

2019 OECD Public Procurement Workshop

**Generating value out of growing complexity:
delivering infrastructure**



Who's Who

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Session 1: Ensuring value for money throughout implementation and operation of infrastructure

Moderator



Glenn Bain | Executive Director Procurement ACT, Australia

Experienced Senior Executive in Government administration and program delivery. Currently Glenn is the Head of Procurement ACT with responsibility for policy oversight and implementation advice across government in procuring for its outcomes. Glenn was the inaugural Director General of the Capital Metro Agency, a directorate established to deliver the first stage of a light rail system in Canberra through ACT's first transport PPP. Glenn is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Governance, and holds honours and postgraduate qualifications in Public policy and law.

Speakers

José Andrés O'Meara Riveira | General Director, Colombia Compra Eficiente

José Andrés O'Meara Riveira is a lawyer and the current acting Director of Colombia Compra Eficiente, the public entity in charge of public procurement in Colombia.

He has been a lecturer for several Universities in Colombia such as the University Javeriana de Bogotá and University Sergio Arboleda de Bogotá y Santa Marta.

José Andrés holds a Master's Degree in Public Law from the University Externado de Colombia and another in Rule of Law from the University Rey Juan Carlos from Spain.



Joseph Caruana | Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Finance, Malta

Mr Joseph Caruana started his career in the Maltese Public Service on 14th December 1977.

On June 16th, 2017, Mr Caruana was appointed as Permanent Secretary (Merger and Administration) within the Ministry for Finance, being responsible for change management of the Ministry for Finance particularly the merger of the Revenue Departments.

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Hera Hussain | Open Contracting Partnership

Hera catalyzes communities, journalists, and activists, helping them utilize open data and technological innovation to create positive social change around the globe. A young leader in the open data and open government community, she is currently the Senior Advocacy Manager at the Open Contracting Partnership. In her role, Hera works with a broad range of decision-makers to influence public procurement policy based on robust evidence-based research on the benefits of standardized open data. Previously, she led OpenCorporates' community and impact program, working with investigative journalists and NGOs using open company data.

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Session 2: Managing risks in infrastructure implementation

Moderator



Dejan Makovšek | Project Manager, International Transport Forum

Dejan Makovšek, a Slovene national, spent over 15 years advising government and the private sector with a focus on network industries. Prior to joining ITF in 2014 Dejan worked as a management consultant with KPMG for 7 years, where he was engaged in a number of projects involving the appraisal and financing of investments in railway and power infrastructure, business restructuring, forensic analysis of failed projects, and others. While holding a full time position at KPMG, he completed his PhD on investment appraisal within four years. To date he published several scientific articles in distinguished international transport economics and policy related journals. He held invited lectures at University College of London, Paris School of Economics, World Bank, EBRD and other institutions. The focus of his work at the ITF is infrastructure procurement, which also extends to private investment. He was involved in the OECD UK PPP review, led and contributed to projects on risks and delivery options for major infrastructure. Recently, he designed and drove the work under the ITF's Working Group on Private Investment, which operated for 2 years and involved +30 experts from 13 countries. The group focused on the supply side challenges of contracts in major infrastructure projects and proposed a host of measures including a fundamental change in how we procure major infrastructure.

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Jean-Philippe Nadal | Director of Public Procurement,
Société du Canal Seine Nord Europe



Gerry Cox | Institute of Internal Auditors

Gerry Cox has more than 35 years internal audit experience, in both the public and private sectors. From 2005 to April 2019, when he retired, he was the Chief Executive Officer of SWAP Internal Audit Services, a company which provides internal audit services to a large number of municipalities, government organisations, third sector and private sector clients throughout the United Kingdom and beyond. As well as being a Certified Internal Auditor Cox also holds the Qualification in Internal Audit Leadership, the Certificate in Risk Management Assurance and is a Chartered Internal Auditor.

Prior to his position with SWAP, Cox served as group manager of Business Support for South Somerset Council in the UK. His background also includes information systems management.

Cox has worked to advance the internal audit profession for many years and has previously served on various committees and task forces for the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA). These include roles as Chairman of the Professional Certifications Board and Chairman of the Global Advocacy Committee. Before these appointments he served on the IIA Executive Committee and Board, culminating in him being Chairman of the Board in 2007-2008. He is a past president of IIA-UK and Ireland and a past president of the European Confederation of Institutes of Internal Auditing (ECIIA).

He is a prior recipient of the IIA's Victor Z. Brink Award for Distinguished Service, the Bradford Cadmus Memorial Award and in 2019 the IIA Lifetime Achievement Award.

Jennifer Brake | Director, Global Infrastructure Industry Executive, PricewaterhouseCoopers

Jennifer is a Director in PwC's global capital project & infrastructure network, working with PwC's infrastructure teams in 70 countries. Jennifer has ten years' experience of working on infrastructure projects, in particular on infrastructure investment, economic development and public service reform projects including strategy, business case development, procurement and capacity building in telecommunications, housing, and transport projects. Before joining PwC, Jennifer was Director of Strategy at a UK local authority and was responsible for strategic planning and partnerships, programme management, insight and performance, and workforce development.



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Session 3: Matching skills with complexity

Moderator



Katharina Knapton-Vierlich | Acting Head of the Public Procurement Strategy Unit (G1), DG GROW, European Commission

Katharina Knapton-Vierlich joined the Commission's public procurement policy directorate in 2010. She has been responsible for various aspects of policy and law. She is currently in charge of "Public Procurement Strategy".

The unit supports especially sustainable, green and socially responsible procurement. Katharina Knapton-Vierlich also heads the "ex ante mechanism for large infrastructure projects", which provides advice on the procurement aspects of such projects. Before joining the European Commission, she practiced law in Berlin after having worked in academia.

She holds law degrees from the Free University of Berlin (Ph.D.) and the University of Cambridge (LL.M.).

Speakers

Chris Bunny | Deputy Chief Executive, Building, Resources and Markets, Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, New Zealand

Chris leads MBIE's Building, Resources and Markets Group. The Group supports a fair, competitive business environment and well-functioning telecommunications, building and construction, and energy and resources markets. It also serves as the New Zealand Government's Procurement and Property Functional Leader.

Policy work to support the Construction Sector Accord – launched in April 2019 – was carried out by staff in Chris' Group.

The Accord is a shared commitment between government and industry to transform the construction sector and signals a new way for them to work together for a better New Zealand.

Other priorities under Chris' leadership to drive change include the Construction Skills Action Plan, the Building System Legislative Reform Programme, the Building Code Delivery Framework and the Building System Strategy.

Chris has held various public sector policy roles in New Zealand and abroad including The Treasury (New Zealand and United Kingdom) and the Ministry of Social Development. He also spent time in the UK supporting government procurement of infrastructure (mainly schools and urban regeneration projects).



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Runar Stalsberg | Senior Vice-President, Sourcing Group, Avinor, Norway

Runar has over 15 years of top management procurement experience in the private and public sector in Norway and globally. Runar joined Avinor, which is the owner and operator of all airports in Norway, as Senior Vice President and Chief Procurement Officer in October 2016. In this capacity, Runar oversees the centralized group sourcing area with responsibility for 45 airports and ATC services. Runar has long experience from Telenor Group, one of the world's largest mobile telecommunications companies with operations in Scandinavia, Eastern Europe and Asia, and was responsible for establishing a global procurement organization. Runar has two Master degrees, one in Computer Science and one in Management and Business Administration.

Maud De Vautibault | Senior Policy Advisor, Global Infrastructure Hub

Maud de Vautibault is a senior infrastructure policy and legal advisor with over 18 years of experience in France both in the public and private sectors, in governmental frameworks and the procurement, execution and implementation of quality infrastructure projects.

She joined the Global Infrastructure Hub in January 2019 under a cooperation agreement with the French Treasury where she had worked for the previous four years as a Project Manager and Head of Legal Affairs at the Infrastructure Finance and PPPs Unit. During her time in the Ministry of Finance, she developed advanced expertise in procurement policy and prior assessment analysis, focusing on advising the public procurement authorities on the best contractual options between concession, traditional public procurement and PPP contractual structures.

Maud worked on various concessions projects under a civil law system, including most recently on the €2,3bn refinancing of the Paris-Bordeaux High Speed Rail (with a French State Guarantee) and a major light rail project in SubSaharan Africa. Prior to that, Maud worked as an in-house legal advisor at Bouygues, a worldwide infrastructure contractor, where she was in charge of leading the contractual documentation for a large panel of infrastructure projects from the inception to the closing, with a focus on social infrastructure buildings under partnerships contracts (including public buildings, universities, court of justice...).

Maud has also served on various boards of directors representing the Ministry of Finance in State owned Public Infrastructure establishments. She holds a Master's Degree in Public Economic Law from University of Paris Pantheon Assas.



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Session 4: Integrating technological change in the delivery of infrastructure

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Alexia Gonzales Fanfalone | Telecommunication Economist/Policy Analyst, Communication Infrastructures and Services Unit, Directorate for Science, Technology and Innovation (STI)

Speakers

Alexander Frötscher | Advisor, Technologies and Services for Mobility, AustriaTech, Austria

Alexander Frötscher is currently a Senior Project Manager for Telematics Applications in the Mobility Systems & ITS Deployment Unit of AustriaTech. His main responsibilities are, among others, to coordinate Project of partner companies.

Since 2011 Alexander has been a lector of Logistics and Transport Technology at Vienna University of Applied Sciences (UAS), BFI and in the ITS course at UAS Technikum Wien.

Mr. Frötscher holds an Austrian Degree: “Diplom-Ingenieur” from the Vienna University of Technology.



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Olivier Genain | Ministère de la Transition écologique et solidaire,
Ministère chargé des Transports, France

Olivier Genain est depuis juillet 2015 le chef du département des partenariats public privé (PPP) au sein du Ministère de la transition écologique et solidaire. Le département des PPP intervient dans le cadre de projets complexes réalisés en concession ou en marchés de partenariat dans le champ de compétence du Ministère. Cadre dirigeant du Ministère, Olivier Genain a construit une expertise à l'interface entre le public et le privé pour la structuration de projets français et internationaux, en gouvernance d'entreprise et en conduite du changement. Il a notamment exercé à la Banque Européenne d'Investissement en financement de projets et à la direction générale du Trésor supervisant la banque publique d'investissement et l'assureur-crédit COFACE.



Dominic Thasarathar | Group Digital Delivery Director, Mott MacDonald

Dominic Thasarathar is Mott MacDonald's Group Director for Digital Delivery. A Chartered Electrical Engineer, he has over 25 years expertise as a digital leader for the global infrastructure sector, with a focus on major projects and the role of technology in shaping the future of infrastructure.

Prior to joining Mott MacDonald in 2019, he was Autodesk's primary thought-leader for Construction, Energy and Natural Resources, where he was responsible for the company's strategic vision for these industries and for providing counsel to infrastructure leaders globally on the impact and management of digital trends.

His earlier career included technology leadership positions with multi-national engineering and construction firms – including roles with CH2M Hill (Chief Information Officer, CLM Delivery Partner), Bechtel (Asia-Pacific Manager of Project Systems) and Laing O'Rourke (Head of Project Lifecycle Systems).

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John Hawkins | Programme Manager, CoST

John Hawkins is the Programme Director for the Infrastructure Transparency Initiative (CoST) where he is responsible for overseeing the strategic and technical direction of the programme such as the recently launched OC4IDS. Until very recently, he was Head of Programmes where he oversaw the capacity building programme that supported the implementation of the CoST approach to transparency and accountability in fourteen countries. This has contributed to a rapid growth in the amount of data that is publicly available in CoST member countries and improvements and cost savings on individual infrastructure projects and the introduction of sector wide reforms. John has also co-authored several reports on improving infrastructure governance and procurement including mitigating corruption risks.



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