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A new innovation challenge aims to optimize high-mountain reservoirs in hydropower plants

ennomotive, the leading open innovation platform for engineering challenges, just launched a competition to find alternative solutions to hydraulic dredging in the sediment removal process.

**Santiago de Chile, 1st August 2018.** The accumulation of sediments is a common problem in reservoirs used in run-of-river hydroelectric plants. And the most common practice is to remove those sediments with a boat that sucks out the sediments from the bottom using hydraulic dredging.

Leading companies in the power generation sector need to improve the efficiency of their infrastructures with a high commitment to protecting the environment and its natural resources.

The goal of this competition is to find a solution that maintains an active capacity of reservoirs above 70% during the entire year in run-of-river hydropower plants.

<u>This online competition is open worldwide</u> to any professional, student or Academia with a technical background in hydraulic works, water treatment, etc. that wants to propose a solution for this challenge.

Ennomotive offers 19,000 USD in prizes for the solutions that best meet the requirements for this competition. Interested participants should sign up at <a href="https://www.ennomotive.com">www.ennomotive.com</a> and submit their solution before 10th September.