

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We are pleased to confirm you that our next Workshop on May 27, 2016 will be held in Turin at the International Training Centre of The International Labour Organisation (ILO), Viale Maestri del Lavoro, 10, 10127 - Torino, Italy.

On May 26, you are all invited to the lecture presented by Jean-Bernard Auby and other colleagues to the *Master en Gouvernance et management des marchés publics en appui au développement durable* (GOMAP) students.

On May 27, the annual workshop of our network will take place, with a specific focus on "*Public Contracts and Innovations*". It will be coordinated by Gabriella Racca with Chris Yukins' support and will be developed with a multidisciplinary approach. We have already identified some of the speakers but we are open to any other suggestions and contributions, on the followings issues:

Demand-side-driven innovation for sustainability, efficiency and integrity in public contracts

Joint Procurement Central Purchasing Bodies Public Contracts and Smart Cities Innovation Partnerships TTIP on Procurement Framework Agreements Groups of economic operators and risks of collusion Techniques and instruments for electronic procurement.

Please send us, as soon as possible, an abstract of your proposed intervention that might be included in a collective book.

Further information about the events will be provided soon.

Thanks very much for your cooperation, and we look forward to seeing you in Turin.

All the best

Gabriella Racca