

**Transparency International Canada**  
**Report of National Coordinator – 2001**

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Transparency International Canada (TI-Canada) played an active role in the anti-corruption movement in 2001:

At the end of 2001, there were 85 Charter, Government, NGO, Business/Professional, and Individual members of TI-Canada (5 Charter; 2 Government; 9 NGO; 4 Business/Professional; and 65 Individual). In 2000, we also had 85 members. We gained 1 NGO and 19 Individual members; we lost 7 Charter and 5 Individual members, overall; we are waiting for payments from an additional 1 NGO and 8 Individual members, which may or may not come through.

TI-Canada began a second three-year Contribution Agreement with the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), in 2001, for a total of \$100,000. 2001 was a particularly challenging year, with the loss of seven Charter Members. Revenues from the public sector thus represented 47% of the membership and contribution revenues, as opposed to approximately 30% last year. In order to balance shared revenues among our coalition of private, public and civil society members, TI-Canada is working on increasing private sector membership.

TI-Canada's main activities, in 2001, included:

- participation by National Coordinator, Bronwyn Best, in Canadian Centre for Foreign Policy Development (CCFPD - part of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade) Roundtable on "Good Governance and the Philippines," in Ottawa, 16 March
- Board Member, P. K. Pal, provided evidence on the issue of corruption before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs and International Trade, in Ottawa, 22 March
- presentation by Bronwyn Best on Integrity Pacts at Transparency Symposium 2001, in Tokyo, 11 April
- participation by Chair and President, Wesley Cragg, in the Canadian Foundation for the Americas forum, "International Forum: Trade and Prosperity at the Summit of the Americas in Quebec City," in Montreal, 18 April, and the civil society meetings of the Summit of the Americas, in Quebec City, 20 – 22 April
- presentations in Toronto (24 April) and Ottawa (25 April) by Ishola Williams, Secretary General, Transparency In Nigeria, "Transforming politics and resources to reduce corruption and conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa"
- 7 May, TI-Canada Fourth Annual General Meeting and Symposium on "Corruption, Money Laundering and the Role of Financial Institutions"
- Bronwyn Best chaired workshop on "Corporate Social Responsibility," during CIDA International Cooperation Days, in Ottawa, 18 June

- Bronwyn Best was lead-off speaker for CCFPD Roundtable on “International Corruption,” in Ottawa, 21 June
- co-ordinator and co-chair for 10<sup>th</sup> IACC workshop, “Countering Private Sector Corruption: What can business schools do?”; co-coordinator and co-chair for workshop, “Cutting corruption in the oil, gas and mining sectors”; co-coordinator and chair for workshop, “Promoting Integrity in Government”; TI-Canada members were also speakers or coordinators/chairs in the following workshops, “Building Ethics in the Public Service,” “Creating an Anti-Corruption Ethos: Civil Society and Donors Working Together,” “Private Sector Corruption: Is it a matter of public policy and how can the private sector protect itself?” “Ethics Counsellors in the Public Sector: Are they part of the solution?” “Reinforcing Parliamentary Oversight: The role of NGOs, the press, the political parties and the private sector.”
- presentation by Bronwyn Best, “Handling Business Risks in Areas of Endemic Bribery and Corruption,” at CIDA International Development Days, in Winnipeg, 16 November
- Vice Chair, Michael Davies, coordinated TI's input to the OECD Phase II review of Finland, in Finland, in November
- Wesley Cragg continues to chair the TI code-building process
- P. K. Pal worked with Export Development Canada, which now includes an anti-corruption clause in their contracts with clients.

These activities, among other ongoing activities, reflect TI-Canada’s mandate to work with the Canadian government in a variety of ways, cooperate with the Transparency International Secretariat and carry out bilateral activities with other National Chapters.

During 2001, TI-Canada produced three Newsletters, held five Board Meetings and created a restructured Membership Committee, chaired by John McWilliams. Our web site continues to evolve, and we invite you to visit [www.transparency.ca](http://www.transparency.ca), along with the site of the Transparency International Secretariat, [www.transparency.org](http://www.transparency.org)

Respectfully submitted,

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