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**INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON “COUNTRY POLICIES AND DEVELOPMENTS
OF WATER FOR BIO-ENERGY AND FOOD”**

25 June 2012, Adelaide, Australia

Time 11:00 to 15:00 hrs

CALL FOR PAPERS

Theme: COUNTRY POLICIES AND DEVELOPMENTS OF WATER FOR BIO-ENERGY AND FOOD”

Scope: Increasing fuel prices and the quest to reduce greenhouse gas emissions has triggered an interest in the development of biofuels. Biofuel production under irrigated agriculture has the potential to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. This can occur by producing biofuels i.e.: fuels derived from biomass sources such as corn, soybeans, crop residues, trees and grasses, etc. Substitution of biofuels for fossil fuels has the potential to reduce greenhouse gas emission significantly and provide a major source of transportation fuel. A major concern however is that pursuit of energy security through increased biofuel development could aggravate water insecurity in many parts of the world. In addition, rising demand for biofuels can provide an incentive to grow biofuels instead of staple food. The impact here would be greatest on poorer countries. The contribution of biofuels to greenhouse gas reductions will be dependent on policies, fossil fuel prices, technologies used to convert biomass to energy and per acre yield of crop. This workshop is designed to share valuable experiences/technologies from participating countries.

The authors are requested to contribute on following sub-topics:

- Provide an update on the production and usage of biofuels in your country.
- Discuss the potential impact of biofuel development on world water scarcity and water insecurity.
- Discuss the potential biofuel production under irrigated conditions in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
- Discuss the potential impact of increasing biofuel demand on food production.

Deadlines: Abstracts (500-600 words) by **01 April 2012**
Acceptance of abstracts by **15 April 2012**
Full length papers by **01 May 2012**

Please mail the ‘Expression of Interest’ and Abstract to Mr. Laurie C. Tollefson, Chairman, TF-BIO-ENERGY, with copy to ICID Central Office as per above deadlines.

This Workshop is being organized by ICID’s Task Force on Water for Bio-energy and Food during its 63rd International Executive Council Meeting and 7th Asian Regional Conference from 24-30 June 2012 at Adelaide, Australia.

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Website: Please access conference website: <http://online.saneevent.com.au/ial2012/> for more information on events during 63rd IEC and 7th Asian Regional Conference at Adelaide, Australia.

Registration Fee

Participants need to register for the. [63rd IEC and 7th Asian Regional Conference](http://online.saneevent.com.au/ial2012/), 24-30 June 2012, Adelaide, Australia. For more information, please access Conference website: <http://online.saneevent.com.au/ial2012/>

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Name (Mr/Ms/Dr/Prof): _____

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