

Andrzej Jordan-Rozwadowski

(b. 1938)

Civil engineer



Andrzej Jordan-Rozwadowski has come a long way since he was born in Lwow, southeast Poland, with a career spanning forty-eight years and three continents at the helm of some of the world's most important infrastructure projects.

After earning a civil engineering honours degree from the University of Durham, England, he immigrated to Canada, where in 1975 he was named Construction Man of the Year by Engineering News Record for his work as project manager for the 553-metre C.N. Communications Tower in Toronto, until 2008 the tallest free-standing structure in the world.

In 1977, Jordan took his family of five to southern Peru, where he directed construction of tunnels and canals on the Mayes irrigation project, which converted sixty thousand hectares of desert lands into arable pasture. Three years later, his career took him and his family to Sri Lanka, again to head up a major Canadian government-funded development project, the Maduru Oya reservoir that involved the construction of a rock-filled dam to create a water body crucial to providing irrigation waters to the island's Mahaweli zone.

Jordan returned to Toronto in 1983 and took a posting as vice-president of the Foundation Company of Canada, the construction company he had by then been with since 1964. In this role he oversaw the building of major projects, both local and international. In 1988, he was promoted to company senior vice-president, which added Eastern Canada to his area of responsibility, including the building of the privately developed Terminal 3 at Lester B. Pearson International Airport in Toronto on which he worked as construction manager 1999-2005.

In the 1990's, as part of his efforts to expand his company's operations to Eastern Europe, Jordan landed the design and construction of the expansion of the new Ferihegy Airport in Budapest, Hungary, completed in December 1998. During this period, from 1997 to 1998, he also acted as president of the Canada Poland Chamber of Commerce.

Presently, at 71, retirement still a while away, Jordan spends one week a month in Quito, Ecuador, where he is director and engineering and procurement manager for the New Quito International Airport project.

Photos from top left clockwise:

• Andrzej Jordan-Rozwadowski, project manager of CN Tower in Toronto • A. Jordan-Rozwadowski, construction manager of Terminal Three at Lester B. Pearson International Airport in Toronto, 1991 • A. Jordan-Rozwadowski, director of dam construction in Maduru Oya, Sri Lanka

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