



EXECUTIVE BOARD

Forty-ninth Session

QUESTIONNAIRE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS  
REQUESTING OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH WHO<sup>1</sup>

1. Name of organization

International Association on Water Pollution Research (IAWPR)  
Association internationale de la Recherche sur la Pollution de l'Eau

2. Address of headquarters

P.O. Box 395, Pretoria, Republic of South Africa

3. Addresses of all branch or regional headquarters

No branch headquarters

4. Membership

(a) Total number of persons: 29 official national representatives  
197 associate members  
497 individual members  
723

(b) All members pay direct to IAWPR headquarters in Pretoria, Republic of South Africa.

(c) List of affiliated organizations



<u>Countries</u>	<u>Affiliated organization</u>	<u>Number of persons (official national representatives on governing board of IAWPR)</u>
Australia	Australian National Committee	2
Austria	Austrian Association on Water Resources and Economy	1
Belgium	Belgian National Committee	1
Czechoslovakia	Czechoslovak National Committee	1
Canada	Canadian National Committee	2
Denmark	Danish National Committee	1

<sup>1</sup> As provided by the applicant on 15 July 1971.

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<u>Countries</u>	<u>Affiliated organization</u>	<u>Number of persons</u> (official national representatives on governing board of IAWPR)
Federal Republic of Germany	Abwassertechnische Vereinigung EV	3
France	French National Committee	2
Hungary	Hungarian National Committee	1
India	Indian National Committee	1
Israel	Israeli National Committee	1
Japan	Japan Sewage Works Association	1
Netherlands	Netherlands Association for Sewage Purification	1
Norway	Norwegian National Committee	1
Republic of South Africa	South African National Committee	1
Sweden	Swedish National Committee	1
Switzerland	Swiss National Committee	1
Thailand	Thai National Committee	1
United Kingdom	United Kingdom National Committee	2
United States of America	USA National Committee	3
Venezuela	Venezuelan National Committee	1

(d) Various types of membership

National - 21 countries totalling 29 official representatives on the governing board of IAWPR  
three countries totalling three representatives on an ad hoc basis

Associate - 197 from 19 countries

Individual - 497 from 27 countries

5. General purpose of the organization

The International Association on Water Pollution Research (IAWPR) is a non-profit organization, formally constituted in 1965 to provide international leadership in and support to the complex problems of water quality management. The Association has the following basic objectives:

- (i) to contribute most effectively to the development of biological, chemical and engineering research in water pollution abatement and control;
- (ii) to secure co-operative effort in and maximum exchange of information on water pollution research and water quality management;
- (iii) to encourage international communication and a better understanding among scientists and engineers engaged in the technical solution of water pollution problems.

- (iv) to organize and sponsor international meetings and conferences where papers and reports on important research in water pollution may be presented;
- (v) to provide for a scientific medium of publication of research reports and activities of the Association;
- (vi) to shorten the time lag between development of research findings and practical application in engineering designs.

6. (a) What is the primary function of the organization?

The primary functions of the International Association on Water Pollution Research are the following:

1. To provide and encourage effective communication between many sectors (research organizations, local authorities, government departments, scientists, engineers, investigators, administrators, consultants, educators, equipment manufacturers, publishers, public relations officers, etc.) involved in water pollution research and water quality protection. This communication is effected by means of the following:

- (i) the IAWPR's Journal Water Research (12 monthly issues to each volume. First volume published 1967);
- (ii) biennial international conferences and the printing of conference proceedings;
- (iii) regional and specialized conferences (IAW PR's inter-conference activity programme) and the publication of papers in the Journal Water Research as the proceedings of the conferences.

2. To harness a versatile spectrum of expertise for international dissemination to effect and encourage the protection of the water environment against destruction.

This information is obtained through the following:

- (i) Experts serving on the following 15 IAWPR Expert Advisory Panels making their specialized expertise available for global dissemination

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- (ii) Journal Water Research in which papers are published covering all aspects of water pollution research and control, and water resources management;
- (iii) national, associate and individual members of IAWPR, whose specialized fields of research and related activities will be published in the Journal Water Research from time to time;
- (iv) IAWPR international conferences (biennial);
- (v) IAWPR regional and specialized conferences, as an inter-conference activity programme.

6. (b) What are the secondary functions of the organization?

Same for 6(a) above.

7. (a) Does the organization advocate any special health measures or procedures?

No

(b) Has the organization any special reservations as to treatment or health procedures?

No

8. Can officially designated representatives speak authoritatively for the membership on matters concerned with the stated purposes of the organization?

Yes

On all aspects of research on prevention and abatement of water pollution, and application in practice to ensure optimum use of available water resources and preservation of the water environment.

9. Specific interest with reference to the work of the World Health Organization

At its Fifth International Conference on Water Pollution Research held in San Francisco during July/August 1970, the IAWPR established a committee for regional and specialized conferences. The objectives of the committee are to organize on behalf of IAWPR or in co-operation with universities, professional societies, governmental organizations and international agencies, regional or specialized conferences in various parts of the world on subjects of specific interest to that area. This committee is under the chairmanship of Professor W.W. Eckenfelder (address: Water Resources Engineering Department, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee 37203, United States of America).

IAWPR has to date either sponsored, co-sponsored or is in the process of organizing specialized and regional conferences in various parts of the world. We would be prepared to extend this facility by participating in or co-sponsoring any WHO specific programmes on specialized subjects in various parts of the world.

10. Officers

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position held with the IAWPR</u>
Dr G.J. Stander (Republic of South Africa)	President
Professor B.B. Berger (United States of America)	Vice-President
Mr E. Kuntze (Federal Republic of Germany)	Vice-President
Dr S.H. Jenkins (United Kingdom)	Executive Editor
Dr J.H. Denysschen (Republic of South Africa)	Secretary/Treasurer

Paid officers

None

11. Structure

(a) Policy-making bodies

1. Governing board

"(i) the Governing Board shall be comprised of a maximum of three official representatives from each member of the Association, the Executive Editor, the

Secretary-Treasurer, the immediate past President, the Conference President and the immediate past Conference President.

(ii) the number of official representatives of the Governing Board from each member shall be in proportion to the relative active contribution (Ref. 4.01) by that member, the exact proportion to be established by the Governing Board. The names of the official representatives of each member shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary-Treasurer before the meeting of the Governing Board."

(Article 5.02 of the IAWPR Statutes - enclosed).

"(ii) the Governing Board may prescribe, amend, and rescind rules of procedure and set up such committees as it deems expedient."

(Article 5.04 of the IAWPR Statutes - enclosed).

2. Executive committee

"(i) the Executive Committee shall consist of the President and Vice-Presidents of the Governing Board, the Executive Editor, the Secretary-Treasurer, the immediate past President, the Conference President and the immediate past Conference President;

(ii) not more than one official representative of any member shall serve on the Executive Committee at any one time;

(iii) vacancies arising from death or resignation shall be filled by appointment by the Board with due regard to the member affected;

(iv) the members of the Executive Committee are elected for one term of office as from the time of election until the next following Conference meeting of the Governing Board. Members are eligible for re-election;

(v) three members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum."

(Article 6.02 of the IAWPR Statutes - enclosed)

(b) Frequency of meetings

(i) Governing board

"The Governing Board shall meet at least once every two years and at every international Conference."

(Article 5.04(i) of the IAWPR Statutes - enclosed). 5 August 1970, Honolulu, Hawaii (date of last meeting).

(ii) Executive committee

"shall meet as and when the President may consider necessary or when not less than three members of the Executive Committee require a meeting."

(Article 6.01(v) of the IAWPR Statutes - enclosed). 5 August 1970, Honolulu, Hawaii (date of last meeting).

(c) Voting procedure

(i) Governing board

"Each official representative of a member is entitled to vote in the Governing Board."

(Article 5.03 of IAWPR Statutes - enclosed).

"The Governing Board may conduct its business (a) at regular meetings (during international Conferences); (b) at such other times as may be determined by a quorum of the Governing Board; (c) by mail, with all action taken by a simple majority vote of the Governing Board; and (d) by a simple majority vote of the official representatives of members present at a meeting and constituting a quorum."

(Article 5.04(iii) of IAWPR Statutes - enclosed).

(ii) Executive committee

Each member of the Executive Committee is entitled to vote at all official meetings or by mail if required to do so.

(d) Affiliation with other organizations, including international organizations

To date affiliation has been established with the International Engineering Committee on Oceanic Resources (ECOR) as an adhering body. Negotiations in progress to establish affiliation with FAO and WHO.

12. Finances

(i) "The annual subscriptions of the various categories of membership shall be determined by the Governing Board with due regard to the scientific, professional, and economic resources of the country and the size of the member organization. Subscriptions shall be payable to the Secretary-Treasurer by 1 February each year."

(Article 4.01 of IAWPR Statutes attached).

"The President, with the concurrence of the Executive Committee, shall appoint a Finance Committee comprised of three members of the Board. It shall submit to each meeting of the Board a statement on the financial position of the Association and shall prepare annual estimates of income and expenditure for the ensuing year for the Board's consideration and approval."

(Article 4.05 of IAWPR Statutes attached).

"The Governing Board shall appoint registered auditors for the examination of books, accounts, and financial statements of the Association and for reporting and advising thereon to the Board."

(Article 4.06 of the IAWPR Statutes attached).

- (ii) Financial statements attached - consolidated IAWPR financial report  
- auditor's report for the period 1 June 1970 -  
31 December 1970

(iii) Annual reportIncome

1. Membership fees: individual members	\$ 9 940
associate members	\$ 19 700
national members	\$ 8 660
	<u>\$ 38 300</u>
2. Share of profit on Journal Water Research (approximately)	\$ 6 000
Total	<u>\$ 44 300</u>

13. History

The IAWPR has grown out of an ad hoc organization which started with the First International Conference on Water Pollution Research in London during 1962, when an international steering committee was appointed to further the interests of the organization. The Association was formally constituted at a meeting in Harrogate, United Kingdom, during June 1965, when a governing board was instituted to take over the functions of the steering committee.

IAWPR is now a well-established international organization of recognized standing. Through its five scheduled conferences - London (1962 - 600 delegates from 32 countries); Tokyo (1964 - 1200 delegates from 35 countries); Munich (1966 - 1200 delegates from 34 countries); Prague, re-scheduled (1969 - 1100 delegates from 32 countries); San Francisco (1970 - 1265 delegates from 33 countries) - it has succeeded in arousing world-wide enthusiasm and need among scientists, engineers, scientific organizations, industrial organizations and water pollution control authorities to secure a maximum co-operative effort and exchange of information in water pollution research and water quality management.

14. Activities

(i) organizing biennial international conferences (selection of venue and date; advertizing the forthcoming international conference by calling for papers; selection of papers and arranging conference technical programme, concurrent international exhibition, and film festival);

(ii) organizing, sponsoring and co-sponsoring regional and specialized conferences in various parts of the world on subjects of specific interest to that area (selection of venue and date; advertizing the conference and calling for papers; selection of papers and arranging conference technical programme, concurrent international exhibition and film festival);

(iii) nominating, where possible, via IAWPR national committees, individual and associate members to officially represent IAWPR at national and international conferences. Reports received from official representatives usually either circularized to all IAWPR members or published in IAWPR Journal Water Research;

(iv) information retrieval and dissemination: for the benefit of all IAWPR members, via Journal Water Research, expert advisory panels, and between all IAWPR members themselves.

15. Publications

(i) Journal Water Research. This Journal is published monthly (12 issues per volume). This Journal is the official publication of the International Association on Water



Pollution Research. It is a medium through which research results in water pollution and control studies may be communicated at an international level. Distributed to all individual and associate members of IAWPR. This Journal is also available to libraries all over the world and to the public direct from the printers.

(ii) Proceedings of IAWPR international conferences

All papers and discussions delivered at IAWPR biennial international conferences are published as proceedings. These are distributed to all associate members and are available for purchase by the public sector.

(iii) IAWPR does not publish special reports nor annual reports.

16. Documentation<sup>1</sup>

(a) (i) Statutes (three copies attached).

(ii) Journal Water Research (Vol. 1, No. 6, June 1967); Vol. 2, No. 1, January 1968); (Vol. 5, No. 1, January 1971), plus other informational material.

(b) IAWPR does not publish annual reports.

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<sup>1</sup> Held by the secretariat.