Dear colleagues, Dear Friends of ICOLD

It is with great sadness that we inform you that Nicole Schauner passed away on March 22nd, 2016. She was 74 years old.

Every person who took part in ICOLD meetings over the last five decades knew Nicole, her kindness, her energy, her great capacity for work, her subtlety and her legendary laugh.

Succeeding her mother, she devoted her whole professional career to developing ICOLD in the Central Office. Nicole's work was recognized with an award last year in Stavanger, during the 25th Congress. As she was already too weak for the journey, her daughter Nathalie received it for her.

The whole ICOLD family is grateful for the enormous amount of work Nicole accomplished for the organization which would not have been the same without her. Beyond her work, she befriended many senior dam engineers from all over the world and she was a real link between all the members of ICOLD.

At this painful time, we all join in supporting her husband Marc and her daughter Nathalie. The funeral ceremony will take place on Tuesday 29 March at 10.30am at St Germain Church, in Le Chesnay (street Jean Louis Forain, 78150 Le Chesnay, France).

A tribute will be paid to Nicole, during a special ceremony at the Annual Meeting in Johannesbug (15-20 May 2016).

President Anton Schleiss, Secretary General Michel de Vivo, Nathalie Schauner And all the Central Office team

