



Rapport d'activités des CN 2013

2013 Activity Report of NCs

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Nombre the membres individuels / collectifs	Number of individual / collective members
1 regional authority (Province of Ontario) 18 collective members 13 individual members	

Organisation et structure	Organisation and structure
<p>Pending the signing of the memorandum of understanding between the World Road Association and the Transportation Association of Canada (TAC), TAC provides the secretariat for the CNC of the WRA.</p> <p>TAC is a national not-for-profit association with a mission to promote the provision of safe, secure, efficient, effective and environmentally and financially sustainable transportation services in support of Canada's social and economic goals. TAC is an exchange forum gathering the main entities of the public and private road sector in Canada. The mission and activities of TAC are consistent with, at a national level, those of the World Road Association and are implemented in accordance with the spirit and values of the World Road Association, i.e objectivity and impartiality.</p> <p>The CNC carries out the following tasks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disseminates to a national audience information provided by the WRA • Disseminates to an international audience, through the WRA, national or regional information about roads and road transport • Identifies and suggests experts to participate in the activities of the technical committees and working groups of the WRA, and provides support to those experts • Contributes views and national reports related to the activities of the WRA, at its request • Provides support, without financial commitment, to the organization and promotion of WRA events on Canada • Promotes in Canada the benefits of WRA membership • Manages collection of the WRA membership fees <p>The work of the CNC is overseen by a Governing Task Force (GTF). The GTF is composed of up to 22 members, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canada's First Delegate • Secretary General • One member from Transport Canada • One member appointed from each CNC-member provincial and territorial department of transport (maximum of 13) • One municipal member • One member from an institution of higher learning • Three members from the private sector • One individual member <p>Meetings of the Governing Task Force are held approximately every six months and are called by the Chair, or in the latter's absence, the Secretary General.</p>	

2. Conférences, séminaires, réunions des CT en 2013	2. Conferences, Seminars, TC meetings in 2013
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Organisation des CN: nationale/internationale	Organisation by NCs: national/international
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The CNC organized a special meeting of members in April 2013 to address the transfer of the secretariat from Transport Canada to the Transportation Association of Canada.

The CNC convened a meeting in September 2013, and addressed key issues as follows:

- Development of performance measures to assess success of the Governing Task Force
- Planning Canadian participation in the 14th Winter Road Congress
- Planning Canadian participation in the 25th World Road Congress
- Promoting WRA in Canada
- Improving dissemination of information from WRA in Canada
- Responding to requests for input from the WRA regarding:
 - A survey of young professionals
 - Efficiency in road programs, addressing restraint and stretching limited resources
- Raising an issue with the WRA regarding the development of work plans for technical committees including input from committee members

Also as part of the September 2013 CNC meeting, Canadian representatives on WRA technical committees provided an update on work in progress. Templates to formalize that reporting on a regular basis are being developed.

In 2014, TAC will celebrate its centennial. Opportunities to convene WRA meetings in Canada throughout the year, or in Montreal as part of the signature conference in September 2014, are being pursued.

Travail conjoint avec d'autres organisations nationales	Joint organisation with other national institutions
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In conjunction with TAC's Urban Transportation Council, a panel session was organized for the 2013 TAC Annual Conference that highlighted international and Canadian perspectives regarding innovations, challenges and opportunities in transportation funding and finance. The session built on discussions of a recent meeting of WRA Technical Committee 1.2 in Montreal.

Planning has begun for a WRA-focussed session to be convened in conjunction with the 2014 TAC Annual Conference. Asset management will be the general subject area and the session will be organized in conjunction with TAC's Chief Engineers' Council. Ongoing work of WRA Technical Committee 4.1 will be highlighted.

Travail conjoint avec d'autres CN	Joint organisation with other NC
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The Governing Task Force of the Canadian National Committee has invited a permanent observer from the Quebec Committee of the WRA.

Réunions des CT	TC meetings
WRA Technical Committee 1.2 met in Montreal, Quebec in March 2013 at the invitation of PIARC-Quebec.	

3. Publications en 2013	3. Publications in 2013
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Publications nationales, rapports	National publications, reports
Reports on activities of the CNC are provided in the national newsletter of the Transportation Association of Canada, which reaches approximately 3000 individuals every four months.	

Articles dans Routes/Roads	Articles in Routes/Roads

Bulletin national ou revue des CN	National newsletter or magazine of NCs

4. Soutien aux premiers délégués	4. Support to First Delegates
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Nomination des membres des CT	Nomination of TC members
Canada is represented on the technical committees of the WRA by 11 members and 6 corresponding members.	

Enquêtes et sondages	Surveys and questionnaires
<p>Surveyed members to identify young professionals to be contacted for ongoing work of the Communications Commission.</p> <p>Surveyed members regarding the issue of efficiencies in road programs for the WRA secretariat.</p>	

5. Congrès de l'AIPCR	5. PIARC Congresses
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Congrès international de la Viabilité hivernale, Andorre 2014 (participation, préparation)	2014 Winter Road Congress, Andorra (participation, preparation)
The GTF of the CNC has discussed Canadian participation at the 14th International Winter Road Congress in Andorra in February 2104. A delegation is expected.	

Congrès mondial de la route, Séoul 2015 (participation, préparation)	2015 World Road Congress, Seoul (participation, preparation)
The CNC is reviewing its participation in the Congress and will confirm the nature and level of involvement in 2014.	

6. Autres activités en 2012	6. Other activities in 2012
Assemblée générale, réunions avec les membres des CT, rencontres avec d'autres organisations nationales	
General Assembly, meetings with TC members, meetings with other national organisations	
<p>A special meeting of CNC members was convened in April 2013 in Ottawa, Ontario.</p> <p>Meetings of the Governing Task Force were held in Ottawa in April 2013 and in Winnipeg, Manitoba in September 2013.</p>	
Relations internationales	
International relations	
<p>Ms. Jane Weldon, First Delegate of Canada, and Mr. Jason Trotter, a CNC private sector member, attended the Executive Committee meeting held in Washington DC in February 2013.</p> <p>Ms. Weldon chairs the Communications Commission and serves as an <i>ex officio</i> member of the Strategic Planning Commission.</p> <p>Ms. Weldon, Mr. Michel Gravel (Secretary General of the CNC) and Dr. Jean-François Gysel (Vice Chair of the CNC Governing Task Force), will attend the Executive Committee meeting in Rome in November 2013.</p>	
Promotion de l'AIPCR	
Promotion of PIARC	
<p>Promotion of CNC and WRA technical activities is provided through a variety of channels supported by the Transportation Association of Canada, including newsletters, meetings, exhibit booths, and conference activities.</p>	
Site Internet des CN	
NCs' website	
<p>The CNC website is at http://www.cnc-piarc-aipcr.ca/en/</p> <p>The site will be incorporated into the main website of the Transportation Association of Canada in 2014.</p>	
Autres choses	
Other business	

RAPPORT DÉTAILLÉ SUR DES POINTS CULMINANTS**DETAILED REPORT ON HIGHLIGHTS****Background**

At its meeting in October 2012, the Board of Directors of the Transportation Association of Canada (TAC) passed a motion approving a 24 month pilot of the TAC supporting the Canadian National Committee (CNC) of the World Road Association, subject to a feasible cost-recovery model, which was developed and supported by the Board in April 2013. The Board also requested that a value proposition be developed for TAC members. Since that time, a memorandum of understanding was established in accordance with Transport Canada, TAC and the World Road Association, confirming TAC as the provider of secretariat services for the Canadian National Committee. The MOU is expected to be signed at the fall meeting of the WRA Council.

This report provides an update on work to date and an overview of CNC activities.

National Committee Activities

In supporting the Canadian National Committee of the World Road Association, TAC has agreed to carry out the following tasks:

- Disseminate to a national audience information provided by the World Road Association;
- Disseminate to an international audience, through the World Road Association, national or regional information about roads and road transport;
- Assist the First Delegate of Canada by:
 - Identifying and suggesting experts who will participate in the activities of technical committees and working groups of the World Road Association, and then providing support to those experts;
 - Contributing views and national reports related to the activities of the World Road Association, and at its request.
- Provide support – without financial commitment – to the organization and promotion of events such as seminars, the hosting of technical committee meetings or other World Road Association events in Canada;
- Promote, in Canada, the benefits of World Road Association membership for both individual and collective members;
- Manage collection of the World Road Association membership fees;
- Prepare an annual activity report for the annual meeting of the Conference of National Committees.

Membership

Membership on the Canadian National Committee is by individual, collective agency or regional authority.

At this time, membership status is as follows:

- 10 (of a possible 12) provinces and territories have paid 2013 fees
- 1 municipality has paid 2013 fees
- 8 private sector firms have paid 2013 fees
 - o 4 more are considering the merits
- 13 individuals have paid 2013 fees
 - o 4 more are considering the merits.

In the coming months, efforts will be made to promote awareness of the World Road Association and

the benefits of participation, with the intention of expanding the membership. A review of the fee structure is also planned for the coming year, with the objective of increasing TAC's net revenue.

Governing Task Force

In April 2013, at a special meeting of members of the CNC, it was agreed by motion that in recognition of:

- Transport Canada's conclusion of its support of the Canadian National Committee of the World Road Association, and
- Agreement of the Transportation Association of Canada to serve as the Canadian National Committee for a minimum of two years,

the Board of Directors of the Canadian National Committee of the World Road Association be dissolved and reconstituted as a Governing Task Force reporting to the Board of Directors of the Transportation Association.

Terms of reference for the Task Force have been approved. Roles and objectives include:

- To identify issues that should be raised by Canada at the World Road Association;
- To assist with the collection and compilation of information about roads and road transport in Canada for sharing with the WRA;
- To assist with the identification of experts to participate in the activities of the technical committees and working groups of the WRA;
- To receive reports from Canadian members on WRA technical committees;
- To encourage collaboration between TAC and WRA technical committees;
- To provide advice and guidance with respect to the organization and promotion of WRA events and meetings in Canada;
- To assist with the planning and organization of sessions about WRA topics to be held in conjunction with the annual TAC conference;
- To provide advice and guidance with respect to the organization of Canadian participation in Winter and World Road Congresses;
- To provide advice and guidance about the value of CNC and WRA participation, so as to assist in promoting involvement in the organization and determining membership fees;
- To liaise with provincial and territorial transportation associations;
- To regularly liaise with the Quebec Committee of the WRA;
- To review the role and mandate of the Governing Task Force on a regular basis to ensure that it supports the objectives of Canadian National Committee, the World Road Association and TAC.

2013/2014 Activities in Support of the Canadian National Committee

In collaboration with the Transportation Finance Standing Committee of the Urban Transportation Council, a panel session was organized for the 2013 TAC Annual Conference that highlighted international and Canadian perspectives regarding innovations, challenges and opportunities in transportation funding and finance. Drawing on discussions of a recent meeting of WRA Technical Committee 1.2 in Montreal on Transportation Financing, the session included presentations from Translink, Agence métropolitaine de transport, Metrolinx, and the Canadian Council for Public Private Partnerships.

At the fall meeting of the CNC Governing Task Force, planning also began for a WRA-focussed session to be convened in conjunction with the 2014 TAC Annual Conference. Asset management will be the general subject area and the session will be organized in conjunction with TAC's Chief Engineers' Council. Ongoing work of WRA Technical Committee 4.1 will be highlighted.

Options to include meetings of WRA committees during the TAC centennial celebrations in 2014 are being pursued.

Canadian members of the technical committees of the WRA were invited to attend the Governing

Task Force meeting in Winnipeg, where they reported on the work being undertaken within their respective committees as part of 2012-2015 strategic cycle. Approaches to formalize the engagement of those members and the connections with related TAC committees are being developed.

In past years, a reception for Canadian attendees at the Transportation Research Board Annual Meeting in Washington DC has been organized under the banner of the CNC. The event has been very well attended and supported by significant sponsorship. As 2014 events are already planned to focus on TAC's centennial, it has been agreed that a reception will not be organized in 2014 but will be considered again for 2015.

No Canadian exhibit is anticipated as part of the 14th Winter Road Congress in Andorra. Coordination of participating Canadians is planned and an informal networking event is expected.

Discussions are underway about Canadian participation in the 25th World Road Congress and a decision will be made soon about hosting a Canadian Pavilion or smaller exhibit. Coordination of a Canadian delegation to the major event is also planned.

Assessment of TAC Role in Supporting the Canadian National Committee

As part of the initial work of the Governing Task Force, performance measures will be developed that will allow the Task Force itself, as well as the Board of Directors, to determine:

- if the pilot of TAC providing the secretariat services for the CNC has been successful, and
- the value proposition to members.

These measures will be recommended to the TAC Board in April 2014.