

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 for CIP Associate Members, CIP Highlights, below.



## Announcements

### Outstanding Women in the Maritime and Port Sector

The S/CIP has recognized the Outstanding Women in the Maritime and Port Sector 2016 for their dedication, leadership, and commitment in their respective categories. In what has been a highly competitive process, the Jury Committee received entries from both the public and private sector of all sub regions of the Hemisphere (North-, Central-, South-America, and the Caribbean). The Award Ceremony will be held on April 29th in Panama City in the course of the Hemispheric Seminar on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Gender Equality in the Port Sector (April 27th – 29th) where the winners will be honored for contributing substantially to the development of the maritime and port sectors of the Americas. Please view the Official Winners Announcement and further information please [click here](#).



## **United States Coast Guard Port Security Management Seminar**

The United States Coast Guard (USCG) together with the S/CIP will hold a Port Security Management Seminar at the PortMiami from April 19<sup>th</sup> -22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. The course will provide the 29 registered participants from 16 CIP/OAS Member States with effective security management techniques including risk management, leadership in implementing organizational change, stakeholder management, and security operations improvement. Reinforced through participant activities and presentations, each lesson offers a platform for dialogue and knowledge exchange among the attending PFSOs.

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## **Hemispheric Seminar on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Gender Equality in the Port Sector: From Awareness to Action**

The Maritime Authority of Panama (AMP) and the S/CIP will hold the Hemispheric Seminar on Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Gender Equality in the Port Sector in Panama City, from April 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup>. The event aims at strengthening socially responsible port operations by sharing successful experiences that promote inclusive policies and foster gender equality in the industry. It will provide an international platform for dialogue on the highest level between both public and private entities to promote the instrumentation of sustainable, inclusive, and socially responsible strategic actions. For further information please [click here](#).

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## **Assessment on the Status of Maritime and Port Security Capabilities in OAS Member States**

The S/CIP and the Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (S/CICTE) of the OAS are jointly undertaking an Assessment on the Status of Maritime and Port Security Capabilities in OAS Member States. The assessment is divided into two phases of collecting data through surveys: the first focused on Maritime and Port Security while the second phase will emphasize on Cyber-Security matters. This initiative aims at creating a baseline in order to assist Member States' efforts in enhancing ports and maritime security.

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## **Assessment on International Requirements in the Areas of Sustainable Port Operations and Environmental Protection**

The S/CIP has conducted an Assessment on International Requirements in the Areas of Sustainable Port Operations and Environmental Protection to provide CIP Member States with adequate support in meeting the respective international requirements established by the International Maritime Organization (IMO). The assessment was developed in two phases and the collected data is currently being analyzed.

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### **Port Finance International Mexico City Conference**

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Port Finance International Mexico City conference will take place from June 22nd -23rd, in Mexico City, Mexico. The conference offers a meeting point to understand Mexican ports' current and future opportunities and find solutions to the diverse challenges they may face. The event will be preceded by a one day Port Planning & Management Workshop on June 21st. For further information please [click here](#)

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### **PORT AND MARITIME INDUSTRY NEWS**



#### **New Cargo Transfer Support Area in the Port of Arica, Chile**

The Port of Arica has experienced significant growth in its cargo transfer volume; hence a series of projects have been developed, including the construction of an extended area in support of cargo transfer, which is being run by the Arica Port Company. The project has reached a level of execution

of 50% and shall be completed by July 2016. The facility is expected to have a storage capacity of 1.5 million tons per year, which will allow the port to increase its capacity to 4.8 million tons per year. To see the full story please [click here](#)

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