

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".



2025 NAMEPA Marine Operations Seminar

March 5, 2025

The North American Marine Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA) invites you to participate in the 2025 Marine Operations Seminar, the leading forum for advancing best practices and innovation in marine operations, to be held in Deer Park, Texas, and hosted by the Houston Pilots.

The event will bring together industry experts, maritime professionals, and environmental advocates to discuss critical topics such as operational efficiency, safety, and environmental sustainability in the maritime sector.

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



APPA Legislative Summit 2025

March 18-20, 2025

The American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) invites you to participate in the 2025 Legislative Summit, the premier forum for government affairs and advocacy in the port industry, to be held in Washington, D.C.

The event will bring together senior port executives and federal government leaders to discuss critical issues facing the sector. It will include one-on-one meetings with Congressional leaders, fostering dialogue and advancing key policies for the future of maritime trade and port infrastructure in the United States.

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



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**EVOLUCIÓN DEL COMERCIO MARÍTIMO:
ADAPTACIÓN A NUEVAS TENDENCIAS**

20 DE MARZO, 2025
12:00 pm – 13:30 PM Washington D.C.

Agenda:
12:00 – 12:10 - Apertura: Secretaría de la CIP
12:15 – 12:30 - Oscar Medina, Socio Director, Empresa Multimodal, Colombia
12:35 – 12:50 - Guimara Tuñón Guerra, Directora Ejecutiva, Maritime Policy Bureau, Panamá
12:55 – 13:10 - Cap. Alt. María Marisa Abarca Hernández, Directora de Desarrollo de Negocios Américas, Boluda Corporación Marítima, Capítulo de México
13:10 – 13:20 - Sesión de preguntas y respuestas
13:20 – 13:30 - Clausura: Secretaría de la CIP

Webinar on Evolution of Maritime Trade: Adaptation to New Trends

March 20, 2025

The Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) is pleased to announce the webinar "Evolution of Maritime Trade: Adaptation to New Trends" to be held on March 20. This event, in collaboration with Empresa Multimodal, Maritime Policy Bureau, and Boluda Corporación Marítima, will provide an updated perspective on the challenges and opportunities in the sector in an ever-changing global context. Please note this event will be in Spanish.

To register, please click the following link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/f39GPrCuS9Ko-ppni-jZsQ>



2025 AAPA LATAM – CIP OAS Port Industry Award of Excellence

AAPA LATAM and the CIP-OAS Secretariat reaffirm their commitment to a competitive and sustainable port industry. In this context, they are launching the 4th edition of the Port Industry Excellence Award, recognizing the ports of the Americas that stand out in technology and innovation, port performance and growth, and public-private partnerships, promoting the economic and social development of the region.



2025 AAPA LATAM – CIP Port Industry Award for Excellence

Deadline: April 11, 2025

The Latin American branch of the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) LATAM and the Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS) are pleased to announce the fourth 2025 edition of the 2025 Port Industry Award for Excellence. This award aims to recognize public and private ports, terminals, and port operators in the CIP-OAS Member States in the Americas that demonstrate excellence in their operations and contribute to the economic and social prosperity of the region.

Three distinguished categories will be recognized: Technology and Innovation, Port Performance and Growth and Public-Private Partnerships.

The call for applications will be open from March 5 to April 11, 2025.

For more information about the award guidelines and to access the submission forms, please click [here](#).



11th Edition of the Maritime Award of the Americas “Recognizing Outstanding Port Management in the Americas” and 2025 Outstanding Woman in the Maritime and Port Sectors

Deadline: June 27, 2025

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) is pleased to announce the 11th edition of the Maritime Award of the Americas: “Recognizing Outstanding Port Management in the Americas.”

Organized in collaboration with strategic partners such as the North American Marine Environment Protection Association (NAMEPA), the Latin American Society of Marine Oil Terminal Operators and Single-Buoy Mooring (SLOM), the OAS Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM), and the OAS Department of Sustainable Development (DSD), this award seeks to recognize best practices in the port sector. Additionally, a special recognition will be awarded to the 2025 Outstanding Woman in the Maritime and Port Sectors, highlighting her leadership and contribution to the empowerment of other women in the industry.

Submissions will be open until June 27, 2025.

For more information on the award guidelines and to access the application forms, please click [here](#).

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1st edition: Information Bulletin on Port Protection and Security

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) of the Organization of American States (OAS) is pleased to inform that the 1st Issue of the Digital Information Bulletin on Port Protection and Security is now available.

This bulletin includes successful practices on of the Technical Advisory Group on this topic from the following Member States: Colombia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Guyana, Jamaica, Mexico, Panama and Paraguay.

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



Puerto Santo Tomás de Castilla: New Associate Member of the CIP

The CIP Secretariat is pleased to welcome Puerto Santo Tomás de Castilla as its newest associate member.

Located on Guatemala's Caribbean coast, this multipurpose port is a key facilitator of international maritime trade, professionally managing and providing services for loading, unloading, and transferring cargo. With nearly 70 years of experience, it stands out for its operational efficiency, innovation, and commitment to environmental sustainability.

To learn more about Puerto Santo Tomás de Castilla, visit their website [here](#).

RESULTADOS DE LA ENCUESTA SOBRE PROTECCION Y SEGURIDAD PORTUARIA

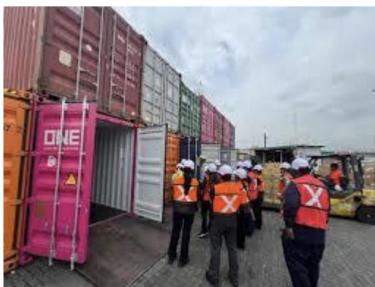


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Results of the Survey on Port Protection and Security

The Secretariat of the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP) invites you to explore the results of the survey conducted in June 2024 on “Identification of Needs to Strengthen Training in Port Protection and Security.” Aimed at the National Port Authorities of CIP Member States, this initiative sought to identify actionable strategies to enhance training in port protection and security.

The survey results emphasize that training must be continuous, up-to-date, and periodically evaluated. This ensures that employees are equipped with the knowledge and skills necessary to effectively safeguard port security.

To access the full article, click [here](#).

ACTUALIZACIÓN SOBRE MEDIDAS PARA REGULAR LA DESCARGA DE AGUAS DE LAVADO

DE LOS DEPURADORES DE LOS BUQUES
EN EL HEMISFERIO OCCIDENTAL

Update on Measures to Regulate the Discharge of Scrubber Wash Water in the Western Hemisphere

Institute of the Americas invites you to read the report "Update on Measures to Regulate the Discharge of Scrubber Wash Water in the Western Hemisphere". This document is an update to a more comprehensive study, published in English in April 2022, on the same topic.

Following the implementation of the IMO 2020 regulation, which limits sulfur in marine fuels, the use of scrubbers has grown significantly. However, these technologies generate wastewater containing pollutants that impact marine ecosystems. The report analyzes the increase in regulations in the Western Hemisphere, from 8 jurisdictions in 2022 to 15 currently, and the mitigation measures adopted in the Americas.

Access the full report by clicking [here](#).

Join us!

To receive information on collaboration opportunities, please click [here](#) or communicate directly with the CIP Secretariat.