



## Events since January 2011

("ctrl + click" on the following events for more information when available)

- [MDB-FIDIC Harmonized Major Works \(Construction\) Contract Conference \(Brussels, January 27-28, 2011\)](#)
- ICC Task Force on Public Procurement Meeting (Paris, Jan. 31, 2011)  
⇒ *ICC Public Procurement Task Force agreed to support CICA concerns on the fight against corruption and requested the additional support of the ICC Anti-Corruption on this issue.*
- Joint ICC-BIAC Meeting on Green Growth (Paris, February 9, 2011)
- [CICA Meetings with IDB and WB \(Washington, February 9-11, 2011\)](#)
- CICA's Mission in Asia (Feb. 20-25, 2011)  
⇒ *Meetings with the China International Contractors' Association (CHINCA), the Overseas Construction Association of Japan, Inc. (OCAJI) and two Chinese companies (Synohydro and CCCC).*
- Meeting on the World Bank Procurement Strategy "[Program-for-Results \(P4R\) Lending Instrument](#)" – (Paris, April 4, 2011)  
*Participants: Roger FISZELSON, Philippe LACOSTE*  
⇒ *Consultation of the Private Sector, with Joachim VON AMSBERG, World Bank Vice-President, Operations Policy and Country Services (OPCS) and Paul BERMINGHAM, Director, Operations Services, OPCS.*

March 16-19, 2011

## CICA Events in Rio

Hosted by the Brazilian Chamber of Construction Industry (CBIC)

March 16, 2011 Evening

### Welcome Cocktail

March 17, 2011

### Rio Board-Council Meeting

Main resolutions:

- Roger FISZELSON appointed as New CICA DG by interim
- Upcoming participation of CICA President Daniel TARDY in the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Infrastructure Investment & Construction Forum (Beijing, May 26-27, 2011)
- Approval of the "Construction Industry Sustainability Initiative" (CISI) presented by CICA VP Paulo SIMAO (Brazil), Chairman of CICA Sustainable Business WG
- CICA Meeting/Conference with African Development Bank to be organized in Tunis (2<sup>nd</sup> Semester 2011)
- CICA President's participation in the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Construction Chamber of Panama (CAPAC) – Panama, September 14-16, 2011
- Next CICA Board Meeting in Paris on October 20-21, 2011

**Presentations & Discussion on the PPPs (Fernando LAGO), "Well Prepared Project" (WPP) (Roger FISZELSON) and "Sustainable Development" (Paulo SIMAO)**

March 18-19, 2011

### Visits & Networking in Rio

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## Friends of CICA

1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2011 NEW Subscriptions: warmest welcome to CCA - Canadian Construction Association ([www.cca-acc.com](http://www.cca-acc.com)) as "Silver" Friend of CICA, and SEFI - French International Contractors ([www.sefrance.fr](http://www.sefrance.fr)) as "Golden" Friend of CICA.

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## CICA Working Groups

### ■ PPP Working Group (PPP WG)

Team Leader: Vincent PIRON, ex Business Development Director – VINCI Concessions.

⇒ CICA PPP WG is currently drafting the VADEMECUM on the Conditions of Success of PPPs.

### ■ Well Prepared Project Working Group (WPP WG)

Chairman: Michel DEMARRE, EIC President.

⇒ Discussion in progress on the Terms of Reference of the WPP WG with the World Road Association (PIARC) and FIDIC.

### ■ Sustainable Business Working Group

Chairman: CICA VP Paulo SIMAO.

⇒ CICA Board approved the action plan for the "Construction Industry Sustainability Initiative" (CISI), presented by CICA VP Paulo SIMAO.

⇒ Upcoming participation of CICA VP Paulo SIMAO in the UNEP 2011 Business and Industry Global Dialogue on "Strengthening the role of the private sector in the transition to a Resource Efficient and Green Economy: on the road to Rio+20", co-organized with ICC (Paris – Group La Poste, April 11-12, 2011).

### ■ Legal Working Group

Team Leader: vacant position since the departure of Jérôme BENET (SOGEA-SATOM) in April 2010.

⇒ CICA has launched a call for applications and Regional Federations have been requested to designate Experts to cope with important issues, such as the revision of the UNCITRAL Model Law on Procurement of Goods, Constructions and Services, as well as the revision of China's Offer to the World Trade Organization (WTO) on the Government Procurement Agreement (GPA).

⇒ Resolution of Rio Board-Council Meeting of March 17, 2011: the CICA Legal WG will be "put at sleep" if there is no further interest for it from Regional Federations.

## CICA Fight against Corruption

First step: **signature on September 30, 2009 of the CICA-FIDIC Joint Statement on Fighting Corruption in the Construction Sector.**

Following a number of meetings between MDBs' Head of Procurements, CICA and the International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC) which took place over the period 2006/2009, several adjustments to the General Conditions of Contract (GCCs) in the Multilateral Development Banks' Harmonized Master Procurement Document (MPD) for Civil Works were discussed.

Main clauses of the revised MPD issued in June 2010 were agreed, with a specific exception of the determination of corrupt practices by the sole Employer (GC 15.6).

A **CICA Position Paper** on such **Clause 15.6 on "Corrupt or Fraudulent Practices" of the MPD** was adopted by the Board on October 15, 2010 (the document is available on line on CICA website).

MDBs considered that contractors cannot enjoy the same prerogatives than sovereign countries, which means that symmetry to the treatment of fraud and corruption between the parties was not accepted by MDBs.

CICA always made clear that CICA is in total disagreement on clause 15.6 of the MPD.

CICA proposed to include in clause 15.6 of the MPD alternative proposals, such as the mirror clause or, at least, the possibility to involve a third party.

More generally, **CICA calls on MDBs to design and make provision in their procurement standard documents for active tools to Contractors to prevent and fight against corruption.**

CICA Position Paper was presented by Per Nielsen, President of the Joint FIEC/EIC Working Group "Ethics", during the **MDB-FIDIC Harmonized Major Works (Construction) Contract Conference (Brussels, January 27-28, 2011).**

In addition, the **ICC Public Procurement Task Force decided on January 31, 2011 to support CICA concerns on the fight against corruption** and requested the additional support of the ICC Anti-Corruption on this issue.

Next step: **advocate CICA Position on the fight against corruption to the G20 held under the French Presidency in 2011.**

## Upcoming Events

- [UNEP 2011 Business and Industry Global Dialogue on "Strengthening the role of the private sector in the transition to a Resource Efficient and Green Economy: on the road to Rio+20"](#), co-organized with ICC (Paris – Group La Poste, April 11-12, 2011)

*Participants: Paulo SIMAO, Philippe LACOSTE*

- [2011 NEPAD-OECD Conference on Mobilizing Investment in Infrastructure and Agriculture in Africa \(Dakar, April 26-27, 2011\)](#)

- G8 Meeting – PPP in Developing Countries (Paris, May 18, 2011)

- [2<sup>nd</sup> CHINCA's International Infrastructure Investment & Construction Forum \(Beijing, May 26-27, 2011\)](#)

*Participant: Daniel TARDY*

- [Mediterranean Infrastructure Challenges: the potential of PPPs \(9<sup>th</sup> FEMIP Conference – Casablanca, May 30, 2011\)](#)

*Participants: Vincent PIRON, Marc FRILET*

- [FIEC Annual Congress in Sofia \(June 16-18, 2011\)](#)

*Participants: Daniel TARDY, Roger FISZELSON*

- 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the [Construction Chamber of Panama \(CAPAC\)](#) – Panama, September 14-16, 2011

*Participants: Daniel TARDY and a FIIC Delegation*

- G20 – High Council for the Infrastructures, chaired by Tidjane THIAM, President of Prudential (date to be determined)

## What's New on [www.cica.net](http://www.cica.net)?

CICA has recently published on its website **Statistics gathering, analyzing & synthesizing information on Activity, Turnover and Employment in construction all over the world.**

In addition, a new study carried out by CICA Intern Alioune TOURE details the **statistics regarding construction projects financed by Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs).** These statistics (only for WB and ADB up to now) have been established according to data's provided by the MDBs. From these graphics, we can observe the evolution in financing for Infrastructure, especially in Energy-Transport- ICT-Water, in order to measure the stake of the construction industry.

⇒ Feel free to make any comments on these graphics.

CICA Statistics are available by clicking the "CICA Statistics" tab on the CICA website.

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**Goals and Objectives**

As a non-profit, voluntary and global association of trade associations representing member construction companies from their respective regions

- CICA represents and speaks for the construction industry in technical, legal and political matters of international concern and provides a forum for following, cooperation and interaction with member federations and related institutions.
- CICA is also acting as a Global for Contractors of all size and as a lobby at international level interacting with

## News from the Regional Federations

April 4, 2011

### **FIEC – FIEC President meets Transport Commissioner Kallas: “An ambitious transport policy requires the matching financial means!”**



Following a meeting of Confindustria Vice-President Cesare Trevisani with Commission Vice-President Siim Kallas, FIEC President Luisa Todini, having participated in this meeting, explained “We welcome the ambitious policy proposed in the Commission's White Paper for EU's transport up to 2050. However, more substantial resources are needed to implement this policy, in particular to fund the necessary infrastructure projects”.

According to the White Paper, the development of transport infrastructure over the 2010-2030 period is estimated to stand at €1.5 trillion and the realisation of the Trans-European Transport Network (TEN-T) alone, over the period 2014-2020, is estimated at €540 billion.

“To face the funding challenge, we need a stronger TEN-T budget line in the next Multi-Annual Financial Framework (post-2013) in order to mobilize other public and private financing sources”, stressed Todini. “Also, to ensure financial and planning coherence, the TEN-T budget line should be better coordinated with the EU Structural Funds and Cohesion Funds through increased inter-service coordination within the European Commission”.

In addition to ambitious European and national co-financing, Todini advocated the promotion of innovative financial instruments, such as PPPs, Infrastructure Project Bonds and transport charges earmarked for transport infrastructure, in order to encourage private sector participation and accelerate the completion of such projects.

FIEC supports the idea presented by the Commission to establish a “Core Network” of corridors ensuring efficient multi-modal links between EU capitals and other main cities, ports, airports and key cross-border sections, as well as other main economic centres, provided continuity with ongoing projects is ensured.

“The Core Network must also be linked with neighbouring regions”, Todini recalled “in the sense that EU growth is also closely related to its neighbours' growth potential”. In this regard, FIEC indicated that the future TEN-T policy has to be considered as a pillar of EU neighbouring policy.

In the context of infrastructure financing and construction, FIEC calls on the Commission to ensure a level playing field for EU and third country contractors, in particular in relation to state-owned and –aided contractors who have increased activity in the EU and neighbouring countries.

FIEC website: [www.fiec.eu](http://www.fiec.eu)

March 31-April 1, 2011

### **FIIC – FIIC LXIV Board Meeting in Mexico**

The Inter-American Federation of the Construction Industry (FIIC) held its LXIV Board Meeting in la Riviera Maya, Mexico, from March 31 to April 1, 2011.



*“ctrl + click” to be connected:* [Program of the FIIC LXIV Board Meeting](#)

FIIC website: [www.fiic.la](http://www.fiic.la)

March 6-11, 2011 in Hawaii

### **CCA - 93<sup>rd</sup> Annual Canadian Construction Association (CCA) Conference: “CCA to promote trade reciprocity”**



March 21 (Journal of Commerce): The Canadian Construction Association (CCA) has adopted a new policy position to promote the principle of reciprocity for construction firms involved in both the import and export of services at home and abroad.



"We are not being protectionist and want to compete with all comers. But, we feel the ability of foreign firms to work on projects in Canada should only be when host country projects also give Canadian contractors an opportunity," said Michael Atkinson, president of the CCA.

"It's all about reciprocity. The same access and ability should be provided to Canadian firms in that jurisdiction."

At the 93rd CCA annual convention in Hawaii, the International Business Committee passed a motion that foreign firms should only have access to publicly procured or funded projects in Canada, where their host countries offer reciprocal treatment to Canadian contractors.

"Reciprocity is paramount to the establishment and maintenance of a free flowing international system, both in terms of goods as well as services. CCA supports international trade agreements, including provisions respecting government procurement," said the new policy statement.

"In this context, CCA supports the equal opportunity and access to government procured or government funded infrastructure development and/or construction opportunities for foreign firms operating in Canada, provided reciprocal access is granted to Canadian firms in the respective foreign country."

The policy statement is designed to deliver this basic message to the federal and provincial governments, as well as CCA member associations.

"There is no question that the Canadian market is attracting more interest from foreign firms especially due to the P3's (public private partnerships) at the provincial level," said Atkinson. This has led to an increase in competition, which has led the CCA board to endorse this policy."

Atkinson said that the CCA believes that the trend towards more competition and P3s will only increase in the future.

"This policy has been prompted by what appears to the construction industry as an apparent attempt to attract foreign competition, especially with P3 projects," he said.

"In some cases it seems provincial governments are going out of their way to attract foreign contractors, especially because certain projects are being bundled to give them a certain mass, which means they are designed to attract foreign interest."

For this reason, the CCA argues that Canadian governments should take this issue into account, as part of the conditions for issuing these contracts.

"This is not pointing the finger at one country. We are just asking the question," said Atkinson.

"This policy statement is intended to be preemptive, as opposed to being a reaction to a particular tender or award process by another country. This is a case of fair trade, as it is as much to free trade."

CCA website: [www.cca-acc.com](http://www.cca-acc.com)

