

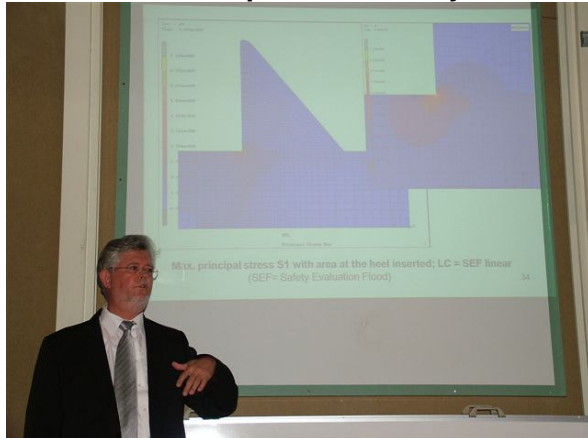
### ICOLD Congress 2009

Information on the ICOLD Congress was circulated in SANCOLD News 2009.1.12. We have just heard from the Congress Organiser that the “early bird” registration date (ie lower registration fee) has been extended from end January to end March. Full details of the Congress and Annual Meeting can be downloaded from the website [www.icoldbrasil2009.org](http://www.icoldbrasil2009.org) . ICOLD Central Office has circulated the themes for discussion for the four questions. Contributions have to be submitted to the General Reporter for the specific question by **24 February 2009**. Please contact [secretary@sancold.org.za](mailto:secretary@sancold.org.za) if you want a copy of this information and intend to submit a contribution (only for those attending the Congress). SANCOLD is particularly honoured that Prof Gerrit Basson of the University of Stellenbosch is the General Reporter for Question 89 which deals with the Management of Siltation in Existing and New Reservoirs. Gerrit is Chairman of the ICOLD Technical Committee on the Sedimentation of Dams and has been a SANCOLD member for many years.

### Hydraulics Structures Course, Stellenbosch, 9 to 12 March 2009

The University of Stellenbosch is offering a course on the above topic which relates to dams. The information on the course is attached to this e-mail. Information on the Workshop on the SANCOLD Guidelines for the freeboard of dams which is part of the course was circulated in SANCOLD News 2009.1.30.

### Feedback on the presentation by Hans Durieux on the analysis of gravity dams



Hans Durieux delivered his presentation on 10 February (See SANCOLD Announcement of 2009.1.31) on the “Development of a practical methodology for the analysis of gravity dams using the non-linear finite element method”. The presentation was in respect of partial fulfilment of the requirements of an M Eng degree from the University of Pretoria. Some 50 persons attended the event. Hans applied the analysis procedure for the De Hoop Dam which is now under construction. This type of analysis links with the process followed by ICOLD of benchmarking the numerical analysis of dams (see SANCOLD News 2009.1.30).

### Comments on SANCOLD News

SANCOLD News will also be placed on the SANCOLD website in addition to direct e-mailing to SANCOLD members. Feedback on the value of the news would be appreciated as well as suggestions for news items. Please log onto the SANCOLD website [www.sancold.org.za](http://www.sancold.org.za) from time to time.

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