The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (S/CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS) is pleased to share with you its e-Bulletin "CIP Highlights".

April 11 – 13, 2018

II Hemispheric Seminar on Maritime and Port Legislation: Key Elements for the Modernization and Port Regulations

The Seminar will provide an international platform for public-private dialogue on trends and challenges in port and maritime industry legal frameworks, with the aim of promoting the development of a competitive, secure, sustainable, and inclusive sector. Organized by the National Port Administration of Uruguay (ANP) and the Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (S/CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS), the event will focus on the key aspects of port legislation modernization, with special emphasis on adequate regulation for efficiency, security, and environmental
sustainability. Decision-makers from public and private entities will present successful practices on the following topics:

- Modern Legislation for Efficient Port Management;
- Automation in Ports - Modernization of Legal Frameworks;
- Regulatory Policies in Risk Management;
- Environmental Legislation for Sustainability.

In addition, during Port Dialogue Roundtables, National Port Authority representatives and industry experts will offer a series of recommendations for tackling the legal and regulatory challenges of the region’s port and maritime industry.

For more information, please contact Mona Swoboda, S/CIP Project Coordinator, mswoboda@oas.org, or visit the CIP website.

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**Application Deadline:** March 23, 2018  
**Course Dates:** May 11 – June 7, 2018

**XVIII Ibero-American Course on Port Technology, Operations and Environmental Management**

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (S/CIP) of the Organization of the American States (OAS) and Puertos del Estado de España are pleased to announce the opening of the call for applications for the **XVIII Ibero-American Course on Port**
Technology, Operations and Environmental Management, to take place from May 11 to June 7, 2018, in Santander, Spain.

The organizers will award a maximum of twenty (20) scholarships, distributed between the two specialties of the course:

i. Port Operations
ii. Environmental Management.

In this edition of the Course, students will have the opportunity to attend the III International Congress on Industrial Security in Ports, to be held in Pazo de Mariñán (A Coruña), on May 8 and 9, 2018. Congress organizers will offer to the 20 scholarship recipients:

- Free registration to the sessions of the Congress;
- Access to all the activities (including lunches and dinners); and
- The trip from A Coruña to Santander on May 10.

In addition, accommodation will be offered at Pazo de Mariñán, from May 7 to 10, 2018, to a maximum of 12 scholarship recipients (assigned in strict order of receipt of the request by the S/CIP). Please note that the 8 scholarship recipients who are not granted must cover their accommodation expenses and transportation from the hotel to the Congress venue. Each applicant must submit to the S/CIP the complete documents by e-mail to cip@oas.org, Cc. kparson@oas.org, no later than March 23, 2018. For further information on the Course, click here, and to find out more about the Congress, click here

Note: the Course and Congress will be held in Spanish only, so it is indispensable requirement to master the language.
Congress Dates: 6 – 8 nov, 2018  
Location: Mascate, Oman

Innovation on the Move: IRU World Congress

The International Road Transport Union (IRU), together with Oman’s Ministry of Transport & Communications, will bring together global leaders in road transport, to address major challenges of the sector. Among these challenges, a special emphasis will be made on new business models, as well as on faster, safer and cheaper travel, among others. Participants will include senior level representatives from Ministries of Transport, Trade, and Customs, business representatives, international organizations, among others. As one of the world’s up-and-coming logistics hubs for trade and transport, and at the heart of the dynamic Arabian Gulf region, Oman offers a timely stage for the Congress. For further information about the IRU World Congress, please click here.

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2017 Maritime Award of the Americas

Best Practices

Over a highly competitive process, the Jury of the 2017 Maritime Award of the Americas received entries from both the public and private port sector of North, Central, and South America, as well as the Caribbean. In addition to a high point scale,
the winning practices showed measurable outcome and, most importantly, sustainable impact.

It is with great pleasure that the Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (S/CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS) announces the winners of the 2017 Maritime Award of the Americas from Argentina, Chile, Honduras, and Peru, and is proud to honor their leadership and most outstanding commitment to the development of a competitive and sustainable port sector in the Americas in their respective categories.

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Outstanding Women in the Maritime and Port Sector

Recognizing the fundamental role women play in the political, economic, social, and cultural development of the Hemisphere, the Organization of American States (OAS) encourages them to take leadership in both public institutions and the private sector. As women are essential to boosting competitiveness, the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) aims at empowering female professionals in the port sector of the Americas.

It is with great pleasure that the Secretariat of the CIP, with support from the OAS Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM), proudly announces the winners of the 2017 Maritime Award of the Americas in the Category Outstanding Women in the Maritime and Port Sectors, and honors their leadership, dedication and their significant achievements. The Award recognizes their professional contributions to the development of a competitive, secure, sustainable, and inclusive port sector in the Americas.

Thank you for making the 2017 Maritime Award of the Americas a success!

Congratulations to the Winners!

Garima Tuñón, PhD
Director General
Ports and Maritime Industries
Panama Maritime Authority (AMP)

Luciela Espinal, J.D.
President
E&M International Consulting S.R.L.
Dominican Republic
WSIP - New Stakeholder of COMPAS

*West Street Infrastructure Partners III* (“WSIP”), an investments-in-infrastructure fund managed by the Business Banking Division of Goldman Sachs, is the new shareholder of COMPAS. WSIP bought 50% of COMPAS shares and is expected to participate in large infrastructure projects, within its port network through investments that exceed USD $200 million over the next five years. Among these projects, it is important to mention the expansions of the terminals in Cartagena and Tolú, Sucre, in alliance with APM Terminals.

For more information about this new shareholder, click [here](#).

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The National Port Authority (APN) of Peru publishes the Fourth Issue of its Quarterly Bulletin on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women

In the Fourth Edition of the Informative Bulletin on CSR and Gender Equity (Spanish only), the National Port Authority (APN) of Peru highlights strategic actions that promote inclusion through improved port-city relation. The bulletin includes an activity report on the community outreach for students in different cities of Peru, an interview with Mona Swoboda - Project
Coordinator of the S/CIP and Gender Equality Specialist - on the participation and visibility of women in the maritime-port industry, and an article on the role of women in maritime-port sector in Latin America and the Caribbean, among others. Visit CIP Portal to read the Fourth Issue of the Bulletin.

Master's Degree in Maritime Law

As part of the efforts to further develop capacities in maritime issues in the Dominican Republic, E&M International Consulting and the Tito Mella Foundation work together with APEC University (UNAPEC) and offer a Master's Degree in Maritime Law. The three organizations have taken on the challenge of becoming capacity building agents, in order to respond to the demand of the maritime industry. The Master's in Maritime Law is designed for legal professionals interested in trade, maritime transport, logistics, customs, ports and the law of the sea. Its objective is to achieve a level of comprehensive training in the field of maritime law and trade, as well as disciplines related to economy, maritime and port administration. For further information on the academic contents of the program, click here.

Interested in becoming a CIP Associate Member?

Click here for further information on the benefits of joining, opportunities for collaboration and the formal application procedures or contact the CIP Secretariat.