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Call for Applications: Master's in Port Management and Intermodal Transport

Deadline: July 12, 2024

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS) and ValenciaPort Foundation are pleased to announce the 33rd edition of the Master's in Port Management and Intermodal Transport (MGPT), which will take place from October 17, 2024, to June 28, 2025, in Valencia, Spain.

The organizing entities will grant 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 established in the call for applications.

Please note this Master will be held in Spanish only.

Each applicant must submit all documentation electronically to Montserrat Ambriz at the CIP Secretariat, at mambriz@oas.org no later than July 12, 2024.



iPORT CONFERENCE 2024: Intelligent Port Expansion & Modernization

July 17 - 18, 2024

JP Mundo is pleased to announce the iPORT conference, to be held with the institutional support of CIP Secretariat, from July 17 to 18, 2024 in Lima, Peru.

The conference will provide a platform designed to debate strategies and process for the develop of port industry and related businesses in the current political context and economic environment. It is expected that 200 level C executives of governmental agencies, national and foreign investors, financial banks and institutions, equipment, technology and services providers, EPC and developers of port invest projects, among others will attend. The objective of the conference is to consolidate the efforts of government and private sector to impulse the development of port industry in Latin America.

CIP-OAS National Port Authorities can attend at the conference without registration fees.

For more information, contact Isabel Torres, WhatsApp +573015019223 or e-mail itorres@jpmundo.com.

For additional information about the conference go to : [IPORT_conference\(jpmundo.com\)](http://IPORT_conference(jpmundo.com))



Save the date!

5th Hemispheric Seminar on Public Policy, Legislation and Regulation and 18th Port Maritime Congress

November 6-8, 2024

The CIP Secretariat in collaboration with the National Port Commission of Guatemala (CPN) are pleased to announce the 5th Hemispheric Seminar on Public Policy, Legislation and Regulation and the 18th Port Maritime Congress to be held in November 6 - 8, 2024 in Guatemala City, Guatemala.

This event will bring together port experts from the hemisphere that will tackle the biggest challenges the sector faces and discuss trends on topics such as legislation, sustainability, security, among others.

Formal invitations will be sent shortly.

The slide features logos for OEA (Más derechos para más gente), CIP (Comisión Interamericana de Puertos), and the Mexican Government (GOBIERNO DE MÉXICO) with the Secretaría de Marina (MARINA). The title is 'PUERTO INTELIGENTE SEGURO: EL PORT COMMUNITY SYSTEM (PCS) DE MÉXICO' dated 27 DE JUNIO, 2024 at 12:00 PM EST. (WASHINGTON D.C.). A circular image shows a port at night with lights reflecting on the water. Logos for Real ID, Zoom, and 'Presentado por el Socio Estratégico de la CIP' are at the bottom.

Agenda:

- 12:00 - 12:10 - Apertura:
 - Jorge Durán, Jefe de la Secretaría, CIP-OEA
- 12:10 - 12:20 - Introducción:
 - Alm. Mario Gasque, Director General, ASIPONA Manzanillo
- 12:20 - 13:20 - Visión Logística y Transformación Digital del Sistema Portuario Nacional (SPN):
 - Expertos ASIPONA Manzanillo
- 13:20 - 13:35 - Atención a Preguntas y Comentarios:
 - Modera - Lic. Yoshelin Odette Padilla Chagoyán
- 13:35 - 13:45 - Clausura:
 - Cap. de Alt. Manuel Fernando Gutiérrez Gallardo, Coordinador General de Puertos y Marina Mercante, Secretaría de Marina de México
 - Jorge Durán, Jefe de la Secretaría, CIP-OEA

Recording available: Webinar “Puerto Inteligente Seguro. The port Community System (PCS) of Mexico”

The CIP Secretariat is pleased to inform that the recording of the Webinar “*Puerto Inteligente Seguro: Mexico’s Port Community System (PCS)*” held on Thursday, June 27, is now available.

Organized by the CIP Secretariat in collaboration with the Secretariat of the Navy (SEMAR) of Mexico, the Webinar featured experts from the National Port System Administration (ASIPONA) of Manzanillo. During the webinar, the experts presented on basic aspects of Mexico's Port Community System (PCS), known as *Puerto Inteligente Seguro (PIS)* and a summary of its implementation.

This Webinar had a record attendance of 520 participants from 26 different countries.

To access the recording, please click [here](#).

To download the presentations, please click [here](#).



ESTIR and Sembrando Esperanza (SE) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU)

On June 14, 2024, ESTIR and *Sembrando Esperanza* signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the objective of strengthening social cohesion and preventing violence and irregular migration in Puerto Cortes and Omoa villages.

This agreement represents a significant advance in the collaboration between *Sembrando Esperanza*, a USAID initiative, and ESTIR, a port company committed to social well-being and woman empowerment in the port sector. The MoU reinforces the commitment of both organization working together to address social challenges from these communities and promoting an environment of human security.

Albert Power, President of ESTIR and AGP Group said “this is yet another stage fulfilled, of a dream that I had 20 years ago where the priority was the

formalization of the staff working in the dock, and these had their own identity; and formalized what today it is a profession; that dream began to mold with each stage, change and above all the sense of being a stevedore. With this we have managed to generate changes in the local community and generate employment that dignify”

For more information on ESTIR and the MoU, please click [here](#).



Research on cybersecurity laws and standards in the port sector

The CIP Secretariat is pleased to announce the investigation on cybersecurity law and standards in the port sector carried out by Mr. Pedro Elizalde, Regional Director of the Law Department at *Tecnologico de Monterrey Zona Occidente*, and visiting researcher to the CIP.

Pedro has a PhD in International Law with specialization on Maritime Law/Right by the Universidad Autonoma de Barcelona. Furthermore, he has a master's degree in International Law by the *Tecnologico de Monterrey*, Mexico City Campus.

During his research stay at the CIP, Pedro will collect data for his research entitled

the cybersecurity law and standards in the port sector. The research's objectives are: mapping the main international standards on cybersecurity; studying different national port laws to identify guidelines and measures on the subject of study; analyzing national strategies on cybersecurity in order to identify good practices; and formulating recommendations that must take into account the national port laws on cybersecurity.

In the summary of his research, Pedro explains that currently, port protection must consider both physical and cybernetic threats. Because of this, port sector actors must implement cybersecurity and risk management measures to address the new maritime protection challenges. Nevertheless, no international convention or standards exist that are universally accepted by this area. In consequence, the measures or actions implemented in terms of cybersecurity and cybernetic risk management are different between the port actors from different countries. For this reason, Pedro is committed to carrying out this research.

The result of the investigation will be integrated in a guide which will be published in digital format through the CIP Web to be consulted by the CIP members, port sector and everyone interested on the topic.



The CIP Secretariat welcomes to its new intern, Virginia Asis

The CIP Secretariat is pleased to extend a warm welcome to Virginia Asis from Argentina who will be our summer intern.

Virginia is a political scientist focused on Sustainable Development. She has extensive experience in research and Public Management. She completed her thesis degree about Local Governance and Climate Change and currently works as a researcher at the Center of Strategic Studies of International Relations of Argentina. She worked as an intern in the Secretariat of Environmental Management and Sustainability of Cordoba's Municipality, where she gained experience in environmental public management. Moreover, she has experience as a university professor, working as a graduate teaching assistant in the Social Science Department of National University of Cordoba.

To know more about Virginia, please click [here](#)



Course on Dredging for Sustainable Infrastructure

September 24 - 26, 2024

The registration for the course Dredging for Sustainable Infrastructure, carried out by the International Association of Dredging Companies, is open. This course will be held from September 24-26, 2024, in Copenhagen, Denmark.

The course is designed for those professionals involved in dredging-related activities for water infrastructure development. Throughout the course, participants will learn how to achieve dredging projects that fulfil primary functional requirements while adding value to the natural and socio-economic systems in the context of dredging. Participants will also learn about stakeholder engagement throughout a project's development.

To know more about this course, please click [here](#).



25th International Congress on Maritime Law

September 30 - October 3, 2024

The Ibero-American Institute of Maritime Law announces the 25th International Congress on Maritime Law, to be held from September 30 to October 3, 2024, in Playa Carmen, Mexico.

This four-day event aims to connect leaders and specialists in maritime law from around the globe to explore the latest tendencies and challenges on the sector and participate in enriching discussions. Mr. Jorge Durán, Chief of the CIP Secretariat, will participate as Speaker.

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

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