

Brussels, 21 February 2019.

To the First Delegates of the Qualifying Members of PIANC To the National Sections' Secretaries of PIANC To the Platinum Partners of PIANC To The Sister Associations of PIANC

<u>Subject</u>: Setting up of a new PIANC Working Group 218 on "**The implications of invasive alien species** for waterborne transport infrastructure".

Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

The setting up of PIANC EnviCom Working Group 218 on **"The implications of invasive alien species for waterborne transport infrastructure"** has duly been approved as well as its terms of reference, which are herewith enclosed.

We kindly ask you to inform the secretariat of EnviCom by **30 April 2019** (copy to the General Secretariat) about the name, qualification and (e-mail-) address of the expert, proposed by your country/organisation. Please enclose a brief curriculum vitae of the proposed expert together with some details about her/his professional experiences.

An additional expert per country/organisation, being a young professional, can participate in the Working Group activities. Further I would like to remind you that Working Group Members should either be Individual Member of PIANC, working for a Corporate Member or Platinum Partner, be an invited expert or a be a member of a Sister Organisation.

Please note in selecting your candidate(s) that this WG would benefit from a balance between technical, operational and biological expertise; the latter may come from outside the traditional PIANC membership perhaps as an invited expert (see below).

We remind you that in accordance with PIANC rules, the costs incurred in taking part in Working Group activities are borne by the member countries/organizations.

We thank you beforehand for your collaboration.

Yours sincerely,

Geert Van Cappellen, Secretary-General.

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