



Gathering the country, improving hydro-environmental research – The dawn of IAHR-YPN Portugal

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Some years ago, gathering and mobilizing a country's community of young engineers and researchers in a full national scale might seem a herculean task. However, this risk was assumed by several Portuguese institutions at the 3rd Europe Congress of IAHR, held in Porto, 2014.



The idea was to create an IAHR-YPN nucleus that could contribute for the knowledge and professional experiences sharing and improvement for Portuguese young professionals in the field of hydro-environmental engineering.

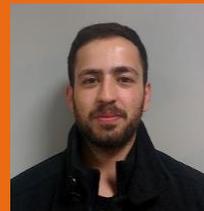
IAHR-YPN Portugal was also born as a continuity project of the Students' Chapter, already existent in Coimbra. Founded at the beginning of 2015, IAHR-YPN Portugal is now gaining strength and projection, being committed to several activities that are already being organized.

This group of young members has a remarkable will to increase the network between academia and companies. Several events are now being planned as part of the annual contribution that this nucleus wants to provide in order to increase the dynamism of young engineers.

The following milestones are being organised for the year of 2015/2016: the 1st National Meeting for Young Professionals and Researchers, the award "Best Publication of the Year", the cycle of keynote speeches "Let's talk about" and several other activities such as courses, field trips and newsletter.

IAHR-YPN Portugal is also very keen in providing strong contacts with members of the other nucleus across the world, within a

perspective of internationalisation of the Portuguese achievements in the Hydro-environmental Engineering.



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