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**IAHR International Committee Meeting, Bern, Switzerland,
Tuesday, June 19, 2018, 1:00-3:00pm (Room to be announced)**

December 3, 2017

To the Officers of the IAHR Member Societies and Affiliates

Dear Colleagues,

According to the IAHR By-Laws, Rule 4b, "The International Committee meets at the location and time of the quinquennial congress. In addition, the session between consecutive quinquennial congresses shall be held at the location and time of an IAHR conference."

According to the IAHR Constitution, Article 4(b) The International Committee is composed of:

- (i) Two representatives each of the constituent national and regional societies;
- (ii) The Executive Committee (see below);
- (iii) Up to four individual members co-opted by the International Committee on the recommendation of the Executive Committee.

The IAHR By-Laws, Rule 5.c reads:

The executive committee of each constituent national or regional society and association appoints no more than two representatives to each International Committee meeting. These are normally, but not necessarily, the president and secretary of the constituent society or association. In addition, each affiliated association may appoint no more than one (non-voting) representative to attend each International Committee meeting.

I therefore ask the IAHR member societies and its officers to appoint your two representatives to the 2018 IAHR International Committee and to send me the names and email addresses of the representatives no later than **May 1, 2018**.

Please remember (cf. Rule 5d) that "Members of the Executive Committee of the IAHR ... may not serve as representatives for their constituent societies or associations at the International Committee meetings."

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I also sincerely ask the IAHR affiliates and its officers, in accordance with Rule 5c, to appoint a representative to attend the International Committee meeting in Bern. Please send me the names and email addresses of the representative no later than **May 1, 2018**.

Optional participation via internet:

The IAHR Executive Committee understands that it will not be easy to travel to Bern especially if you have teaching and other obligations in mid-June. Therefore, for the first time in the IAHR's history, we will try to invite those representatives outside Europe who are unable to leave their countries to attend the International Committee meeting via Zoom. (Zoom is a software for internet video conferencing, which is more stable than Skype and can connect up to 50 people. It is very easy to use, and we will help your representatives get connected.)

If you cannot find representatives to delegate to Bern, please consider having them attend the meeting via Zoom. In this case also, please send me the names and email addresses of the representatives no later than **May 1, 2018**.

Travel grants:

The IAHR Executive Committee has decided to set aside a small sum of money from the IAHR general accounts to help fund travel expenses for a limited number of delegates to the International Committee meeting. Applications for grants must be sent to the IAHR Treasurer, Prof. Philippe Bornet (philippe.bornet@unil.ch) as well as to the IAHR Acting General Secretary, Prof. Satoko Fujiwara together with the announcement of the names of the representatives no later than **March 15, 2018**.

A provisional agenda will be drafted and sent to you no later than one month before the meeting.

Sincerely,

Satoko Fujiwara, IAHR Acting Secretary General
Tokyo, Japan