

# ENGINEERS IRELAND CIVIL DIVISION

**AGM 2014.**

**WHERE HAVE WE COME  
FROM?**

**WHERE ARE WE GOING?**



# A ROAD-MAP OF UNDERTAKINGS AND INITIATIVES.

- **State of Ireland – Infrastructure Report**

Now in its fourth edition.

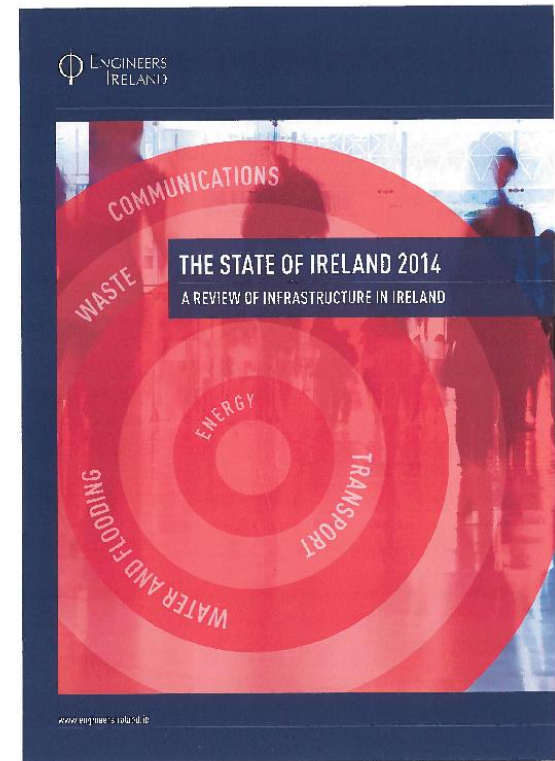
Has enjoyed a heightened profile since it was first launched in 2011.

Focuses on 5 elements of infrastructure:-

Energy, Transport, Water & Flooding, Waste and Communications.

Was launched by Cabinet Ministers in 2012 and 2013 as part of Engineers Week.

Clyde Road sought to have it launched by An Taoiseach or a Cabinet Minister in 2014 but neither were available.



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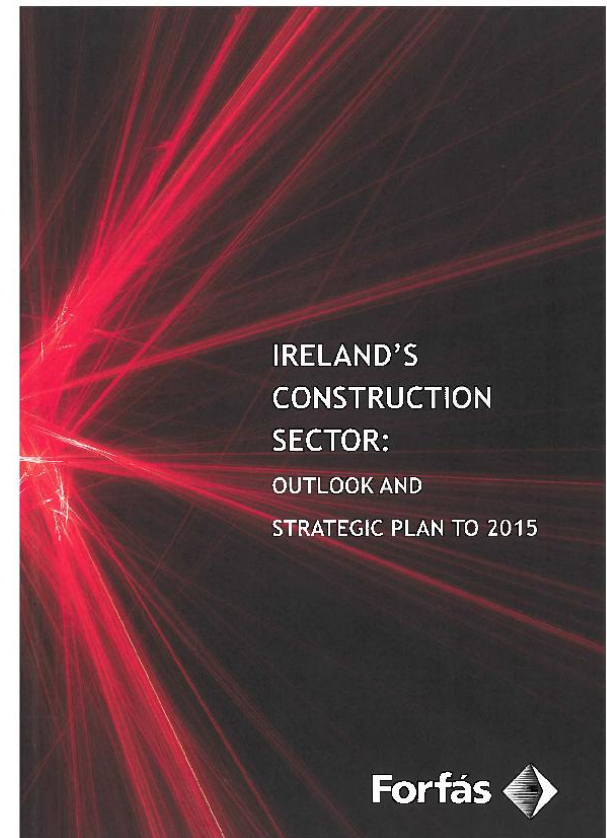
- **Forfas Report.**

All the organisations associated with the construction industry were invited to contribute to the Report.

Engineers Ireland's response was entrusted to the Civil Division.

Forfas visited Clyde Road to consult with us and we were invited to the “wash-up” meeting prior to the publication of the report.

One of our number was afforded the opportunity to engage with Forfas from a contractor perspective even though CIF was part of the formal consultation process.



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- **Building Control (Amendment) Regulations – BC(A)R.**
- Civil Division hosted the first meeting with Department officials after Minister Hogan announced his intention to initiate a consultation process.
- Engineers Ireland were represented on the main working group by three members, one of whom was from the Civil Division.
- Civil Division member was on the smaller Working Group that produced the associated Code of Practice, and
- Represented Engineers Ireland on the working group of the four “professional institutions” that has produced the Ancillary Certificates.
- Outcomes
  - **S.I. Nos. 9 & 105 of 2014**
  - **Code of Practice for Inspecting & Certifying Buildings and Works.**
  - **Agreed Ancillary Certificates for the professional design team members.**

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- Public Works Contract Review process – Civil Division co-ordinated Engineers Ireland submission to Government Construction Contracts Committee.
- Construction Contracts Act & Associated Code of Practice.
- Civil Division is directly represented on the Construction Industry Council as part of the Engineers Ireland delegation. (CIC = ACEI, CIF, EI, RIAI and SCSI.)
- Civil Division have been afforded the opportunity to interact directly with Government Construction Contracts Committee and the new Office for Government Procurement.

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- Civil Division are represented on the internal panel that set up the Engineers Ireland Historic Landfills Panel of Experts Register.
- Civil Division has four representatives on Council of Engineers Ireland, three members on the Executive and a Civil Division member chairs the Finance Committee of Engineers Ireland.
- We have a seat on the CPD standing committee within Engineers Ireland.
- In the 2012 and 2013 Excellence Awards, the Civil Division nominated the winners in the category Best Presentation or Paper.
- Pro-active in the discussions on the Routes to Titles and the educational requirements for C.Eng.

# CONCLUSION

- In 2008 the Civil Division was inactive.....
- In 2014 we can claim to be in the vanguard of representing Engineers Ireland in its quest to proactively engage with Government Departments.
- With a mailing list of between 7 and 8,000 members we are the biggest Division within Engineers Ireland so we have a large constituency that needs to be heard!
- We have established a position of significant influence within Engineers Ireland, but

**We need to maintain that influence and encourage more people to get involved!**

# THANKS!

- **My fellow committee members.**
- **The professional staff in Clyde Road.**
- **John Power, Director General, Engineers Ireland.**
- **My colleagues at RPS.**