

## **Note from the Chair for the March 14, 2013 Steering Group Meeting**

March 7, 2013

Dear colleagues,

Next week we will have an opportunity to discuss work plans, continuing our discussion on international cooperation and implementation from our last meeting. Other agenda items include a proposal for a project on corporate social responsibility and consideration of the 2015 annual conference applicants.

If you would like to include additional items for discussion, please contact the ICN Secretariat (Secretariat.ICN@bc-cb.gc.ca) by Tuesday, March 12.

### Work Plans

At next week's meeting, the Horizontal Coordinator and Vice Chair Andreas Mundt will lead a first discussion on the Working Groups' three-year work plans. We will focus on crosscutting issues across the plans, including promoting implementation of existing work product, identifying areas for work on international cooperation, proposed types of ICN work product across groups, and outreach to new members and NGAs.

The draft work plans and a discussion document will be circulated in advance of the meeting.

### Proposal for Corporate Social Responsibility Project

Our colleagues from Spain's Comision Nacional de la Competencia have asked if they can present a proposal, included with the documents for this meeting, for an ICN project on corporate social responsibility. The project proposes using anticompetitive conduct violations as part of corporate ethical indices. Unless I hear otherwise from members of the Steering Group, I will invite them to join our meeting.

### Annual Conference 2015

The Secretariat will present the applicants to host the 2015 annual conference. If there is consensus around a particular candidate, we should plan to confirm the host at our meeting.

Other Business

One representative from each of the Working Groups should plan to provide a very brief update on what we might expect for written work product for the Warsaw meeting, and whether we will be reviewing a particular product at the April 3 or the April 10 meeting.

I look forward to speaking with all of you next week.

With best regards,

Eduardo