

Values of Inland Waterways

“Waterways – more than navigational channels”

Tuesday 8th September, 9:00 am – 1:00pm

This workshop will present the results of the activities of PIANC Inland Navigation Commission Working Group 139 “Values of Inland Waterways”. The main task for the group was to give an overview of potential additional uses and benefits of navigable waterways, to analyze them in terms of a number of pre-determined relevant aspects, of the physical appearance, and of the aesthetic impact of waterways, and to show what are quick wins and where are potential conflicts. Linking the results of these investigations to best practices, it was required to gather examples of effective combinations of the diversity of values. The course will provide an overview of the draft report, which was completed at the end of 2014, and seek input on additional avenues to explore.

Course Organizer:

Andreas Dohms, Working Group 139 (Chairman)

Confirmed instructors and schedule:

Welcome and introduction into the topic

by Andreas Dohms (Chairman, Germany)

Kick-off presentation on “Values of Inland Waterways”

by Rashed Thabet (Egypt/Netherlands)

Discussion and coffee break

Presentation on Quantification of benefits

by Leonel A. Temer (Argentina)

Presentation on Transformation of former waterways

by Andreas Dohms (Germany)

Discussion and coffee break

Presentation on the case “Paraguay – Parana – Waterway”

by Leonel A. Temer (Argentina)

Presentation on Navigational and other benefits of irrigation-dominated rivers; case of the Nile River in Egypt

by Rashed Thabet (Egypt/Netherlands)

Discussion

Conclusions and a view ahead

by Andreas Dohms (Chairman)