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As a PhD candidate in the Department of Criminology at the Erasmus School of Law in Rotterdam, The Netherlands, I had the pleasure and privilege to visit the *Centre International de Criminologie Comparée* (CICC) as part of my PhD-project. In March 2017, I visited the centre during the period of one month. The main reasons for my visit were, learning more on the bid-rigging construction cartels (investigated by the Charbonneau Commission) and collaborating with Prof. Carlo Morselli and his excellent research team. The team worked on social networks analyses regarding the construction cases. I used the time, expertise and inspiration that the centre provided me with to work on a draft comparative paper concerning massive bid-rigging in the Dutch construction industry and Montréal.

I am very grateful to the centre for hosting me so warmly for this period of my research. First off, there were teachable moments in meeting with Prof. Carlo Morselli. He has elaborated on an interesting and highly critical perspective on the case. Furthermore, the research team could not have been more helpful and accommodating to me. Not only sharing their office space, but also their sharp minds, ideas, suggestions and interest in my project. Maxime, Dominique, Marie, Julian and Romain; thank you for sharing and showing me the city of Montréal including some great Canadian traditions. I had an excellent time. And last, but certainly not least, I am impressed by the degree of professionalism of the administration office of the centre, in particular Geneviève who helped with my questions and navigated me through the administrative process, thoughtfully checking in with me before arrival and making sure I had everything I needed. Great job you are doing at the centre. I hope to return some time in the future to stay for a longer period of time and meet you all again.

All the best,

Jelle