



WORLD ASSOCIATION FOR SEDIMENTATION  
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To: Members of WASER

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Dear colleagues and friends,

The COVID-19 pandemic is an unprecedented challenge to the entire human race. The World Association for Sedimentation and Erosion Research (WASER) is an independent international organization that is non-profit, non-political, non-governmental, and free of any racial, ethnic or gender prejudices. WASER fully supports WHO's commitment to public health, science, and to serving all the people of the world without fear or favour. Working together in solidarity without any discrimination based on race, nationality or ideology is the only way to win this fight against the coronavirus. As the president of WASER, I invite you to join our voices to combat against all forms of rumor, discrimination, and xenophobia related to the pandemic.

The COVID-19 pandemic is inflicting enormous disturbances on all aspects of our lives. On behalf of the Association's Officers and Council, I wish you and your loved ones good health and I hope you stay safe and protected. The Association will continue our services to the members through email, newsletters, and the WASER website (<http://www.waser.cn/>). I am pleased to inform you that the organization of the 15th International Symposium on River Sedimentation (15th ISRS) to be held in Florence in 2022 is being carried out as planned, and three issues of the International Journal of Sediment Research have been published despite the pandemic.

At this critical time, I call on all members to follow the guidelines and advices given by the WHO on how to control the COVID-19 pandemic, to support the measures to contain the virus put forward by the country you are staying in, and to provide all possible help and support to your country and the world in our fight against the coronavirus.

I hope everyone is doing well, and I hope everyone is doing what is needed to keep yourself and your family safe!

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Zhaoyin Wang". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Zhaoyin Wang  
President of WASER

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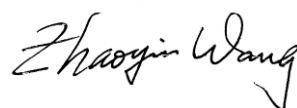
各位学会会员、各位朋友：

新冠病毒来势汹汹，这是一场需要我们全人类共同面对的前所未有的挑战。世界泥沙研究学会全力支持世界卫生组织对维护公众健康、尊重科学、无所畏惧和不偏不倚地为全世界人民服务的承诺。团结一致，不区别对待“不同民族、种族或意识形态”而共同努力，是赢得这场战斗的唯一途径。作为一个非营利、不分种族、不分性别、无民族偏见的民间社会团体的主席，我邀请您一同为终止2019冠状病毒大流行相关的一切谣言、歧视和排外现象发声。

全球性新冠病毒大流行正深刻影响着我们日常生活的方方面面，我谨代表学会管理层与理事，祝愿您健康，希望您和您关爱的人安好。学会将继续通过学会网站（<http://www.waser.cn/>）、简报和邮件为会员提供服务。我也很高兴地告诉大家，尽管受疫情干扰，计划于2022年在佛罗伦萨召开第十五次河流泥沙国际学术讨论会的筹备工作正按部就班推进，《国际泥沙研究》期刊已出版三期。

在这一特殊时期，我号召各位会员遵守世界卫生组织提出的相关防疫措施和建议，支持会员所在国抗击疫情的举措，为本国和世界抗疫提供力所能及的帮助和支持。

祝愿大家一切安好，尽其所能保障您和您家人的安全！



世界泥沙研究学会主席 王兆印

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