



## **Hydropower 2013, CHINCOLD 2013 Annual Meeting and the 3rd International Symposium on Rockfill Dams, 1-3 November 2013**



### **Invitation**

Investment in hydropower is investment in the green economy. The key issue is to develop dams and hydropower in a sustainable way. Advanced technologies, new equipments and materials for dam construction have been achieved in different countries. It is necessary for engineers from all over the world to share the new progress. After a series of successful and fruitful conferences such as Hydropower 1996, Hydropower 1998, Hydropower 2004 and Hydropower 2006, Hydropower 2013 international conference jointly sponsored by Chinese National Committee on Large Dams (CHINCOLD) and China Society for Hydropower Engineering (CSHE) will provide a forum for strengthening the international communication and cooperation in hydropower and promote future development of hydropower in a safe, economic, and eco-friendly way.

CHINCOLD Annual meeting was held successfully in 2011 and 2012. New technologies for dam construction have been presented and discussed. Nearly 1000 experts and scholars from CHINCOLD member organizations have attended the events. The meetings have offered the members a platform for communication and cooperation on dam construction. In order to promote this communication, CHINCOLD 2013 Annual meeting will be held combined with Hydropower 2013.

In recent years, rockfill dams, a popular and competitive dam type, have gained vigorous development due to its advantages in economy and safety. During the Wenchuan Earthquake in 2008 in Sichuan, China, Zipingpu concrete faced rockfill dam (H=156m) has demonstrated the good performance of rockfill dams in seismic resistance. With increasing of the height of rockfill dams and facing more complicated geographic and geologic conditions, many challenging problems have arisen. To provide a platform for professionals to exchange their experiences in rockfill dams, Chinese National Committee on Large dams (CHINCOLD) and Brazilian Committee on Large Dams (CBDB) have jointly sponsored the 1st and the 2nd International Symposiums on Rockfill Dams in 2009 in Chengdu, China and in 2011 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, respectively.

Hydropower 2013--CHINCOLD 2013 Annual Meeting and the 3rd International Symposium on Rockfill Dams will be held on 1-3 November 2013 in Kunming, the Capital City of Yunnan Province, China.

It is great honor for the Organizing Committee to invite you to join Hydropower 2013--CHINCOLD 2013 Annual Meeting and the 3rd International Symposium on Rockfill Dams. We sincerely hope that this conference will contribute significantly to promote the worldwide successful experience in sustainable development of hydropower and dams. We believe the conference will provide a broader communication space and more opportunities for various specialists involved in the field of hydropower and dams.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Kunming, China in November 2013.



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