

14th Regular Meeting of the CIP

The Scope of Artificial Intelligence: Reshaping Strategies for Sustainable and Secure Ports

INFORMATIVE BULLETIN

DATE & PLACE

JUNE 8 - 10, 2026

Bridgetown, Barbados

VENUE

[Lloyd Erskine Sandiford
Conference Center](#)

Two Mile Hill St. Michael,
Bridgetown Barbados

PARTICIPANTS

National Port Authorities of CIP-OAS Member States; CIP Associate Members; port managers, industry experts, private sector representatives, academia and the public interested in the subject.

ABOUT THE EVENT

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, the active participation of The Bahamas is of the utmost importance, as the outcomes of this meeting will directly shape regional priorities.

Key highlights of the meeting include approval of the Resolution of Bridgetown 2026 and its corresponding Plan of Action; election of the new CIP Executive Board (CECIP), setting the leadership of the CIP for the 2026-2029 period, and a specialized forum on Artificial Intelligence, focusing on its scope and practical applications in port operations.

This Meeting will provide a unique platform to set the direction of the CIP, engage in forward-looking discussions on AI in ports, and strengthen regional collaboration at the highest level.

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ADMISSION

The conference is free of admission cost, and space is limited. Those interested in attending must fill out the [registration form](#) by May 15th 2026.

AGENDA

For an updated agenda, please visit our website [here](#).

DRESS CODE

The dress code is business casual.

INTERPRETATION

Simultaneous interpretation (ENG-SPA-ENG) will be available.

CURRENCY

The currency in Barbados is the Barbadian Dollar (BBD). The US Dollar is also widely accepted (often at a fixed rate). Foreign currency can be exchanged at the airport, banks, and/or exchange bureaus. 1 USD is approximately equivalent to 2 Barbadian Dollars.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS TO BARBADOS

Please note that visa requirements vary depending on your country of origin and may involve several administrative procedures. Participants are encouraged to plan accordingly and consult directly with the Embassy or Consulate of Barbados in their respective country for detailed and up-to-date information. You may also verify your specific entry requirements by visiting the following website: <https://immigration.gov.bb/pages/Requirements.aspx>.

TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS AND EXPENSES

Travel arrangements and related expenses must be covered by each participant individually or by their respective governments, institutions, or organizations.

LOCAL TIME

Barbados operates on Atlantic Standard Time (AST, UTC -4) and does not observe Daylight Saving Time.

AIRPORT

The most convenient airport is Grantley Adams International Airport (approximately 20–30 minutes by car from most hotels). It is recommended to arrange airport–hotel transportation directly with your hotel. Hotels may offer transfer services at an additional cost, or taxis are readily available at the airport.

CUSTOMS

Attendees must clear customs individually at their first point of entry into the country.

WEATHER IN JUNE

Temperatures in Barbados in June typically range between 26°C (79°F) and 31°C (88°F), with a chance of brief tropical showers.

HOTELS

Please find a list of recommended hotels below (page 3). Attendees are responsible for arranging their own hotel accommodations. Kindly make your reservations as soon as possible to guarantee the preferential rates negotiated by the organizers. To access the preferential rate, please mention the name of the event at the time of booking.

TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

Barbados offers a wide variety of attractions, from historical and cultural sites to beautiful beaches and natural landscapes. Some of the most popular places to visit include Bridgetown (a UNESCO World Heritage Site), the west coast beaches, and areas such as Holetown and St. Lawrence Gap.

For more information on tourist attractions visit the following website:

<https://corporate.visitbarbados.org/>

HOTEL OPTIONS

VENUE HOTEL

HILTON BARBADOS RESORT

Needham's Point St Michael Bridgetown, 11000 Barbados

**To book at the preferential rate, please follow the link below*

[Reserve with preferential rate](#)

PREFERENTIAL RATE (US\$)

SINGLE ROOM

US \$251.90/night

(taxes not included)

**This rate includes breakfast and is subject to availability*

**DEADLINE TO BOOK WITH
PREFERENTIAL RATE**

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ALTERNATIVE HOTELS

RADISSON AQUATICA BARBADOS

Aquatic Gap, Bridgetown, Saint Michael BB14023 Barbados

To access the preferential rates, please contact **Ms. Cheryl Blackman** at the following email:

sales@aquaticabarbados.com

PREFERENTIAL RATE (US\$)

SINGLE ROOM

US \$223.77/ night

(taxes and fees included)

**This rate includes breakfast and is subject to availability*

US \$195.72/ night
(taxes and fees included)

**This rate does not include breakfast and is subject to availability*

DOUBLE ROOM

US \$251.82/ night

(taxes and fees included)

**This rate includes breakfast and is subject to availability*

ACCRA BEACH HOTEL

Christ Church BB 15139, Barbados West Indies, Christ Church Barbados

Contact: Shanice Baston

1 (246) 435 8920 ext. 5405

email: sales@accrabeachhotel.com

**To book at the preferential rate, please mention that you are attending the OAS Meeting and have the following information ready:*

*-Name of guest -Additional guest name -Arrival / Departure date
-Room category (Island/Ocean) -Self Paid or requesting invoice*

SINGLE ROOM - ISLAND VIEW

US \$203.72/ night

(taxes and fees included)

**This rate includes breakfast and is subject to availability*

SINGLE ROOM - OCEAN VIEW

US \$223.73/ night

(taxes and fees included)

**This rate includes breakfast and is subject to availability*

PLEASE NOTE THAT THESE RATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT PRIOR NOTICE AND DEPEND ON AVAILABILITY.