

**The University of Lleida Foundation**, in conjunction with a number of other institutions, has planned the **Congress on Industrial and Agricultural Canals**. The congress aims to provide a forum at which specialists from different countries will be able to exchange their experiences relating to different **aspects of industrial and agricultural canals**, including:

1. **History of canals and their impacts on society (power and supply of water)**
2. **The different uses of canals and their impact on local landscapes, the environment and sustainability**
3. **The management and improvement of canals to meet energy needs**
4. **The importance of canals for regional economies and territorial development, and canals within the European Water Directives**

This event will provide an opportunity to exchange experiences, learn from the past and discover different points of view. The resulting experiences and ideas should form **the basis for new research** and help to implement existing findings. The idea of adopting a **multidisciplinary approach** comes from an interest in bringing together different (historical, technological, social, economic, political, environmental, etc.) perceptions of industrial and agricultural canals used to generate power and/or supply water.

Deadline for submitting abstracts: January 31<sup>th</sup> 2014

