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1. Introduction

Officially created the May 6, 2019, the YPN Venezuela is composed by 12 members (11 young professionals and 1 student) all professionals in the hydro-environment engineering sector. Due to complex conditions in our home country, some of us are currently living in different regions of the world (Argentina, Ecuador, France, Peru, Sweden and Venezuela). This particularity of our YPN makes it an innovative initiative that seeks to adapt to today’s challenges and enables us to strengthen our links as young Venezuelan professionals living around the world. The creation of the YPN Venezuela is a great opportunity for us to stay connected to the hydro-environment sector worldwide and also provides us with many advantages to continue our professional development. All the members of the YPN Venezuela are honored to be a part of the IAHR and are look forward to contribute to the development of the IAHR YPN community.

2. Main goal and key objectives for 2020

Creation of the weekly web-seminar “Conversaciones Fluidas”

3. Communications

[Website and social networks]

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## 4. Activities

[Activities organised in 2020]

### Activity 1

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Prof. Maria Virginia Najul Saldivia

"To have drinking water ... We must protect our water bodies"
### Activity 2

**"Conversaciones Fluidas 2"**

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zEFkbG2M5HE&t=18s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zEFkbG2M5HE&t=18s)

**October 6th, 2020**

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Ing. Celso Castro Bolinaga

"Propagation of sediment pulses in rivers associated with dams removals: Challenges and opportunities"
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Activity 3

“Conversaciones Fluidas 3”
Special edition - Valencia Lake

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-7PP1nuR-g4

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BRQKPUUslKq4

November 3rd and 4th, 2020

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“Conversaciones Fluidas 4”

December 1st, 2020

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"Advances in the two-dimensional modelling of integrated hydrological and hydraulic processes through high performance computing and geographic information systems"

7. Partnerships and collaborations

Partner organisations and/or interaction with related national organisations

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Collaboration with other YPNs

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8. Contributing to the strategic plan

7.1. Please describe how your activities in 2020 have contributed to and advocated for IAHR’s vision and strategic plan (https://www.iahr.org/index/detail/101)

“Conversaciones fluidas” it is aligned with the following pillars of the strategic plan:

- Inspire, disseminate and catalyse state-of-the-art knowledge and thinking.
- Institute events that set agendas, harness and amplify the collective knowledge of the global Hydro-Environment community.

7.2. Please describe how your YPN contributes to the IAHR YPN high-level aims

Veronica Leon, member and treasurer of the YPN Venezuela, is leading since November 2020 the project “IAHR Women’s Voices” in collaboration with the IAHR task force on Strengthening Gender Equity and the IAHR secretariat in Madrid.

The Women’s Voices video series provides the opportunity to IAHR women members to introduce themselves and their background, explain why it is important to them to work in the hydro-environmental field, the challenges they are confronted with, and reflect about specific research topics or actual events such as COVID-19, floods, droughts, the world congress, etc. (https://iahr.org/index/detail/245)

Prof. Arturo Marcano, Veronica Leon and Ingrid Silva, members of the YPN Venezuela, participated as chairs in the IAHR “International conference on river morphology and flood control Piura River – Peru” on 19-20 November 2020. This was a great opportunity for the members of our YPN to work in collaboration with the IAHR community.