

WFEO CAC KYOTO GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2013-2015 REPORT



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WFEO Standing Committee on Anti-Corruption (WFEO-CAC)

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This report to the General Assembly gives a brief outline of the activities that the Committee has performed from 2013 to 2015. It also gives a brief background of the Committee as well as a strategic focus of the intended direction of its future. The Engineering Council of Zimbabwe is the host of the Anti-Corruption Committee (CAC) for the review period. Zimbabwe has submitted a proposal to continue to chair and host the Committee for the next term. The Committee has resolved to change its name to (Engineering) Ethics and Transparency. This new name is being tabled for approval at the 2015 WFEO General Assembly in Kyoto, Japan.

2.0 EXECUTED AND PLANNED ACTIVITIES

This progress report will cover the activities of the biennial period 2013 to 2015.

- Ethics and Anti-Corruption workshops have been done in Nigeria (WECSI 2014), Portugal (Anti-Corruption training and Workshop December 2015), Tunisia, South Africa, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The Committee held meetings and training sessions at all the WFEO Exco meetings in Paris in March 2013, 2014 and 2015. Neill Stansbury, Emilio Colon, Kamel Ayadi and Eng. Martin Manuhwa presented the workshop material on ISO37001 and Ethics and Transparency Prevention in Infrastructure in the Workshops.
- ISO 37001: WFEO through CAC has been granted liaison status by ISO to participate in the development of the proposed new anti-bribery standard ISO 37001. Martin and Kamel are WFEO's representatives on the ISO committee, and Kamel has been attending all ISO 37001 meetings held in the Spain, USA and France. The intention is that ISO 37001 will be a management system standard and will be used alongside other quality, environmental and safety standards (e.g. 9001, 14001, 18001).
 - (a) The third ISO working group meeting was held in Miami in September 2014. 65 people attended it from 17 countries. The draft standard was debated over four days, and amendments were agreed.
 - (b) The fourth ISO working group took place over five days in Paris at the end of March 2015. The purpose was to debate the revised draft taking into account the Miami discussions. 80 people from 22 countries attended.
 - (c) Assuming that a consensus is successfully achieved on the wording of the standard and all related issues, then it is hoped that the standard will be published during 2016.
- A meeting was held in Harare in 2013 with CoST - Construction Sector Transparency Initiative to discuss their intention to join the WFEO as a member of the CAC Committee. This is still work in progress.
- In collaboration with WFEO CAC, the Southern African Federation of Engineering Organisation (SAFE0) and the Engineering Institution of Zambia (EIZ) organised the Engineers Without Borders (EWB) Conference (29 April to 2 May 2015). The Conference was officially opened by the Vice President of Zambia, Hon. Inonge Wina (Who was Acting President). In his speech, His Excellency Edgar Lungu, President of Zambia challenged engineers to take a leading role in driving the development agenda of the nation. The theme of the conference is "engineering knowledge creation, sharing and collaboration".
 - The Royal Academy of Engineering's Enriching Engineering Education in Africa held their Steering Committee Meeting at the Conference and its participants resolved to work as a region to create proposal to continue with the project.
 - WFEO CAC presented a workshop papers on ISO37001, Prevention of Corruption in Infrastructure and on High Quality Engineering Curricula for a SADC Qualification Framework to improve Mobility and Ethics training in Engineering.



The acting President of Zambia, Hon. Inonge Wina, pauses with WFEO, FAEO and SAFE0 officials soon after officially opening the Engineers Without Borders Conference in Livingstone. The WFEO CAC held a successful Anti-Corruption workshop during that conference.

- The Committee Website was designed and is now on the WFEO main Website since April 2014. The website is dynamic and is continuously being updated by the interactions of the Committee and the WFEO Secretariat in Paris.

- The Committee in collaboration with WFEO Capacity Building was involved in the hosting of the UNESCO Africa Engineering Week in various parts of Africa. The Committee Chair and secretary took part in the launch activities in Johannesburg, South Africa from 1-5 September 2014. The Committee together with the Engineering Council of Zimbabwe, the Zimbabwe Institution of Engineers and the WFEO Capacity Building Committee hosted this year's edition of the UNESCO Africa Engineering Week in Victoria Falls from 14-19 September 2015. Over 500 delegates attended it. The theme was Engineering Innovation for Accelerated Infrastructure Development for Africa, Post 2015. The Committee held an Anti-corruption Workshop, which was attended by cabinet ministers, delegates from all over Africa and school children.



The Vice President of the Republic of Zimbabwe, Hon. E D Mnangagwa (centre) accompanied by two Ministers Professor Moyo of Higher and Tertiary Education, Science and Technology Development and Hon. S Kasukuwere of Local Government, Public Works and National Housing and delegates of the UNESCO Africa Engineering Week at the Elephant Hills Resort, Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe.

- WORLD JUSTICE PROJECT - The World Justice Forum V has been rescheduled for summer 2016, in collaboration with The Dickson Poon School of Law at King's College London. During the Forum, over 500 leaders from business, civil society, government, academia, the media, and more will gather to explore and share strategies for advancing the rule of law worldwide. Participants from more than 100 countries are expected to incubate new programs, exchange insights, collaborate on innovative rule of law scholarship and activities, and expand their global networks. The WFEO CAC is a partner of the WJP and has participated in all their events including in the launches of the Rule of Law Index – the 2015 ROL index was launched in June in Washington DC.



The World Justice Project WJP Founder and CEO William H. Neukom who opened World Justice Forum IV in The Hague, Netherlands in 2013, with a presentation of an overview of the centuries of global discourse that make up the foundations of the rule of law, and visual examples of the impact of the rule of law in areas ranging from engineering, public health to education and economic development.

- The Global Infrastructure Anti-corruption Centre (GIACC) has been our WFEO CAC Committee training flagship and they have continued to develop training materials and resources, provide anti-corruption training workshops internationally, and make their training materials and resources available for use by WFEO.

3.0 INTERNATIONAL ALLIANCES AND PRESENCE

WFEO encourages all of its international and national members to contribute to global efforts to establish a sustainable, equitable and peaceful world by providing an international perspective and enabling mechanisms. To this end our committee is in contact with national members and other international organizations. Several anti-corruption initiatives have been established in the international construction and engineering industry namely:

- ACET - Global Anti-Corruption Education & Training Project.
- CIECI - Construction Industry Ethics & Compliance Initiative.

- CoST - Construction Sector Transparency Initiative.
- FIDIC - International Federation of Consulting Engineers.
- GIACC - Global Infrastructure Anti-Corruption Centre.
- UK Anti-Corruption Forum.
- WEF PACI - World Economic Forum – Partnering against Corruption Initiative.
- UNESCO – Africa Engineering Week and Ethics in Education ETICO program has agreed to work with the Committee on Ethics Curricula in Engineering and other activities.
- ISO – ISO37001 Anti-bribery Standard.

Good partnerships have been developed with the World Justice project, UNDP, Foundation for the Future, and Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands, World Bank, GIACC, ISO and ACET. These partnerships are effective and have led to on the ground programs. Alliances and partnership are crucial in addressing corruption. The committee has joined a large number of initiatives initiated by international organisations to address corruption.

4.0 CAC STRATEGY AND PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF PROGRESS

Our vision is to promote zero tolerance to corruption and to advocate for the eradication of corrupt practices in engineering projects and practice through the enforcement of sound management systems and ethical professional practice.

Our Mission Statement is to execute a thematic, results-oriented program for 2014-2017 that raises ethics and corruption prevention awareness and increases the understanding of the global, regional, engineering and policy issues and solutions for the combating of corruption in infrastructure and other vital services.

The STC Activities as based on the themes indicated earlier in the Strategic Plan are as follows:

- Encouraging and supporting CAC theme leaders to organize international webinars, workshops and seminars related to their work within the strategic plan.
- Developing and promoting Anti-corruption policies, strategies and practices to combat corruption.
- Drafting practice guidelines and policies related to Anti-Corruption for the consideration and approval of the WFEO Executive Council and WFEO members. The Committee has developed WFEO suite of Anti-Corruption policies that have been adopted by the last General Assembly and is now part of the ISO Anti-Bribery Standard ISO 37001 development team.
- Participating as the WFEO representative in the UN System and representing WFEO at meetings relating to corruption and professional practices.
- Representing the CAC as one of the WFEO delegates on issues to do with ethics, professional practice and anti-corruption. Several meetings are lined up for anti-corruption awareness at WFEO Executive Committee and other gatherings.
- Communicating to the WFEO and the international community on the work of the CAC. This is done through various media including WFEO and GIACC Web-sites and articles in various WFEO member newsletters about our activities are being published online.

5.0 CAC MILESTONES AND LESSONS LEARNED

We have learnt a lot of lessons on how to handle apathy by National Members one key one being that we must always ensure there are Ethics and Transparency Workshops and Presentations at every National Member's Annual Event or Conference. Our overall framework of strategic monitoring and evaluation will be based on the criteria given below.



Figure 1: Key Milestones 2013-2015

Zimbabwe is eligible to host the Committee for the next 4year period and we have forwarded our proposal and strategic plan to this effect. The Committee has been active and has the full support of the Engineering Council of

Zimbabwe and its partners. World Regional structures have been formed and are now being operationalized. They are as follows

The Committee has put in place the following Structure with Regional Sub-Committees so as to effectively spread its activities across the globe to reflect WFEO's Vision of Zero Tolerance to Corruption in Infrastructure Development. The regions are (i) Europe, (ii) North and South America (iii) Asia, Australia and New Zealand (iv) Africa and Middle East.

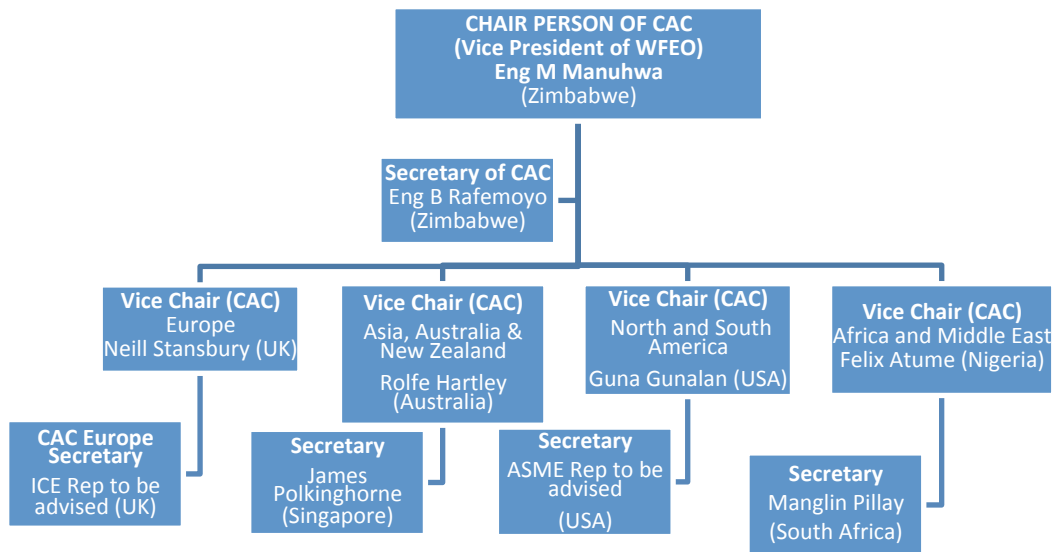


Fig. 2 The organogram of CAC

6.0 CONCLUSION - PROJECTIONS FOR 2016 AND BEYOND

Corruption kills as it depletes resources meant for economic development. It occurs throughout the project life cycle and can affect all the listed topics; our committee proposes the use of anti-corruption systems in projects to combat corruption. The proposed projects below, if adopted by the General Assembly will go a long way to add to the ethics and transparency agenda of WFEO. Zimbabwe will push the projects below during its second term of the standing committee hosting. Enough resources will be sourced for the implementation.

• **ANTI-BRIBERY CERTIFICATION FOR WFEO AND ITS NATIONAL MEMBERS – ISO 37001**

Dealing with corruption and bribery should be WFEO's top priority. In the new age of tougher enforcement and peer-centred lack of tolerance of corruption and bribery, WFEO has the opportunity to show leadership.

WFEO could be the first of the engineering organisations to have certified Anti-bribery Management System in place for its operations. This would demonstrate its commitment to good governance and business ethics.

Steps for WFEO to follow:

1. WFEO adopts an Anti-Corruption and bribery policy at the next General Assembly.
2. WFEO becomes certified under ISO 37001 once it is approved. ISO 37001 is based on BS 10500
3. WFEO promotes that all of its members become certified under ISO 37001.

• **CREATION OF A GUIDE CODE OF BEST PRACTICE OF PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS FOR WFEO NATIONAL MEMBERS.**

A sub-committee has been set up and will present a report by next WFEO GA. Members are required to send the procurement systems in place in their Countries. This will be used as a basis for the proposed guide code of best practice of procurement systems for WFEO.

• **WFEO REPORTING AND INVESTIGATION PROCEDURE**

The committee is committed to WFEO investigation procedures whose purpose and scope is to ensure that:

- Any person standing for or holding any executive office within WFEO is a suitable person for such office, and acts in accordance with the highest standards, and
- WFEO correctly follows its Constitution and Rules of Procedure i.e. any complaints against any such person, or any breach of the Constitution and Rules of Procedure, can be appropriately reported, investigated and dealt with.