

Australia (and New Zealand)

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| 2. Conférences, séminaires, réunions des CT | 2. Conferences, Seminars, TC meetings |
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| Organisation des CN: national/international | Organisation by NC: national/international |
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| Travail conjoint avec d'autres organisations nationales | Joint organisation with other national institutions |
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Austrroads has extensive links with other organisations in Australia and New Zealand.

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| Travail conjoint avec d'autres CN | Joint organisation with other NC |
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No joint organisation was undertaken with other national committees.

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| Réunion des CT | TC meetings |
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Australia and/or New Zealand are represented, either as full or corresponding members, on 17 PIARC technical committees.

Australia has hosted three PIARC technical committee meetings in the current cycle. A meeting of committee 4.1 – Management of Road Infrastructure Assets was held in Brisbane in October 2004 in conjunction with the International Conference on Pavements.

A meeting of committee 2.2 Inter Urban Roads and Integrated Interurban Transport met in Adelaide in April.

A meeting of committee 3.3 – Road Tunnel Operations was held in Sydney in May 2005. A workshop was held in conjunction with the meeting. Twenty four committee members and forty external people attended as well as a number of the local road authority staff. The meetings were well received. The papers presented at the meeting are available on CD.

Australian and New Zealand representatives were also heavily involved in the organisation of a seminar on road pricing being held in Cancun, Mexico on 14 and 15 April as a joint initiative of committee 1.1 Road System Economics and 1.2 Financing Road System Investment.

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| 3. Publications en 2005 | 3. Publications in 2005 |
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| Publications nationales, rapports | National publications, reports |
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Austrroads has arranged with ARRB (the technical research body in Australia) to transfer all PIARC publications received by the national office to the ARRB library. In this way they are available for loan to staff of member organisations and their availability publicised through the ARRB Bulletin. Austrroads coordinated the ordering of copies of the new PIARC Road Safety Manual for Australasian jurisdictions.

Austrroads itself publishes a large reports and guides covering the full range of road authority operation. In October 2004 a new publications website was established through which all publications can be obtained in either hardcopy or pdf format. Research reports are available free in pdf format. The website is www.austrroads.com.au

| Articles dans Routes/Roads | Articles in Routes / Roads |
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| <p>The revised format for Routes/Roads was developed with input from Austroads. An Australasian contribution was included which outlined Austroads new online publications facility, performance based standards and the transport sector review in New Zealand. A feature article bridge management in Australia was provided by David Anderson, the Chair of the Committee and Australian First Delegate, based on a presentation he had made to the PIARC Council meeting in October. Revised distribution arrangements have accompanied the new format. In the past bulk copies were delivered to the Austroads national office and these were distributed by the national office to PIARC members. The new Routes/Roads is distributed direct to members. ARRB provided an article for the July edition.</p> <p>A news item on the release of the new Project Evaluation Guide and the publications website is being prepared for the next edition.</p> | |

| Bulletin national ou revue des CN | National newsletter or magazine of NC |
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| <p>A PIARC newsletter is produced by Austroads at least twice a year. This is circulated electronically and included in the PIARC section of the Austroads website. Newsletters were produced in December 2004 and May 2005. A further newsletter is planned for September 2005. Australasian technical committee representatives report on each committee meeting attended and these reports are also included on the website.</p> | |

| 4. Soutien aux Premiers délégués | 4. Support to First Delegate |
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| Concours des Prix AIPCR 2007 | PIARC prize 2007 competition |
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| <p>Austroads has agreed to conduct a national level competition in conjunction with the 2007 PIARC prizes. A national level competition was conducted in conjunction with the 2003 Durban Congress. The national level winners are sponsored by Austroads to attend the World Road Congress.</p> | |

| Nomination des membres des CT | Nomination of TC members |
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| <p>Australia and/or New Zealand are represented on 17 PIARC technical committees</p> | |

| Enquêtes et sondages | Surveys and questionnaires |
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| <p>Austroads has assisted in the conduct of several surveys being undertaken by technical committees.</p> | |

| 5. Congrès de l'AIPCR | 5. PIARC Congresses |
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| Congrès Viabilité Hivernale, Turin 2006 (participation, préparation) | 2006 Turin Winter Road Congress (participation, preparation) |
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| <p>Australia has very little involvement in the winter road congress.</p> | |

| Congrès mondial de la Route, Paris 2007 (participation, préparation) | 2007 Paris World Road Congress (participation, preparation) |
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| <p>Austroads will coordinate Australian and New Zealand involvement in the World Road Congress in Paris in 2007. An organising committee is being established to oversight the arrangements. It is expected to meet in October, 2005.</p> | |

6. Autres activités en 2005**6. Other activities in 2005****Assemblée générale, réunions avec les membres des CT, rencontres avec d'autres organisations nationales****General Assembly, meetings with TC members, meetings with other national organisations**

There was an initial meeting of the incoming Australian technical committee representatives early in 2004 prior to the first meetings of the new technical committees. Separate meetings were held in New Zealand. A further meeting of Australian representatives on PIARC technical committees was held in July, 2005. The meeting was to obtain feedback from the Australian representatives on technical committees to identify any issues and action that could be taken to improve the benefits of participation on technical committees. There was also discussion on the Paris World Road Congress and special sessions to be conducted there.

Relations internationales**International relations**

In conjunction with Austroads, the Committee has formal agreements with AASHTO and AAMVA in the USA and TAC in Canada. Australia and New Zealand participated in several scan tours arranged by AASHTO and FHWA. One on asset management and one on performance measurement. Some collaborative work was undertaken with these organisations on road safety. A series of workshops on safety were arranged in conjunction with the ITE conference held in Melbourne in August. Austroads representative also attended the 2004 TAC conference and will host a visit of TAC officials in November 2005.

Austroads also coordinates Australian input into several OECD committees on behalf of the Australian government. There is also an active involvement with the Road Engineering Association of Asia and Australasia (REAAA) which operates in the Asia Pacific region.

There are links with the Australian body (ARF) which is affiliated with IRF.

Promotion de l'AIPCR**Promotion of PIARC**

Austroads regularly promotes participation in PIARC activities. A presentation was made on behalf of PIARC to the ITE meeting in Melbourne in August 2005.

Site Internet des CN**NC website**

Austroads maintains a PIARC section on its website. The section includes general information about PIARC, background on the technical committees and regular reports on their work, the most recent and back copies of the PIARC newsletter and a link to the PIARC website.

Autres**Other business**

David Anderson represents Australia on the Executive Committee and the Strategic Planning Commission. Murray Kidnie represents Australia on the Communications Commission.