

**Transparency International Canada**  
**Thirteenth Annual General Meeting**  
**Report of Executive Director on work of TI-Canada – 2009**

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Overall TI-Canada membership grew to 110, in 2009, with 5 Charter, 3 Business/Professional, 1 Government, 1 Crown Corporation, 8 Voluntary Sector, 83 Individual and 9 Student Members. In 2009, TI-Canada was successful at attaining charitable status, allowing the organization to access funds from foundations and to provide charitable receipts.

2009 was a busy year. Some highlights include:

- Participation by former TI-Canada Chair and President, Wes Cragg, in the Phase 2B workshop of the Nigeria Project, in Port Harcourt, Nigeria, in January. This workshop, targeting local government officials and civil society organizations, is part of a long-term TI-Canada/Transparency In Nigeria project to introduce TI's Integrity Pact tool into future community development projects funded by oil and gas revenues, in the Niger Delta;
- Co-hosting of a Members Only breakfast event with ethicscentre.ca. Cliff Sosnow and Prakash Narayanan, of the law firm of Blake, Cassels & Graydon, presented "Balancing Act – Anti-Bribery Laws in International Business";
- Completion of two study tours of senior auditors and other government officials from Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region and Beijing, to Victoria, Edmonton, Ottawa and Toronto, as well as the Final Seminar and Training, by three TI-Canada representatives, in performance auditing of 120 auditors in Yinchuan, Ningxia Hui, for Policy Option Project (POP), "Establishing the Long-term Mechanism for Anti-Corruption Supervision and Formulating the Performance Audit Measures for Public Financial Funds of Ningxia Hui Autonomous Region";
- TI-Canada's annual symposium, "Aid vs. Corruption: Getting your dollars to the world's poor," held on 10 June, at the Munk Centre for International Studies, University of Toronto;
- Awarding of third POP project, "Strengthening the Anti-Corruption Legal Framework to Promote Clean Local Governments." Two TI-Canada officials participated in the Work Planning Mission to Shanghai, in July, and TI-Canada carried out the First Study Tour with officials from the Chinese partner organization, Office for International Cooperative Research, Development Research Center of Shanghai Municipality, and other officials, to Montreal, Ottawa and Toronto, in November;
- Preparation of the Canadian contribution to the 2009 Progress Report on OECD Convention Enforcement by TI-Canada Board Members Bruce Futterer and James Klotz, along with TI Individual Member, Michael Davies;
- Contribution to the TI G8 Progress Report, and participation in the international "2010 G8 & G20 Working Group Meeting," in Ottawa, in October; with the G8

- G20 meetings to be held in Huntsville and Toronto in 2010, TI-Canada has helped TI to formulate the Governance/Anti-Corruption section of the “Common Lobbying Positions” of the G8 & G20 Working Group;
- Participation in the Second International Meeting of Publish What You Pay, held in Montreal, in November, joining 200 other stakeholders, from 50 countries, examining the role of transparency in extractive sector accountability;
  - Completion of paper “Confronting Corruption Using Integrity Pacts: The Case of Nigeria,” by Drs. Wes Cragg and Uwafiokun Idemudia of York University, and Bronwyn Best, ED, TI-Canada, for inclusion in Crime and corruption in organizations: Why it happens and what to do about it, edited by Ronald J. Burke, Edward C. Tomlinson and Cary L. Cooper;
  - Participation by TI-Canada representative, from TI-Canada member Sheldon Chumir Foundation for Ethics in Leadership, in Suncor Energy’s Stakeholder Engagement Dialogue, in Calgary, in December. This was arranged by Ceres, a network of investors, environmental organizations and other public interest groups, which works with companies and investors to address sustainability challenges;
  - Participation by the Chair and President and the Executive Director in the TI International Members’ Meeting, in Berlin, in October.

Two *TI-Canada Newsletters* were produced, and TI-Canada launched fund raising efforts, expected to bear fruit in 2010/2011. We are very grateful to Mary Amati and the Business Ethics Office at the Schulich School of Business, York University, for their many in-kind contributions on behalf of TI-Canada, as well as Gowling Lafleur Henderson for their on-going work towards the registration of the TI and TI-Canada logos, in Canada.

Respectfully submitted,



Bronwyn Best