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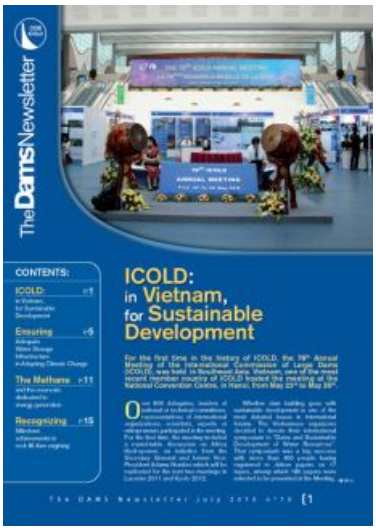

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# ICOLD: in Vietnam, for Sustainable Development

For the first time in the history of ICOLD, the 79th Annual Meeting of the International Commission of Large Dams (ICOLD), was held in Southeast Asia, Vietnam, one of the most recent member country of ICOLD hosted the meeting at the National Convention Centre, in Hanoi, from May 23rd to May 26th.

Over 800 delegates, leaders of national or technical committees, representatives of international organizations, scientists, experts of entrepreneurs participated in the meeting. For the first time, the meeting included a roundtable discussion on Africa Hydropower, an initiative from the Secretary General and former Vice President Adama Diankha which will be replicated for the next two meetings in Lucerne 2011 and Kyoto 2012.

Whether dam building goes with sustainable development is one of the most debated issues in international forums. The Vietnamese organizers decided to devote their international symposium to "Dams and Sustainable Development of Water Resources". This symposium was a big success with more than 800 people having registered to deliver papers on 17 topics, among which 180 papers were selected to be presented at the Meeting.

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