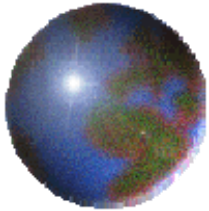




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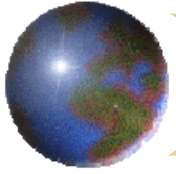


National and Regional Associations of PACs



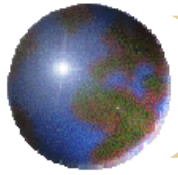
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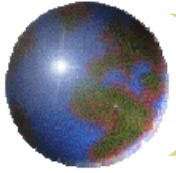
Introduction

- Executive Director, CCPAC (since 1985)



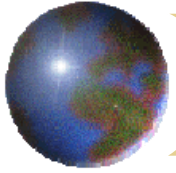
What is CCPAC?

- National association of PAC Chairs and Deputy Chairs
- Annual conference held at same time as legislative auditors' conference
- Forum for information-sharing



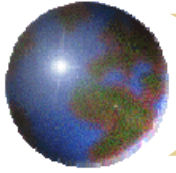
How CCPAC got started

- Founding meeting held in 1981
- Original constitution approved in 1982 and revised twice (1986 and 1994)
- Rotation system for 3-member board



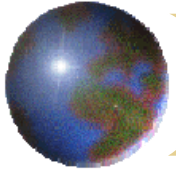
CCPAC Model

- Oldest national association
- Structure adopted in Australasia and South Africa



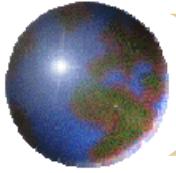
How CCPAC structure could work for the African Region

- First president would be PAC Chair
hosting network's founding conference
- Vice-presidents would be hosts of next
two conferences



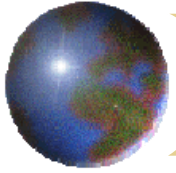
Information Exchange

- Conference agenda is member-driven
- Conference proceedings posted on CCPAC website
- New e-mail distribution service ccpac@leg.bc.ca



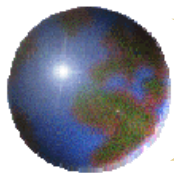
Funding of CCPAC activities

- Fees paid by conference delegates
- Cost-sharing arrangement with CCOLA
- In-kind support from BC secretariat



Conclusion

- Importance of collaboration and networking
- Support for new associations in African Region



Further information about CCPAC is
available at:
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