



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
CONCERNING A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN
THE UNESCO-IHE INSTITUTE FOR WATER EDUCATION
AND
THE UNITED STATES ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

The United States Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE"), and the United Nations Educational Scientific and Cultural Organization - IHE Institute for Water Education, headquartered in Delft, Netherlands ("UNESCO-IHE"), hereinafter jointly referred to as "the Parties":

Having a common interest in water resources development and management;

Having independent missions to promote and enhance the use of effective water resources development and management policies throughout the world;

Recognizing UNESCO-IHE's mission to establish a world-wide Partnership for Water Education and Research, and USACE's interest in contributing to this Partnership;

Desiring to promote and enhance public safety and community welfare by fostering research, development and the improvement of water resources development and management, and to promote, encourage and advance systems of safer, more economical, efficient and environmentally sound water resources development and management through research, development and cooperation in these fields; and

Recognizing the benefit to each party's water resources development and management mission through mutual cooperation and joint activities when consistent with the policies, goals and laws governing each party;

Do hereby simultaneously declare the following framework of partnership:

Article I

UNESCO-IHE and USACE will use their best efforts to establish a long-term cooperation and partnership in the field of water resources development and management for developing countries and countries in transition. The Parties are especially interested in opportunities in the following areas of common interest:

1. Flood Control, Flood Plain Management and Water Resources Management
2. Infrastructure Development

3. Environmental Engineering
4. Consensus Building
5. Water Policy
6. Capacity Building
7. Educational methods and systems

Article II

Each party shall designate a Principal Representative to serve as the primary point of contact between the parties on all matters arising under this Partnership Document.

Article III

Any cooperative activity undertaken between the parties shall only be done under the authority of the laws, regulations, and policies governing each party individually.

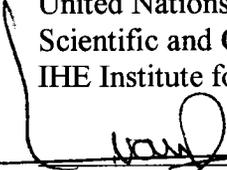
Article IV

Notwithstanding any other provision herein, nothing in this Partnership Document shall be construed as binding under International Law. Further, nothing in this document shall be construed as either authorizing or obligating either party to commit funds or resources to any project or work except as otherwise authorized by the laws, regulations, and policies governing each party individually.

Article V

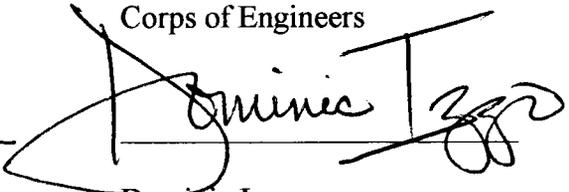
This Partnership Document shall become effective when signed by both USACE and UNESCO-IHE.

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Scientific and Cultural Organization-
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