

OAS Inter-American Committee on Ports

Regional Cooperation for Port Resilience

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1. Political Dialogue



Strengthen Inter-American port dialogue as the **only permanent inter-governmental forum** at the highest level.

2. Capacity Building



Promote and **enhance management and technical capabilities** of port personnel.

3. Technical Assistance



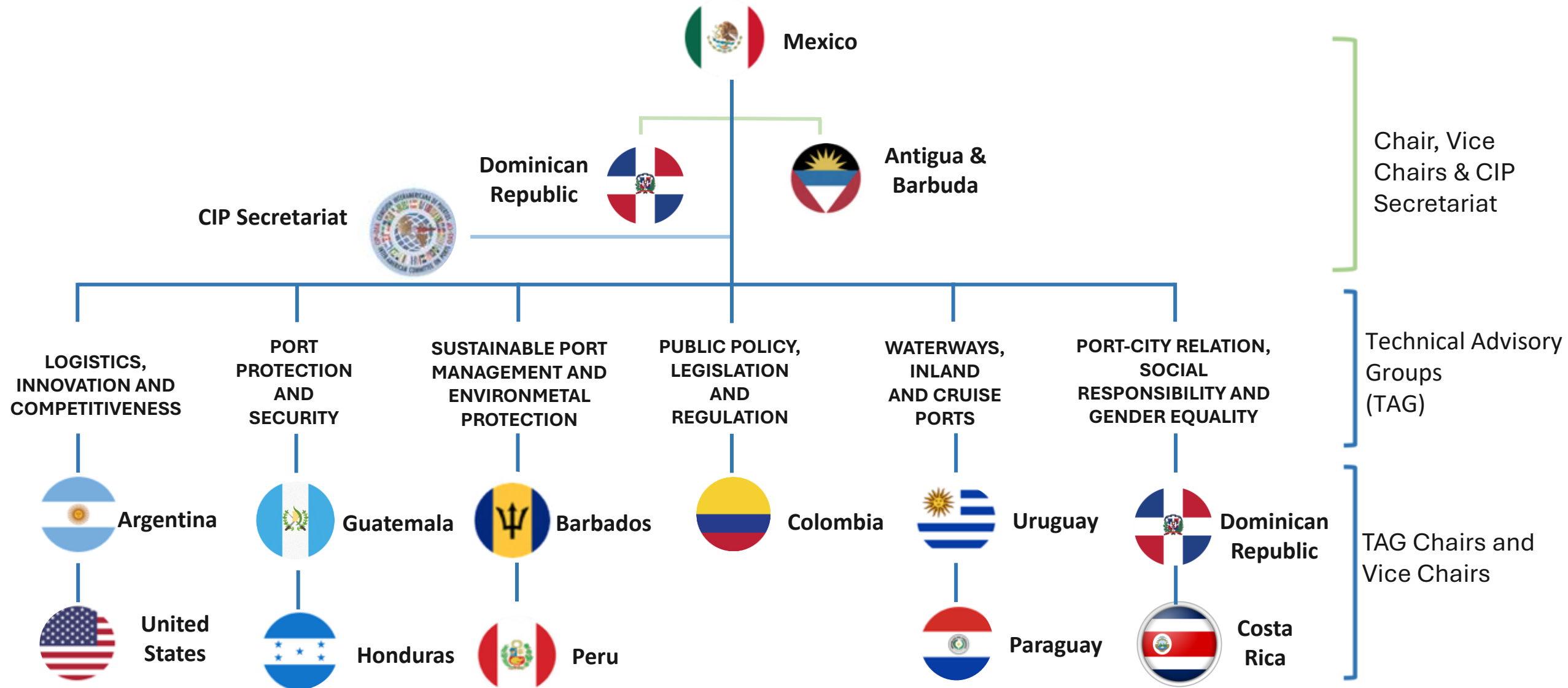
Assist Member States on port matters or **specific projects** upon request and in line with CIP-OAS mandates.

4. Private Sector Collaboration



Promote **win - win partnerships** with private sector to foster **strategic alliances** among relevant port stakeholders.

Executive Board of the CIP 2026-2029



Resources and Documents

Logistics, Innovation, and Competitiveness	Port Security and Protection	Sustainable Port Management	Port Legislation, Public Policy, and Regulation	Waterways, Inland, and Cruise Ports	Port-City Relation, Social Responsibility, Gender Equality
<u>Compilation of Best Practices: Logistics, Innovation, and Competitiveness</u>	<u>Contact Data Base of Port Facility Security Officers in the Americas</u>	<u>Guide to Environmental Certification and Sustainability Reporting for Ports of the Americas</u>	<u>Essential Elements for Port Legislation</u>	<u>Information Bulletin on Waterways, Inland and Cruise Ports</u>	<u>Guide to Tackling Harassment in the Waterway Transportation Sector</u>
<u>Study on economic and competitiveness gains from the adoption of best practices in intermodal maritime and road transport in the Americas</u>	<u>Compilation of Best Practices, Handbooks, and Guidelines: Port Security and Protection</u>	<u>Compilation of Best Practices: Sustainable Port Management and Environmental Protection</u>	<u>Compilation of Best Practices, Documents, and Studies: Port Legislation, Public Policy and Regulation</u>		<u>Information Bulletin: Port-City Relation, Social Responsibility, Gender Equality</u>
<u>Comparative Study on Maritime Port Concession Management Systems in Latin America and the Caribbean</u>	<u>Risk Analysis Matrix for Port Facility Security Officers</u>	<u>Information Bulletin on Sustainable Port Management</u>			
<u>Information Bulletin: Logistics, Innovation, Competitiveness</u>	<u>CIP Model Emergency Operations Plan (MEOP) for Ports in the Caribbean</u>				

DRM Project Phase 2 – Updates

Improved Disaster Risk Management for Caribbean Ports – Phase 2

Purpose:

- Strengthen disaster risk management (DRM) capabilities in Caribbean Port and Maritime Authorities and reduce impacts of **natural and anthropogenic hazards** on port operations.

Goal:

- Support economic growth in the Caribbean and improve business continuity in ports.

Why It Matters:

- Maritime transport = **80%+ of global cargo trade**
- **95% of Caribbean exports** depend on ports
- Ports are critical for jobs, trade, and regional development in the Caribbean region



Cargo operations at the Port of Bridgetown, BPI 2025



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DRM Project Phase 2 – Updates

Key Activities:

- Develop **Regional DRM Coordination Framework**
- Host regional workshops for stakeholder input & best practices exchange
- Conduct tabletop exercises to test the coordination framework

Impact:

- Enhances regional coordination
- Promotes consistent emergency response
- Builds a more resilient Caribbean port sector



CIP-OAS & PAJ Regional Table-Top Exercise, Kingston 2023



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DRM Project Phase 2 – Updates



Cruise vessel at the Castries Cruise Port, SLASPA 2025

Partners and Stakeholders:

- **CSA (financial support)**
- National Port Authorities
- CDEMA
- GSD
- Hudson Shoreline
- PMAC
- OAS Risk Management Section
- USCG



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DRM Project Phase 2 – Activities & Next Steps



CIP-OAS & PATT Regional Table-Top Exercise, Port of Spain 2024

- ✓ Caribbean-wide survey to assess regional DRM coordination gaps and opportunities
- ✓ Selected qualitative interviews with National Port Authorities to further assess existing regional DRM capacities, identify gaps, and gather in-depth insights
- Development of Draft Regional DRM Framework
- Coordination of stakeholder input
- Presentation of final Regional DRM Framework at CSA AGM, October 2026, Guyana
- Table-Top Exercise, December 2026, The Bahamas (*tbh*)



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Final Considerations

- Conduct regular multi-hazard risk and vulnerability **assessments**
- Expand **joint DRM training** across port, tourism, and emergency agencies
- Develop and implement **coordinated, multi-agency emergency preparedness, response, and recovery plans**

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