

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



The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (S/CIP) welcomes its new Associate Member: T&T Salvage

With more than 40 locations in the United States and with operational bases in South America, Europe and Asia, T&T Salvage offers a wide range of maritime services and solutions to maritime emergencies such as OPA 90 Response, salvage, marine engineering, naval architecture, spill response experts and marine fire services, among others. For more information on T&T Salvage, [click here](#).



Friday, July 15th is the Deadline to Apply to the XXI Iberoamerican Course on Port Management!

Thanks to the support of Puertos del Estado of Spain, the S/CIP will be able to offer 25 scholarships to all applicants who are either [citizens or permanent residents of any of the CIP/OEA Member States](#). The course will be held from September 26 to October 26, 2016 in Madrid, Spain. Don't miss the opportunity to learn about a vast array of topics related to port management, such as political considerations, financing ports, necessary human resources, and environmental security. To learn more about the call for applications, [click here](#).



CIP Members will Meet with the Private Sector in the Tenth Ordinary Meeting of the Inter-American Committee on Ports

The National Port Administration of Uruguay (ANP in Spanish), as Chair of the Executive Board of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CECIP), and the S/CIP are proud to organize the Tenth Ordinary Meeting of the CIP: *"Private Sector Partnerships for Port Development"*, to be held in Montevideo, Uruguay, on July 27- 29, 2016. The meeting presents an opportunity for CIP Members to identify initiatives for the development of a more sustainable, safe, inclusive and competitive port sector in the Americas, as well as to approve a new Declaration/Resolution and the Plan of Action. It will focus on the

exchange of private and public sector successful practices on the CIP's six priority areas:

1. Logistics, Innovation and Competitiveness;
2. Port Security and Safety;
3. Sustainable Port Management and Environmental Protection;
4. Public Policy, Legislation and Regulation;
5. Tourism, Inland Ports and Waterways, Ship Service and Navigation Safety; and
6. Corporate Social Responsibility and Gender Equality.

For more information, [click here](#).



Green Marine and Rightship Collaborate to Advance Environmental Sustainability in the Maritime Sector

Green Marine and Rightship signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to explore opportunities to enhance mutual recognition of each other's environmental programs. The MoU that was signed in Quebec City on June 2, 2016 at Green Marine's 9th Annual Conference, Green Tech 2016, includes the development of an initiative to protect the maritime environment through sustainable shipping. For more information on this new partnership, [click here](#).



**Congratulations to the Winners of the “Ships Bring the World To Us”
Art Contest sponsored by the North American Marine Environment Protection
Association (NAMEPA)!**

NAMEPA, the USCG, Mystic Aquarium, and the Inter-American Committee on Ports of the OAS (CIP-OAS) have selected the winners of the art contest, “Ships Bring the World to Us” for students from Kinder to 12th grade. The art contest aimed at promoting awareness among students on the challenges posed by climate change in relation to the marine industry. Students submitted creative posters that revealed the importance of vessels and cargo ships to contribute with those challenges. The organizers received 260 submissions by students from North/Central/South America and the Caribbean. For more information, [click here](#).



Cruise Line International Association (CLIA) Showcases Cruise Industry

Environmental Leadership During Capitol Hill Ocean Week

During Capitol Hill Ocean Week, CLIA's commitment to practices that foster the protection of the oceans and the environment was showcased. CLIA has developed and led the adoption of environmental technologies and industry policies, such as the zero discharge policy, which exceeds international and national regulatory requirements. Furthermore, they are developing stringent requirements along with the IMO, such as a mandatory 30% reduction in carbon emissions rates by 2025 for new cruise ships to meet their goals. For more information, [click here](#).



International Terminal of the South (TISUR in Spanish) launches a New Modern System for the Storage and Shipping of Minerals

TISUR launched the new "System for Reception, Storage and Shipping for Mineral Concentrates Bahía Islay-Muelle" on June 24, 2016. US \$280 million were invested on this project, and it is meant to duplicate the peak lode capacity in the south region of Peru in the following years. It has high tech port infrastructure and environmental standards capable of dealing with four million tons of minerals per year. For more information, [click here](#).



The Safety of Life at Sea Convention (SOLAS) Container Weight Verification Requirement by IMO Guideline Legally Effective Since July 1st

The IMO amended SOLAS to make it a requisite for containers to have a verified weight when being loaded onto a ship for export. Since July 1, 2016, loading packed containers is not allowed without proper weight verification following SOLAS requirements. Signatories of the SOLAS convention not only include countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, but also many other [countries](#) from different regions. For more information on regulations and guidelines, [click here](#).

June 25th was the IMO's Day of the Seafarer campaign "At Sea For All"

On June 25, 2016, the IMO's Day of the Seafarer campaign was celebrated to recognize the importance of seafarers to the shipping industry and the world. The campaign was backed up by official messages by IMO Secretary-General Kitack Lim, and UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon. In addition, the message was spread through social media using the #AtSeaForAll hashtag. For more information on this campaign, [click here](#).



Caribbean Shipping Association (CSA) 46th Annual General Meeting

The Caribbean Shipping Association (CSA) will be holding its 46th Annual General Meeting, Conference and Expo at the Hyatt Hotel in Port of Spain, Trinidad and Tobago from October 17-19, 2016. Themes will focus on how new maritime policies and change in trade routes may affect the maritime sector. This event will give participants the opportunity to network among the regional shipping sector. For more information, [click here](#).

Interested in becoming an Associate Member of the CIP?

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