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**APWA and CPWA Sign International Partnership Agreement with ICLEI Mexico**

**KANSAS CITY, MO.** – The American Public Works Association (APWA) and the Canadian Public Works Association (CPWA) recently signed an international partnership agreement with the Gobiernos Locales Por La Sustentabilidad, Secretariado Para Mexico, Centroamérica Y El Caribe (ICLEI MECS) during the APWA 2015 International Public Works Congress & Exposition in Phoenix, Arizona. The international agreement establishes a strong partnership between the respective organizations and the countries they represent. The agreement’s common purpose is to enhance the quality of life by facilitating the exchange of ideas, information, technology, and management practices involved in the engineering and management services for public works infrastructure.

APWA and CPWA join together as a non-profit association of over 28,800 public works professionals in North America. They have teamed with ICLEI MECS, a subdivision of an organization that works with more than 1,300 members from 86 countries, representing more than 850 million people in several states and countries in Latin America and the rest of the world. ICLEI promotes local action for global sustainability, and is a nonprofit association dedicated to sensible, active and committed development in their work with different levels of local, regional and international government; to promote and foster sustainable development in local government programs, campaigns and strategic alliances; and develop and share knowledge in environmental issues and appropriate environmental technologies.

“The APWA-CPWA- ICLEI international partnership agreement connects the participating organizations to work internationally to identify ways to better serve all of the organizations and members, establish direct links to each organization’s respective web site, establish protocols for use of products and services, provide for improved communication between organizations,” said APWA President Brian Usher, PWLF.

More details about the APWA International Committee are on the APWA website at: [www.apwa.net](http://www.apwa.net). For media information, send queries to Laura Bynum, APWA Media Relations/Communications Manager by phone at: 202-408-9542, or email at: [lbynum@apwa.net](mailto:lbynum@apwa.net).

**About APWA**

*The American Public Works Association ([www.apwa.net](http://www.apwa.net)) is a not-for-profit, international organization of more than 28,800 members involved in the field of public works. Originally chartered in 1937, APWA serves its members by promoting professional excellence and public awareness through education, advocacy and the exchange of knowledge. With 63 chapters throughout North America, APWA is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri, and has an office in Washington, D.C.*