserves the right to approve or reject any such application without giving a reason.

Election of Coordinator and Vice Coordinator

A Coordinator and Vice Coordinator shall be elected by the sub-committee to hold office for a minimum of two years.

Administrative Authority as delegated by the Australian National Committee (IACID)

The committee shall administer this Charter as follows:

Meetings:

- The sub-committee shall meet for a minimum of two times each year and as many times as it shall so decide
- Meetings will be generally held by teleconference but on occasions, such as the Irrigation Australia biennial conference, may be held on a face-to-face basis
- The Coordinator, or in the Coordinator's absence the Vice Coordinator shall preside at meetings of the sub-committee or, if neither is present, the sub-committee shall appoint one of its number to preside. Minutes are to be taken of the proceedings of all meetings of the sub-committee. The minutes of any such meeting, if having been signed by the Coordinator on behalf of the sub-committee as a true and accurate record, will be tabled at the next meeting of the IACID committee
- The quorum at a meeting of the sub-committee shall be one-third of the total number of members of the sub-committee.

Report to IACID

Once in every calendar year an annual report of the Young Irrigation Professional sub-committee's activities will be made to the IACID for inclusion in its annual report to the Irrigation Australia Board.

Review of Board Charter

The Australian National Committee (IACID) will, at least once in each financial year, review this charter, and make any amendments it determines are necessary or desirable.