

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS) is pleased to share the electronic bulletin "CIP Highlights".



Save the Date!
14th Regular CIP Meeting

June 16-18, 2026

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS), in collaboration with Barbados Port Inc. in its capacity as Chair of the CIP Executive Board (CECIP), have the honor of inviting you to the 14th Regular CIP Meeting to be held from June 16 - 18, 2026 in Bridgetown, Barbados.

The presence of the Secretary General of the Organization of American States (OAS), Amb. Albert Ramdin underscores the high-level importance of this meeting.

The Meeting is of critical strategic importance for the future of the CIP, as key decisions that will guide our work over the next three years will be made. In this context, your active is of the utmost importance, as the outcomes of this meeting will directly shape regional priorities.

With the main topic "The Scope of Artificial Intelligence: Reshaping Strategies for Sustainable and Secure Ports", this Meeting will convene National Port Authorities of OAS Member States, international organizations, private sector and civil society.

Industry decision-and-change makers will tackle challenges and discuss trends, blending policy with best practices and technical solutions, to achieve a successful digitalization of port processes.

For more information, please contact Montserrat Ambriz of the CIP Secretariat at mambriz@oas.org



Call for Entries: CIP Maritime Award of the Americas 2026

Deadline: March 4, 2026

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS), is pleased to announce the Call for Entries for the 12th

Edition of the CIP Maritime Award of the Americas “Recognizing Outstanding Port Management in the Americas”.

The Award will honor winning entries from CIP National Port Authorities, public and private ports/terminals, and/or companies and organizations of the port sector from any of the [CIP-OAS Member States](#), for their positive contribution to port sector modernization in the Americas, in the following **categories**:

- [Green Initiatives in Ports/Terminals](#)
- [Digital Transformation](#)
- [Port Security and Risk Management](#)

Importantly, the Award will also recognize the 2026 Outstanding Woman in the Maritime and Port Sectors for her demonstrated leadership and empowerment of other women in the port sector of the Americas.

To download the award guidelines and application forms, please use the following links.

[Award guidelines](#)
[Application Form - 2026 Maritime Award of the Americas](#)
[Application Form - 2026 Outstanding Woman](#)

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Mona Swoboda at [mwboda@oas.org](mailto:mwoboda@oas.org)


PRESENTA

**TRANSFORMACIÓN DIGITAL PORTUARIA:
DEL PUERTO CONECTADO AL PUERTO INTELIGENTE**
5 DE MARZO, 2026
12:00 PM – 13:30 PM Washington D.C.

Agenda:
12:00 – 12:10 - Apertura: Secretaría de la CIP
12:15 – 12:30 - Luis Pérez, Gerente de Desarrollo de Negocios Transporte / Puertos, Indra Sistemas S.A., España
12:35 – 12:50 - Ramon Badia, Vicepresidente de Desarrollo Comercial, Americas, DP World Americas
12:55 – 13:10 - Cecilia Marcelo, Gerente de Administración y Finanzas, Transportadora Callao, Perú
13:10 – 13:20 - Sesión de Preguntas y Respuestas
13:20 – 13:30 - Clausura: Secretaría de la CIP



Webinar “Digital Port Transformation: From Connected Port to Smart Port”

March 5, 2026

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) is pleased to invite you to the Webinar in Spanish (available translation) **"Digital Port Transformation: From Connected Port to Smart Port"**, on Thursday, March 5, 2025, at 12:00 pm Washington, D.C.

This webinar will feature the participation of Indra Sistemas S.A. from Spain, DP World Americas, and Transportadora Callao from Peru. The speakers will share their experiences in digital connectivity and operational intelligence. They will analyze trends, technological tools, success stories, and key challenges facing the port sector in its modernization process, as well as opportunities to strengthen its competitiveness and resilience in an increasingly digitized global environment.

To register the virtual seminar, please click [here](#). To access the agenda, please click [here](#).



Women's Leadership Program for the Maritime-Port Sector

March 17-20, 2026

The LIFE program—Female Leadership for the Maritime-Port Sector, organized by PR Ports and Multimodal—officially announced the agenda for its fourth edition, which will take place from March 17 to 20 in Panama City, Panama, consolidating its position as one of the most important spaces for training, networking, and female visibility in Latin America.

Since its launch, LIFE has positioned itself as a regional platform that combines executive training, purposeful leadership, and direct links with key players in the maritime-port ecosystem, promoting diverse, inclusive management models that have a real impact on the organizations and territories where they operate.

The agenda will begin on March 17 with accreditation, a welcome cocktail, and the presentation of the LIFE seal. March 18 will be dedicated to the development of key skills for senior management, including a meeting with Antonio Domínguez, President for Latin America, A.P. Moller-Maersk. March 19 will focus on technical visits, and on Friday, March 20, there will be a panel discussion on “Female leadership with impact: management models that generate real opportunities,” followed by the “#EllasInspiran” webinar, a space that brings together women leaders in the sector to share experiences.

To know more about this program, please click [here](#) or contact life@prports.com



Port of the Future Conference

March 24-25, 2026

The Port of the Future 2026 Conference is an event dedicated to shaping the next generation of ports and maritime infrastructure worldwide.

The conference focuses on strengthening and modernizing port systems, technology, and operations in the maritime, air, land, and cyber domains.

The 2026 event will bring together senior leaders from more than 50 ports around the world, representing North America, Europe, South America, Africa, and Asia.

Participants will examine the most relevant challenges facing the port and maritime sector, future trends, viable solutions, and successful strategies that are already yielding results.

To register for this event, please click [here](#).



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2026**

Madrid + Valencia + Tarragona + Barcelona

Únete a nuestra gira a puertos españoles,
diseñada exclusivamente para directivos y
líderes portuarios de América Latina.

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Port Leaders - Port Mission to Spain 2026

April 20-24, 2026

Maritime Policy Bureau and PR Ports are pleased to announce Port Leaders 2026 - Port Mission to Spain. This program offers an immersive experience combining port innovation, sustainability, and governance, with an emphasis on operational efficiency, public-private collaboration, and international standards.

The 2026 mission will focus on Madrid, Valencia, Tarragona, and Barcelona, with meetings with authorities from Puertos del Estado, high-level networking sessions, and technical visits to ports and innovation centers.

This route addresses the latest trends and best practices in technology, the environment, and social responsibility.

Participation in this mission includes, among other things:

- 4*/5* hotel accommodation with breakfast included

- Transfers to cities visited
- Meetings with port authorities
- Networking activities
- Training and workshops
- Technical port visits

To learn more about this program, click [here](#).



Get to Know the CIP Portal!

-TAG on Waterways, Inland and Cruise Ports-

The CIP Portal is your gateway to the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) — a comprehensive online platform designed to connect the port community, share knowledge, and promote collaboration across the Americas. Through the portal, users can access exclusive resources, publications, event information, and updates that support the sustainable and innovative development of the port sector.

This time, the Secretariat would like to highlight the page of the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) on **Waterways, Inland and Cruise Ports** a space dedicated to connectivity, tourism, and regional development across the Americas.

Explore a rich collection of resources, including the [Compilation on Inland Ports in the Americas](#), the [Compilation on Tourism in the Americas](#), and an information [bulletin covering key topics addressed by the TAG](#). These

materials provide valuable insights into the strategic role of inland waterways and cruise ports in promoting trade, tourism, and sustainable growth throughout the hemisphere.

Discover, learn, and stay connected through the CIP Portal — and stay tuned for more notes as we continue to explore all the valuable tools and features this platform has to offer!



Drake Marine Environmental Services Joins the CIP as its Newest Associate Member

The CIP Secretariat is pleased to welcome Drake Marine Environmental Services as its newest Associate Member.

Drake Marine Environmental Services (DMES) is a maritime consultancy based in the United States that helps port operators, shipowners, shipyards, governments, and trade organizations solve environmental problems and meet their sustainability goals.

DMES is delighted to join CIP and is committed to working with partners across the Americas to provide strategic and technical advice, as well as training, so stakeholders can plan for and achieve compliance across ballast water, biofouling, and other emerging standards.

For more information on Infoport, please click [here](#)



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35 Master Program on Port Management and Intermodal Transport

Deadline: June 15, 2026

The CIP Secretariat and the ValenciaPort Foundation are pleased to announce the 35th edition of the Master's Degree in Port Management and Intermodal Transport (MGPT), which will take place from October 15, 2026, to July 1, 2027, in Valencia, Spain.

The organizing entities will award one (1) scholarship to a port professional who is a citizen of a CIP-OAS Member State, part of a National Port Authority, Associate Member, or Strategic Partner of the CIP, and who meets all the requirements set forth in the terms and conditions of the call for applications.

Each applicant must submit all documentation in electronic format to Montserrat Ambriz of the CIP Secretariat, at mambriz@oas.org, **no later than June 15, 2026**.

For any questions, please contact mambriz@oas.org



SuperTransporte



Port Traffic Statistics in Colombia

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) and the Superintendency of Transport of Colombia are pleased to share the *Port Traffic Statistics* in Colombia.

The objective of the website is to provide periodic statistical information to the transport sector and to the different stakeholders regarding indicators associated with cargo movement through port traffic that moves across the various concessioned ports in Colombia, and which is reported by public and private port service companies through the information system established by the Superintendency for the receipt of information and the exercise of oversight, inspection, and control.

To learn more about the Statistics, please click [here](#).

Join us!

To receive information on collaboration opportunities, please click [here](#) or communicate directly with the CIP Secretariat.