

Preface

The *2016 International Conference on Water Resource and Environment (WRE 2016)* was held from July 23rd to July 26th, 2016 in Shanghai, the biggest city in China and one of the largest urban areas in the world. The technical program comprised eleven international keynote speakers, four interesting oral presentation sessions and a stimulating poster session.

The key focus of the conference was on the areas “Wastewater and Water Treatment”, “Soil, Water and Environment” and “Water Resource and Hydrology”. A double presentation session was necessary for the latter area.

This volume is based on the proceedings of the WRE 2016 and contains 73 specially selected manuscripts submitted to the WRE 2016 conference. The electronic submission and handling of manuscripts via the conference website, including the selection of reviewers and evaluation of manuscripts, were comparable to the procedures usually applied to manuscripts submitted as regular contributions to high-ranking journals.

The organization of this conference and the preparation of this volume would have been impossible without the tremendous efforts and dedication of many individuals as well as a large team of reviewers. We express our sincere thanks to all authors and presenters for their valuable contributions.

The 2017 International Conference on Water Resources and Environment (WRE 2017) will be held in Qingdao, which is one of the most beautiful tourism cities in China. Everybody is welcome to submit high quality papers to WRE 2017!

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