

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".



New collaboration between the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) and Empresa Multimodal S.A.S. from Colombia

The General Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS) through the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI), with the assistance of the CIP Secretariat and Empresa Multimodal S.A.S. have formalized a collaborative and productive relationship through the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in April 2023.

This is to join efforts to promote the integral development of the ports of the Americas and sets the legal foundation to properly frame the collaborative implementation of training activities, including virtual events, online learning courses and studies on topics relevant to the port community.

It is only thanks to donor partners and cooperative relationships such as this one with Multimodal that the plans for the remainder of this year and 2024 will incorporate a vision that is not only greater, but better integrated for the benefit of the CIP community.

For more information, please contact Sabina Malnis, Projects Manager of the CIP Secretariat at smalnis@oas.org



Puertos del Estado



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

25TH IBERO-AMERICAN COURSE ON PORT MANAGEMENT



25th Ibero-American Course on Port Management

Deadline: July 15

The CIP Secretariat and the Puertos del Estado of Spain are proud to announce the 25th Ibero-American Port Management Course, which will take place from September 25 to October 27, 2023, in Madrid, Spain.

The organizing entities will grant up to a maximum of twenty-five (25) scholarships to applicants who are **citizens or permanent residents of a Member State** of the OAS. Each applicant must submit to the Secretariat of the

CIP all documents required in the call by email to mambriz@oas.org with a copy to cip@oas.org, no later than **Friday, July 15, 2023**.

In order to verify that the application and supporting documents are properly completed and correct, the Secretariat recommends that applicants submit their applications well before the deadline.

For more information about the course, please click [here](#).

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 **Administración General de Puertos**

 **Administración Nacional de Navegación y Puertos**

Conectividad Fluvial: Hidrovías y Puertos Interiores

24 DE MAYO, 2023
11:00 AM. EST. (WASHINGTON D.C)

Agenda:
11:00 – 11:10 - Palabras de apertura: Jorge Durán, Jefe de la Secretaría, CIP-OEA
11:10 – 11:15 - Introducción de los Panelistas: Secretaría de la CIP-OEA
11:15 – 11:30 - José Bení, Interventor, Administración General de Puertos (AGP) - Argentina
11:30 – 11:45 - Jose E. Sánchez, PE, SES, Delegado Principal de EE.UU. ante la Comisión de Navegación Interior Asociación Mundial de Infraestructuras de Transporte Acuático (PIANC)
11:45 – 12:00 - Juan Carlos Muñoz Mena, Director, Administración Nacional de Navegación y Puertos (ANNP) - Paraguay
12:00 – 12:20 - Sesión de preguntas y respuestas
12:20 – 12:30 - Clausura



Webinar on River Connectivity: Waterways and Inland Ports

May 24

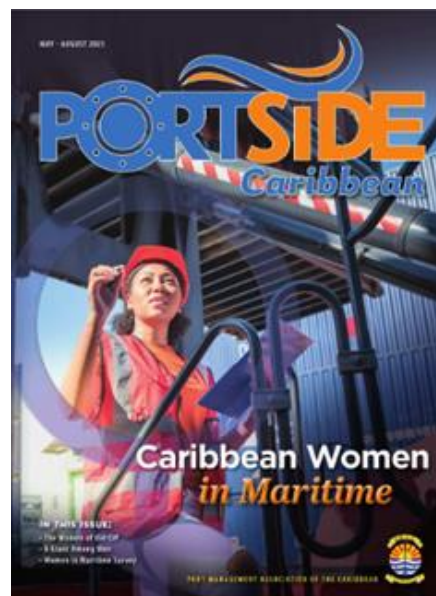
The CIP Secretariat invites you to the Spanish based Webinar “River Connectivity: Waterways and Inland Ports” to be held on May 24 at 11:00 am Washington, D.C.

The Webinar will address the importance of waterways and inland ports for the economic development of the region, as well as the main challenges for integration strategy and its impact on global trade. Representatives of the

General Administration of Ports (AGP) of Argentina, the World Association of Water Transport Infrastructures (PIANC) and the National Administration of Navigation and Ports (ANNP) of Paraguay, will present on the role of waterways and inland ports in fluvial connectivity and its influence on the competitiveness of the countries where they are located. The presentations will be followed by a Q&A session.

The webinar will be in Spanish.

For more information, please contact Monica Blanco, CIP Project Coordinator, at mblanco@oas.org. To register to the Webinar, please click [here](#).



The Women of the CIP

Under the *Caribbean Women in Maritime* theme, the 2023 Spring edition of the Portside Caribbean journal includes an article by Jorge Duran, Chief of the CIP Secretariat, on the outstanding work of the women who are part of the CIP Dream Team. This Team organizes and delivers CIP's projects and

programmes across the Americas following the challenging mandate of strengthening hemispheric cooperation for port sector development.

In this edition, Portside Caribbean celebrates the monumental work and sterling contribution of women in a global industry that is still largely male dominated.

To read the article (page 8) and the complete Portside Caribbean journal please click [here](#).



Announcement of the 2023 Maritime Award of the Americas Winners

The CIP Secretariat is honored to announce and congratulate the winning institutions of the 2023 Maritime Award of the Americas: "Integral Management for Port Sector Modernization in the Americas".

In this ninth edition of the Award, the Jury Committee received more than 37 entries of the highest level from thirteen (13) countries in North America, Latin America, and the Caribbean. In all cases, the applications demonstrated great commitment to the maritime-port sector of their countries.

After a highly competitive process, the winning institutions of the Maritime Award of the Americas 2023 are recognized for the excellence, leadership, and innovation in their operations, including digitalization, cybersecurity, sustainable port practices and gender equality

Winning Institutions

- **Category: Cyber Security in Ports and/or Terminals**

- Winning institution: Barbados Port Inc. – Barbados & HudsonAnalytix – United States

- **Category: Competitive Digitalization**

- Winning institution: Transportadora Callao S.A. - Peru

- **Category: Empowerment and Equality**

- Winning institution: Portonave S/A - Terminais Portuários de Navegantes - Brazil

- **Category: Green Port Operations and Sustainable Management**

- Winning institution: Administración del Sistema Portuario Nacional Ensenada, S.A. de C.V. – Mexico
- Honorable Mention: RightShip - United States

To access the official presentation of the winning practices, please click [here](#).

To learn more about the recipients of the Maritime Award of the Americas 2022 and other editions of the Award, please click [here](#).

The CIP Secretariat thanks all the institutions that have participated in this edition of the Award for their important commitment to the port sector in the region and thanks its strategic partners for their significant support in this initiative.



Winner of the Award for Outstanding Woman in the Port and Maritime Sector 2023

The CIP Secretariat, with the support of the OAS Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM), is proud to announce the winner of the 2023 Maritime Award of the Americas in the category 'Outstanding Woman in the Maritime and Port Sector', for her leadership, dedication, and significant achievements. This Award recognizes her professional contributions to the development of a competitive, secure, sustainable, and inclusive port sector in the Americas.

Winner:



Mervel Kotzebue-Fleur
General Manager
DP World Paramaribo

Honorable Mention:



Carla Monrabal
President
Consorcio de Gestión del Puerto de Dock Sud

To learn more about their careers, please click [here](#).



Risk Analysis Matrix for Port Facility Protection Officers

The CIP Secretariat is pleased to announce that the Risk Analysis Matrix for Port Facility Protection Officers is on the CIP Portal under the section of Documents and Resources of the Port Protection and Security Technical Advisory Group (TAG).

The Matrix was created and written by Dr. Noe Cuervo Vásquez from consulting and training company “Dr. Cuervo Consultores”. The Secretariat currently has permission for the use and dissemination of the Matrix. The Matrix is a tool created to make quantitative assessments of possible risks presented during port operations. Solutions can be implemented to improve port safety and security based on the evaluations performed with the metrics it gives.

Also on the CIP Portal is a manual for the user to properly navigate through the Risk Analysis Matrix for Port Facility Protection Officers.

For the Risk Analysis Matrix for Port Facility Protection Officers, please click [here](#). For the Manual, please click [here](#). For the Documents and Resources of the Port Protection and Security Technical Advisory Group (TAG), please click [here](#).



Biden-Harris Administration Opens Applications for \$848 Million in Competitive Grant Funding to Make Roads, Bridges, Transit, Rail, and Ports More Resilient to Climate Change

As part of the President's Investing in America agenda, the Competitive Grant Funding program will invest in projects to make the country's surface transportation system – including highways, public transportation, pedestrian facilities, ports, and intercity passenger rail – more resilient to the worsening impacts of climate change, while reducing long-term costs by minimizing demands for more expensive future maintenance and rebuilding. The program prioritizes innovative and collaborative approaches to risk reduction, including approaches that harness the power of nature to protect against flood, erosion, wave damage, and heat impacts.

By funding projects that improve resilience to natural hazards and climate change impacts, the PROTECT Discretionary Grant Program aims to reduce damage and disruption to the transportation system and improve the safety of the traveling public. The program will improve equity and further environmental justice by addressing the needs of disadvantaged communities that are often the most vulnerable to hazards. Grant applicants at all levels of government, from local governments and Indian Tribes to State DOTs, are encouraged to apply for up to \$848 million in discretionary grant funding, which comes on top of PROTECT formula funding that is already flowing to States.

The Notice of Funding Opportunity for Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 is available [here](#) and will remain open for applicants through August 18, 2023.

For the full press release, click [here](#).



The CIP Secretariat is pleased to announce and acknowledge that Mona Swoboda, Program Manager of the Secretariat co-authored a chapter on “Port Automation and Governance” in the newly published book “Smart Ports and Robotic Systems” by the World Maritime University in Malmo, Sweden.

The book provides a comprehensive overview of smart ports and remote technologies in the maritime industry. It demonstrates how modern advances in artificial intelligence and robotics have transformed the shipping industry, and assesses the impact of this technology from a law and governance standpoint. The book covers a range of topics including port autonomous operations systems, cybersecurity, big data analytics, digitalization and blockchain to throw light on the opportunities and benefits of these new technologies in improving security and safety. It also considers the challenges and threats of their application. It concludes by examining the trajectory of national and international regulatory developments. The book will appeal to scholars and students of maritime technology, law and governance, as well as practitioners and policymakers.

For learn more about the book, please click [here](#).



BARBADOS PORT INC.

Chief Executive Officer, Mr. David Jean-Marie, announced that effective April 9th, 2023, Barbados Port Inc (BPI), will transition the Port of Bridgetown to a full Free Out Port. At the same time, he said BPI will move stevedoring services in-house, for execution by Port labour. Assuming an annual throughput of 100,000 Twenty-Foot Equivalent Unit (TEU) containers at the Port, distributed by imported, exported, transhipped and empty container categories, the net saving to customers in Barbados from the proposed transition is approximately Bds\$7.6 Million annually.

The saving per TEU in the Dry container category will be Bds\$162.27 while that per TEU Refrigerated will be \$168.14 and that for Loaded Exports will be \$63.22 per TEU. Outlining the benefits the new model will bring, Mr. Jean-Marie noted that Shipping Lines will have a more transparent ocean freight, while customers will benefit from a lower Cost Insurance and Freight (CIF) value and consequentially lower imposts.

Additionally, BPI's transition to a full Free Out Port will streamline billing arrangements, where all the cargo-specific costs previously charged through the shipping line as part of the ocean freight, as well as the new consolidated stevedoring services charge and revised Free Alongside Ship (FAS) charge, will now be collected by the Port from local importers/consignees.

The Barbados Chamber of Commerce recognizes that the BPI has no control over Ocean Freight Rates but has committed to working with BPI as they

transition to their new operating model.

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

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