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**II Hemispheric Conference on Port Competitiveness and Logistics:
“Connectivity for Development”
October 20-21, 2016
Port of Veracruz, Mexico**



Oct. 20 and 21

SCT-CGPMM and S/CIP – Connectivity for Development

The S/CIP and the Secretariat of Communications and Transportation of Mexico, through its General Coordination of Ports and Merchant Marine (SCT-CGPMM), are proud to announce the II Hemispheric Conference on Port Competitiveness and Logistics: “Connectivity for Development”. To be held in the Port of Veracruz, in Veracruz, Mexico on October 20-21, 2016, the event provides a forum for the analysis of policies and strategic actions that promote efficient logistic operations in ports, multimodal transportation, and physical connectivity. Preliminary topics include Ports as Nodes of Logistics Supply Chains, Public-Private Alliances for Investment in Port Development, Single Window Supply Chains for Greater Efficiency, and Green Ports as Boosters of Competitiveness. For further information please [click here](#).



Sept. 13-15

WEDA's 2016 Central America Chapter Meeting

The Western Dredging Association (WEDA) will hold its' 2016 Central America Chapter Meeting, on September 13-15, 2016 at the Hilton Hotel, in Panama City, Panama. Its purpose is to address issues that the region will face, i.e. in the light of the Expansion of the Panama Canal. Key topics will include: Dredging and Port Development Plans in Panama, Nicaragua Canal, and updates of Port Infrastructure Development Programs in Mexico and Brazil. In addition, the event will be an excellent opportunity for networking. For more information, [click here](#).

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Nov. 15-17

**Red PBIP México Internacional, A.C. – Trendy Maritime Safety and Protection
Topics to Talk About**

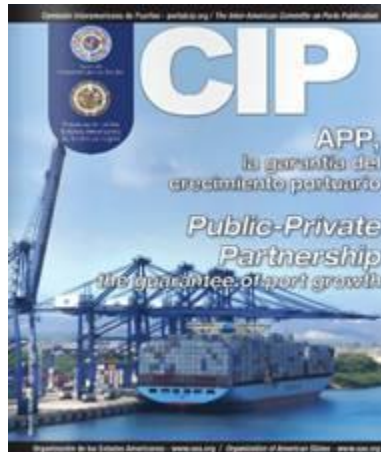
On November 15-17, 2016, Red PBIP México Internacional, A.C. and the General Maritime Directorate of the Maritime Authority of Colombia, with technical assistance of the S/CIP, will organize the X Forum and International Fair on Maritime Protection that will take place in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia. The event will allow representatives from the public and the private sectors to exchange learned practices, and discuss trendy maritime topics such as occupational safety, environmental protection, and new technologies, among others. For more information on the agenda and the event, click [here](#).



Nov.29 - Dec.2

AAPA – Latin American Ports to Discuss their Long-Term Strategies

The American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) will hold the XXV Latin American Congress of Ports from November 29th to December 2nd, 2016, in Merida, Mexico. Convened by the AAPA Latin American Delegation in partnership with the Administración Portuaria Integral de Progreso, this event will bring together more than 400 industry leaders from Port Authorities and maritime and waterway terminals in the region. The Congress will also provide the opportunity to present and debate the sector's long-term vision, in order to better prepare and adapt to future scenarios. An exhibition hall and social activities will also be part of the agenda. The S/CIP will participate on the panel: The Future of the Global Economy and International Transportation: Which Road will Latin America take? For more information on the Congress, click [here](#).



The S/CIP presents the CIP Magazine, August 2016 issue, which editorial titled is “Public-Private Partnership: Guarantee for Port Growth”. Renewed both in content and design, the CIP Magazine offers analysis and technical reports, as well as information on training opportunities and capacity building initiatives on the maritime sector of the Hemisphere. Besides the main theme of this edition, some other articles include:

- 2016 Maritime Award of the Americas;
- Ports: The Forefront of Environmental Sustainability, by RightShip;
- Cybersecurity Considerations for Port Operators, by Hudson Analytix;
- The Evolution of Latin American Conferences on Ports, by AAPA.

The CIP Magazine, August 2016 issue, is also available [here](#). If you would like to **publish and article or/and find advertising opportunities**, please contact us at cip@oas.org.



Panama Might Ratify IMO's BWMC

Panama's ship register – the world's largest – recommended to the country's parliament that it should ratify IMO's Ballast Water Management Convention (BWMC). If the parliament agrees, Panama's 20 per cent share of the world fleet will undoubtedly bring the convention into force. The country's ambassador to IMO, Arsenio Domínguez, mentioned it normally takes two or three months to complete all the parliamentary stages for ratification to be completed, followed by a few days for the documents to reach London, where he would present them to IMO Secretary General, Ki Tack Lom. For more information, click [here](#).



RightShip Qi - Benefits of Big Data and Predictive Analytics to Improve Maritime Safety and Sustainability

In 2016 RightShip will be introducing the next generation vetting tool, RightShip Qi. Pronounced 'key' – and an acronym for Quality Index – RightShip Qi is all about improving maritime safety and efficiency. RightShip Qi harnesses big data, predictive analytics and real-time risk assessments to better target substandard maritime performance. RightShip Qi has the ability to instantaneously analyze, compare and integrate data such as port state

control inspections, casualty history, satellite data and terminal feedback to identify anomalies and trends. For more information on RightShip Qi, click [here](#).



SLOM – Marine Oil Terminals to Exchange Best Practices

The Latin American Society for Monobuoys Operators (SLOM), with support of institutions such as OCP Ecuador, Petrobras, Petroperú, Petroterminales de Panamá, and Puerto Bahía, among others, will organize the XII Conference on Marine Oil Terminals and Monobuoys Operators, on October 3-5, 2016, in Mexico City. The Conference aims at sharing best practices and lessons learned in the operation and maintenance of Marine Oil Terminals. Its main objective is to contribute to the safety, efficiency, sustainability and competitiveness of oil ports. For more information, click [here](#).

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