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Other news from the National front...ReNew Canada organised a roundtable discussion on August 18th to which Reg Andres, Chair CSCE Infrastructure Committee and co-Chair of the NRTSI participated. Key professional and trade associations, and think-tank representatives discussed Canada's infrastructure post-ISF. The outcome of this roundtable will be available shortly at RenewCanada.net.

Finally, BC continues to move ahead of the pack with its infrastructure asset management activities. The Local Government Asset Management Working Group (LGAM-WG) received funding from the BC Government and Infrastructure Canada to do a survey of asset management readiness in the province. The contract has been awarded and work has commenced. Indian and Northern Affairs (INAC) BC region, following the development of a First Nations specific asset management framework, has moved into piloting the framework in four BC communities. If you want to learn more about BC activities, attend the October 16, 2009 workshop on asset management activities in Vancouver organised by the BC LGAM-WG—you will also be treated to a talk from Australia's Public Works Engineers Association, Chris Champion. By the way, it's a great time to be in BC since TAC has its conference a few days later. Or maybe you prefer to fly a bit south and attend the Transportation Research Board Asset Management conference in Portland, Oregon

As always, your local or regional activities are always welcome at this Infrastructure Communiqué so keep your news coming. ■

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Autres nouvelles : ReNew Canada a organisé le 18 août une table ronde à laquelle participait Reg Andres, président du comité des infrastructures de la SCGC et co-président de la table ronde nationale. Des professionnels ainsi que des représentants d'associations et de divers groupes de réflexion ont parlé des infrastructures du Canada après le Fonds de stimulation de l'infrastructure. Les résultats de cette table ronde seront disponibles sur le site web RenewCanada.net.

Enfin, la Colombie-Britannique continue d'ouvrir la marche en matière de gestion des infrastructures. Le groupe de travail sur la gestion des actifs par les gouvernements locaux a reçu une aide financière du gouvernement provincial et d'Infrastructure Canada pour faire une enquête sur leur capacité dans le domaine. Le contrat a été attribué et le travail a débuté. Suite à l'élaboration d'un cadre de gestion des actifs propre aux Premières nations, la direction régionale du ministère du Nord et des Affaires indiennes a entrepris de piloter la mise en œuvre de ce cadre dans quatre communautés de Colombie-Britannique. Pour en savoir plus sur ce qui se passe en C.-B., participez à l'atelier du 16 octobre 2009, à Vancouver, organisé par le groupe de travail de C.-B. sur la gestion des actifs. Vous y entendrez une allocution de Chris Champion, de la « Public Works Engineers Association » d'Australie. En outre, c'est le bon moment pour aller en Colombie-Britannique, puisque le CAT y tiendra son congrès dans les jours suivants. Vous pourrez également aller un peu plus au sud et assister au congrès du « Transportation Research Board » qui aura lieu à Portland, dans l'Oregon.

Comme d'habitude, nous publions dans ce communiqué les activités locales ou régionales que vous portez à notre attention. ■

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This was the second International Historic Site ceremony this year, following the joint CSCE/ICE ceremony in St. John's in June and was the first time that CSCE had joined with TWO other Engineering Societies in commemorating an International Historic Civil Engineering Project.

The National History Committee would like to extend their thanks to David Gilbert of ASCE's History and Heritage Committee for his extensive research on George Vancouver's voyage and his liaison with AIC and also to Dr. Barbara Lence and Dr. Andrew Wood for their outstanding work in organizing this event. ■

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Le comité des affaires historiques remercie David Gilbert, du comité des affaires patrimoniales et historiques de l'ASCE, pour ses recherches exhaustives sur le voyage de George Vancouver, et pour son travail de liaison avec l'AIC. Le comité remercie également le professeur Barbara Lence et le professeur Andrew Wood pour leur travail dans l'organisation de cette initiative. ■



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