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12 InCom Active Working Groups



WG	Title	First meeting	Chairman
125	RIS Guidelines	2016	C. Willems
128	Alternative Bank Protection	2016	B. Soehngen
141	Design Guidelines for Inland Waterways (Ready)	2010	B. Soehngen
154	Mitre Gate Design and Operation (Ready)	2013	F. Joers
166	Inflatable Structures in Hydraulic Engineering (Ready)	2013	M. Gebhardt
173	Movable Bridges and Rolling Gates (Ready)	2013	T. Paulus
179	CEMT '92 Classification – Towards a New CEMT	2015	I. Ten Broeke
189	Fatigue of Hydraulic Steel Structures	2016	Dirk-Jan Peters
190	Corrosion Protection of Lock Equipment	2017	R. Wilson
191	Composites for Hydraulic Structures	2016	H. Ranga Rao
192	Automation and Remote Operation of Locks and Bridges	2016	L. Dejonckheere

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5 New InCom Working Groups (launched in 2017)



WG	Title	Established	Nominated Experts
197	Small Hydropower Plant in Waterways	2017	18
198	Saltwater Intrusion Mitigations and Technologies for Inland Waterways	2017	10
199	Health Monitoring for Port and Waterway Structures” (Joint InCom-MarCom Group)	2017	18
201	<i>Development of a Proposal of Inland Waterway Classification for South America (Joint PIANC– CEPAL WG)</i>	2017	<i>About 20</i>
203	Sustainable Inland Waterways A Guide for Waterways Managers on Social and Environmental Impacts	2017	Call for members

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WG 201

Development of a Proposal of Inland Waterway Classification for South America (Joint PIANC – CEPAL WG)



*Based on the results
PIANC-ECLAC-ANTAQ
Workshop
(Copedec Rio 2016)*



Objective:

*To develop a proposal and implementation strategy for a **common inland waterway classification for South America**, combining the knowledge of South American inland navigation experts, ECLAC and PIANC and taking into account the experience of other regions of the world*



WG 201- Inland Waterway Classification for South America (Joint PIANC – Cepal Group)



Pre-meeting questionnaire:

1) What are the main applications of a common South American inland waterway classification?

Common language for different stakeholders	?	Use of new technologies (RIS, AIS, ...)	?
Vessels design / Naval improvements	?	Facilitated access to financing of infrastructure projects	?
Support inland waterways policies and projects in Infrastructure development: planning, monitoring and identifying missing links and bottlenecks that should be prioritized.	?	Basis for investment decisions and cost estimates by Governments and shipping and transport industry	?
Increasing safety and ease of navigation by ensuring the orderly and efficient control and maintenance of waterways.	?	Planning of regional integration projects	?
Make information available as a guarantee for users that minimum dimensions will be respected	?	Identifying IWT competitiveness by laying down maximum vessel sizes, affecting navigation and transport costs.	?
Achieving a more sustainable use of inland waterways (and transport in general)	?	Other:	?



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Pre-meeting questionnaire:

2) What are the parameters that should be considered in inland waterway classification?

Waterway depth (min and average, per month)	?	Air clearance (bridge)	?
Navigability (level of difficulty)	?	Navigation obstacles/constraints (shallow passage, etc.)	?
Guaranteed a secured navigability all the year (% of time: 50%, 75%, 90%, 99%)	?	Availability of Ports and Terminal facilities with a multimodal platform	?
Guaranteed day and night navigation (with suitable traffic aids) : 24h/day	?	Availability of Vessel support / assistance services	?
Availability (or not) of waterways signs and markings, aids to navigation facilities, and River information services (RIS)	?	Existence flow control infrastructure as navigation weir and navigation locks, which limits ship sizes.	?
Vessel type (barge, convoy, seagoing), the tonnage and the vessel's dimensions (draft, beam, length)	?	Local wind, current & wave characteristics	?
Traffic Volume (tons or passengers) & Number of Vessels/day	?	Tides / Water level information services	?
Facilities for environment-friendly navigation	?	Other:	?



InCom WG - Published Reports



WG 139.
Values of Inland Waterways (2016)



WG 156.
E-Navigation for Inland Waterways (2017)



WG 154
Mitre Gate Design and Operation (2017)
➔ **WORKSHOP 6th Nov 2017 in Brussels**





InCom WG - Reports to be Published Soon



WG 141.
Design Guidelines for IW



WG 166.
Inflatable Struct. in Hydraulic Engineering



WG 173
Movable Bridges and Rolling Gates



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InCom WGs on Navigation Locks



Improved State of Arts in Navigation Locks **PIANC proposes a series of integrated reports**

- PIANC Report on Locks – 1986 (state)
- WG 106 - Innovations in Navigation Lock Design (2009)
- WG 151 - Impacts of seismic loads and ship impact on lock gates
- WG 155 - Ship behavior in locks and lock approaches
- WG 173 - Movable Bridges and Rolling Gates
- WG 189 - Fatigue of Hydraulic Steel Structures
- WG 190 - Corrosion Protection of Lock Equipment
- WG 191 - Composites for Hydraulic Structures
- WG 192 - Automation and remote operation of locks and bridges
- WG 198 - Saltwater Intrusion Mitigations and Technologies for Inland Waterways
- WG 199 - Health Monitoring for Port and Waterway Structures

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Panama , May 2017

PIANC Short Courses / Workshops



- Sustainable Inland Waterways (Values of IW)
- Innovations in Lock and Gate Design &
- Rolling Gates and Operational Machinery Process Design
- Salt Water Intrusion Mitigation Techniques
- Inflatable Structures in Hydraulic Engineering
- Transportation Logistic Systems

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(PIANC) Permanent International Association of Navigation Congresses

The InCom Commission focusses on Inland Navigation, Inland Waterways, River and Port Infrastructures, Inland Waterway transport and Logistics, ...

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Latest Events

Presentations - Workshop INCOM ECLAC ANTAQ
24 October 2016 ■ EVENTS

PIANC -ECLAC-ANTAQ WORKSHOP - COPEDEC 2016
24 October 2016 ■ EVENTS

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Program



The full program for Smart Rivers can be found at:

<http://smartrivers2017.busyconf.com/schedule>

CONFERENCE PRINTED PROGRAM: [PIANC-SMART Rivers Printed Program](#)

Session A1 – AIS, Moderator Patricia DiJoseph

[Inland Waterway Travel Time Atlas via AIS Data Analysis – Patricia DiJoseph, USACE](#)

[Voyage and Traffic Planning Services and the relevancy of AIS – Rold Hommes, Ensysbv](#)

[Using IENC data to support AIS – Daniel McBride, USACE](#)

[Using Public US Army Corps of Engineers Data for Waterway Performance Indicators – Steven Riley, USACE](#)

Session A2 – River Information Systems – Moderator, Brian Tetreault

[Providing e-Navigation on Inland Rivers with AIS – Gregory Johnson, USACE](#)

[Electronic Reporting and advanced River Information Services – Andreas Scherb, viadonau](#)

[RIS development in the United States – Juergen Troegl, viadonau](#)

[VisuRIS – Visualisation of RIS related information – Piet Creemers, Waterwegen](#)

Session A3 – MTS Performance – Moderator, Marin Kress

[Storytelling Big Data with Information Technologies – Forrest Vanderbilt, USACE](#)

[Indicators for Port Response and Recovery: A Case Study on Hurricane Matthew in the Southeast – Katherine Touzinsky, USACE](#)

[Evaluation of Supervised Learning to Identify Trends in Pittsburgh River Water Quality – Joe Zappitelli, University of Pittsburgh](#)



[Framework for a Port Activities Scoring System – Douglas Scheffler, U.S. Coast Guard](#)

Session A4 – Future eNav Directions – Moderator, Craig Philip

[Electronic Navigation: The Future of Waterborne Shipping – Bethany Stich, the University of New Orleans](#)

[USACE IENC – An Overview of the IENC Program and Future Technical Directions – Dale Dodson, USACE](#)

[Results of PIANC Working Group 156 on e-Navigation for Inland Waterways – Dierik Vermeir, ALSIC](#)

[The next generation of the Guidelines for River Information Services \(RIS\) “PIANC WG125” – Cas Willems, Rijkswaterstaat](#)

Session A5 – Data Collection & Dissemination Frameworks, Moderator, Eddie Wiggins

[Analysis and Dissemination of Information in Support of e-Navigation – Joel Box, Gatehouse](#)

[eHydro: A USACE Enterprise GIS Navigation Support Program for Standardizing and Processing Hydrographic Surveys – Matthew Staley, USACE](#)

[Aiding Navigation through Centralizing information Dissemination – Alexandra Schafer, USACE](#)

[River Information Services Enterprise \(RISE\) – A Framework that Harmonizes the Collection, Integration, Exchange, Presentation, and Analysis of River Information Services within the U.S. Inland Waterways – Joseph Celano, TRABUS Technologies](#)

Session A6 – Cooperation and Regulations, Moderator, Kevin Knight

[Incentivizing contractors to deliver value for money and long-term performance leads to optimized designs for waterways – Douwe Hoornstra, Besix](#)

[Why Doesn't Anyone Compare Navigation Benefit/Cost Analysis Strategies? – Mark Carr, Channel Design Group](#)

[Keeper of the Danube: the facilitating role of the ICPDR – From Joint Statement on Navigation to the “MEETET” Activity – Helene Masliah-Gilkarov International Commission for the Danube River](#)

[Who should pay for Sediment Cleanup? – Jason Dittman, TIG Environmental](#)

Session A7 – Recreational Navigation – Denise Soisson

[Making The Nation's Largest Waterfront Redevelopment Real – The Trials and Tribulations of “The District Wharf” Project – Jessica McIntyre, Moffe & Nichol, USA](#)

[Risk, Reward and Resilience: Engineering Community Waterfronts for Extreme Events and Everyday Success – Margaret Boshek, SmithGroup JJF](#)

[Recreational Navigation Infrastructure Working with Nature – Esteban Biondi, Applied Technology & Management, Inc](#)

Session A8 – Freight Flow – Moderator, Jeff Lillycrop

[The Nautical Network Puzzle – how to build the \(European\) waterway network for RIS Corridor Management – Christopher Plasil, Viadonau](#)

[Modernization of Navigation Statistics Publishing – Dale Brown, USACE](#)

[Fluidity Analysis of Major Inland River Freight Corridors – Ned Mitchell, USACE](#)

Session B1- Climate Change – Moderator, Anne Cann

[Global Climate Change Action and the Transportation Sector: What is Happening Now and What to Expect – Leah Dundon, Vanderbilt University](#)

[Climate Change Adaptation: Why, What, and When? – Jan Brooke, United Kingdom](#)

[Transboundary Climate Change Adaptation of the Largest European Inland Port Area – Niels Van Steenberg, de Vlaamse Waterweg](#)



[Carbon Management for Port and Navigation Infrastructure – Douglas Daugherty, Ramboll Environ](#)

Session B2 – Engineering with Nature – Moderator, Todd Bridges

[Engineering With Nature in Rivers – Todd Bridges, USACE](#)

[Coping with changing river morphology and its effect on navigation and the environment by Hans Pierterzen, Rijkswaaterstat](#)

[Managing Environmental Risks of Navigation Infrastructure Projects: A PIANC Standard of Practice – Burton Suedel, USACE](#)

[Hydraulic Regulation of Canal del Dique, A Proposal of Integral Environmental Restoration – John Michael Polo Rodriguez](#)

Session B3 – Engineering with Nature – Moderator, Todd Bridges

[Building a smart river solution for climate adaptation: the room for the river program & Noordwaard case – Mindert de Vries, Deltares](#)

[Applying Working with Nature to Navigation Infrastructure Projects – Victor Magar, Ramboll Environ](#)

[Environmental Pool Management in the Upper Mississippi River: Managing Water Levels to the Benefit of both Navigation and the Environment – Edward Brauer, USACE](#)

[Capturing the Socio-Economic Payoff from Managing Rivers for Environmental Objectives – Kyle McKay, USACE](#)

Session B4 – Regional Sediment Management Session, Moderator, Linda Lillycrop

[Regional Sediment Management on Riverine and Reservoir Systems – Katherine Brutsche, USACE](#)

[Integrated Channel Maintenance Planning in the Lower Columbia River – John Hayes, USACE](#)

[Strategic Shoreline Placement from Coast to Coast, comparing the Kings Bay Entrance Channel, Florida and Georgia with the Columbia River, Oregon and Washington – Jase Ousley, USACE](#)

Session B5 – Waterway Sustainability – Moderator, Emily Vuxton

[Sustainable Management of the Upper Sea Scheldt, Self-dredging : Tidal River Training and Nature Conservation Put in Practice – Roeland Adams IMDC](#)

[City-wide green stormwater infrastructure sizing, siting, and cost effectiveness analysis – Michael Blackhurst, University of Pittsburgh](#)

[French Upper Rhone River Chautagne's double navigation ship lock an essential ecological integration by Franck Pressiat, Compagnie Nationale du Rhône](#)

[Sustainability and Resilience: A Methodology to Reduce Service Vulnerability on Inland Waterways – Thomas Wakeman, Stevens Institute of Technology](#)

Session B6 – Environment, Moderator, Leah Dundon

[Marine and Inland Waterborne Transportation System Resiliency: Status and Needs – Julie Rosati, USACE](#)

[Natural Infrastructure: Take me to the River by Matthew McCarty, McLaren](#)

[Connecting the Public to Big Data with Storytelling – Courtney Greenley, USACE](#)

[Waterborne Transport, Ports and Waterways: A Review of Climate Change Drivers, Impacts, Responses and Mitigation – Ron Cox, University of N](#)

Session B7 – Environment, Moderator, Ali Mitchell

[Smarter River Management With Natural Decadal Climate Variability \(Not Climate Change\) – Harvey Hill, USACE](#)



[Asian Carp Establishment in the Great Lakes: Challenges with Evaluating the Full Impacts – Dena Abou-El-Seoud, USACE](#)

[River Restoration Combined with Climate Adaptation in Denmark – Jes Kromann Bak, Ramboll Environ](#)

[Inundation Impacts of Local Sea Level Rise on the Lower Columbia River Estuary – Gaurav Savant, Dynamic Solutions LLC](#)

Session B8 – Technology Improvements, Moderator, Fred Joers

[Systems Analysis of the Behavior and Economic Impacts from the McClennan-Kerr Arkansas River Navigation System – Heather Nachtmann, Univ](#)

[Robust Snapshot Positioning in Multi-Antenna Systems for Inland Water Applications – Christoph Lass, German Aerospace Center](#)

[Electronic Nautical Chart \(ENC\) Adaption in Pilot's Display in Order to Optimize River Navigation Safety and Efficiency – Kelly Hulse, Trelleborg Ma](#)

[Low Head hydro power: A UK perspective – Ian White, Ian White Associates](#)

Session C1 – Inland Waterway Transport, Moderator, Juergen Troegl

[The Rhone Traffic Management Center, 6 Years of Feedback – Jean-Louis Mathurin, CNR Engineering](#)

[Sulina Channel – Danube European Waterway Link to Black Sea – Victor Dumitrescu, Technical University of Bucharest](#)

[Assistance Systems for Close Range Navigation on Inland Waterways – Martin Sandler, In-innovative navigation GmbH](#)

[Linking Modal Shift to Inland Ports – Bruce Lambert, Institute for Trade and Transportation Studies](#)

Session C2 – Latin American Waterways, Moderator, Ron Coles

[Extreme Increase in Water Levels. Effects on the Paraguay – Paraná Inland Waterway – Raul Escalante, Hydrovia](#)

[Colombia Fluvial Master Plan – Jorge Enrique Saenz Samper, JESyCA SAS](#)

[The Human Factor Relevance in the Decision-making Process for Maneuvering a Vessel when Navigating in Inland Waters – LT Adriana Gom](#)

[Taming the Magdalena River: How a State-of-the-Art Model Can Take Common River Engineering Practices to the Next Level – Roeland Adar](#)

Session C3 – Latin American Waterways, Moderator, Pablo Arecco

[Incidence of the New Bridge Construction Over the Magdalena River in Barranquilla, Colombia, on the Hydraulic Conditions, – Jorge Enrique Saenz Samper, JESyCA SAS](#)

[Adaptive Port Planning for an new multipurpose terminal on the Parana River, Campana, Argentina – Pablo Arecco, Besna](#)

Session C4 – InCom Working Groups, Moderator, Phillippe Rigo

[PIANC Inland Navigation Commission: Presentation of New Working Groups – Philippe Rigo, University of Liege](#)

[PIANC WG 173 Rolling Gate and Movable Bridge Report – Timothy Paulus, USACE](#)

[All about Mitre Gates – PIANC Report No. 154 Overview – Eric Johnson, USACE](#)

[PIANC work group 192 'Developments in the Automation and Remote Operation of Locks and Bridges' – Lieven Dejonckheerem, Zeeka](#)



Session C5 – Inland Waterway Transport, Moderator, Rich Lockwood
Potentials and Barriers of Inland Waterway Transport in the Baltic Region – Lisa-Maria Putz, University of Applied Sciences Upper Austria – Logistikum, Austria
Ohio River Basin Energy Commodity Trends – Marin Kress, USACE
CoVadem, What you measure, you won't improve – Meeuwis van Wirdum, CoVadem at MARIN
LNG, a New Fuel for Inland Waterway Transport – Unmet Expectations, Lessons Learned – Benjamin Boyer, Central Commission for Navigation of the Rhine
Session C6 – Waterway Transportation, Moderator, Jessica McIntyre
Water Depth Prediction for Optimizing the IWT sector- Rolien van der Mark, Deltares
RamS Analyses for the Next Generation of Waterways – Xavier Pascual, SENER Engineering and Systems
Utilization of Marine Highway 95 for Integrated Marine Transportation on the U.S. Atlantic Coast – Brad Pickel, Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway Association
Red River Delta Waterway Modernization (Vietnam) – Frank Pressiat, Compagnie Nationale du Rhone
Session C7 – IWRM, Moderator, Rex Woodward
Computations of Economic Impacts of Coastal Navigation – Forrest Vanderbilt, USACE
Watertruck + – Johan Boonen, Antwerp Management School
Economical Model of inland waterways in European multimodal corridors – Nicolas Bour, Voies Navigables de France
Hydraulic, Morphological and Ecological Effects of Longitudinal Training Dams – Ralph Schielen, Rijkswaterstaat
Session C8 – Lock Maintenance, Moderator, Helene Masliah-Gilkarov
Effects of Quoin Block Deterioration on Quoin Post and Thrust Diaphragm on Horizontally Framed Miter Gates – Guillermo Riveros, USACE
Analyzing Lock Maintenance Needs – Steven Riley, USACE
Extended System Wide Lock Maintenance that Users Can Support – Sheryl Carrubba, USACE
Optihubs – Optimization of container terminals through simulation – Daniel Elias, nast consulting
Session D1 – Structural Health Monitoring – Moderator, Matt Smith
USACE SMART Gate: Toward an Automated Damage Detection System for Navigation Locks – Brian Eick, USACE
Nondestructive Evaluation of Aging Lock Monoliths – Robert F. Lindyberg, FDH Velocitel
Utilization of SHM Methodologies to Detect Trunnion Friction in Tainter Gates – Quincy Alexander, USACE
Medium Range Underwater Wireless Communication for USACE Infrastructure – Anton Netchaev, USACE
Session D2 – IWRM – Moderator, Helen Brohl
Sedimentation control behind a multipurpose tidal hydropower dam on the Rance river estuary – Geoffroy Caude, High Council on Sustainable Development and Environment



Task Group 181 – The State of the World’s Waterborne Transport Infrastructure – Nick Pansic, Stantec

The Florida Inland Navigation District: Sustainable Statewide Waterway Management – William Aley, Taylor Engineering

Strategies for waterway management in highly protected areas – Hans-Peter Hasenbichler, viadonau

Session D3 – Structural Health Monitoring – Moderator, Quincy Alexander

Structural Health Monitoring for Water Resources Infrastructure – Matthew Smith, USACE

The Internet of Big Things; Acquiring Data from Vital Infrastructural Assets in a Safe and Uniform Way – Therry van der Burgt, Rijkswaterstaat

How do Riverports Align Actions with Goals? A Smart Approach to River Port Asset Management – Elizabeth Burkhart, Collins Engineers

Smart Waterway Infrastructure – Structural Health Monitoring – Therry van der Burgt, Rijkswaterstaat

Session D4 – Infrastructure and Vessel Interaction – Moderator, Liz Burkhart

Intelligent Hands-Free Mooring On the Saint Lawrence Seaway – David Brittain, Bergmann Associates

Improving Performance of Inland Ships with Hull Optimizations, Benefits and Pitfalls – Wytze de Boer, MARIN – Maritime Research Institute

Olmsted Dam Construction Project Innovative Design: Heavy Lift Catamaran Barge – Kyle Beattie, Glostén

Real Time Mooring Line Tension Monitoring at High Current Sites – Rune Iversen, Simpson Gumpertz & Heger

Session D5 – Infrastructure Lock Design Innovations – Moderator, John Clarkson

Use of a Navigation Lock as a barrier against the spread of invasive species – Allen Hammack, USACE

Evaluation of Different Construction Types for Lock Chambers – Claus Kunz, Bundesanstalt fuer Wasserbau (BAW)

Renovation of weirs in the Lower Rhine and Lek computational models as support for weir operations in off-design conditions – Arne van der Hout, Deltares

Numerical Investigation of Salinity Effects in Locks – Carsten Thorenz, Federal Waterways Engineering and Research Institute (BAW)

Session D6 – Infrastructure Design Innovations, Moderator, Denise Soisson

FRP Composite Structures in the U.S. Inland Waterways – Piyush Soti, West Virginia University

Glass Fiber-Reinforced Polymer Composite Wicket Gates for Chanoine Type Wicket Dams – Jonathan Trovillion, USACE

USACE Standardization of Navigation Infrastructure – Andy Harkness, USACE

Current research with navigation lock culvert valves – Allen Hammack, USACE

Session D7 – Infrastructure Design Innovations – Moderator, Andy Harkness

New Lock of IJmuiden – Physical Scale Model of the World’s Largest Lock – Arne van der Hout, Deltares

Infrastructure, Innovation and Standardization: A look at How One Lock Closure at Montgomery L&D Led to an Innovation in Standardization of Critical Lock Closure Components – Josh Nickel, USACE

Key Technologies for Reconstruction of Navigation Obstruction Structures –Design Overview of Reconstruction Project of Fuchunjiang Ship Lock – Guoqiang Jin, Zhejiang Provincial Institute of Communications Planning, Design & Research

WG166 “Inflatable Structures in Hydraulic Engineering” – A Successful Application of Inflatable Gates at Waterways – Michael Gebhard, Federal Waterways Engineering and Research Institute



Session D8 – Infrastructure, Moderator, Jim Athanasiou
Simple Lock Operations Improvements – Stuart Foltz, USACE
Expert-System for Automatically Managing High Water Levels with Smart Infrastructure – Jean-Mallory Rousseau, Voies Navigables de France
Miter Gate Embedded Anchorage Soo Locks – Paul Surace, USACE
Reduced Dredging in a Lock Entrance – David Abraham, USACE

Program

Monday September 18th

12 noon – 8 PM Registration Opens (Lobby)

8 AM- 12 PM Short Courses (Second Floor)

5-8 PM Exhibit Hall Open (Admiral Room)

1:30 PM – 4:00 PM Carnegie Mellon Technology Tour (buses load at 1:00)

6- 8 PM Welcome Reception and Poster Session in Exhibit Hall, Sponsored by Port of Pittsburgh (Reflections, Admiral and Waterf Rooms)

Tuesday September 19th

7:30- 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast (Exhibit Hall)

7:30-5 PM Exhibit Hall Open

8:30-10 AM Opening Plenary (Grand Station I-II)

Speakers:





Rear Admiral Paul F. Thomas, Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District, U.S. Coast Guard

Rear Admiral Paul Thomas serves as the Commander, Eighth Coast Guard District headquartered in New Orleans, and is responsible for Coast Guard operations spanning 26 states, including the Gulf of Mexico coastline from Florida to Mexico, the adjacent offshore waters and outer continental shelf, and the inland waterways of the Mississippi, Ohio, Missouri, Illinois and Tennessee River system.

His previous Flag assignment was as the Assistant Commandant for Prevention Policy where he was responsible for oversight and program management for all Coast Guard navigation services, boating safety, ports and facilities, waterways management, merchant mariner credentialing, vessel documentation, marine casualty investigation, commercial vessel inspections, and port state control.

A specialist in Marine Safety, Security and Environmental Protection he has served at the Marine Safety Center in Washington DC, Marine Safety Office San Francisco Bay, CA., Marine Safety Detachment Port Canaveral, FL, and Marine Safety Office Jacksonville FL. He has also served as Commanding Officer of Marine Safety Unit Galveston, TX, Commander Coast Guard Sector Jacksonville FL, and as the Director of Inspections and Compliance at Coast Guard Headquarters.

His other tours include Fifth Coast Guard District Chief of Staff, Executive Assistant to the Assistant Commandant for Marine Safety Security and Stewardship, Military Assistant to the Director of Net Assessment in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, Commanding Office in USCGC CAPE ROMAIN and Operations Officer in USCGC BLACKHAWK.

Rear Admiral Thomas is a graduate of the US Coast Guard Academy and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In 2005 he completed a National Security Fellowship at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government, and in 2010 he served as a Senior Fellow to the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group (SSG XXIX). He is also an alumnus of Harvard's National Preparedness Leadership Initiative. His military awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Coast Guard Commendation Medal, Transportation 9/11 Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal and the Coast Guard Achievement Medal.

He and his wife, Dr. Mary Thomas, DVM, have one son, Erik.

Other Morning Plenary Presentations:

[PIANC Congress 2018 – Rogelio Gordon, Panama Canal Authority](#)

10-10:30 AM Morning Break (Admiral Room)

10:30 AM-12 PM Technical Breakout Sessions (Lobby Level and Second Floor)

12-1:30 PM Lunch on your own



1:30-3 PM Technical Breakout Sessions (Lobby Level and Second Floor)

3-3:30 PM Afternoon Break (Admiral Room)

3:30 PM-5 PM Technical Breakout Sessions (Lobby Level and Second Floor)

5-7 PM Young Professional Networking Reception, Sponsored by Viadonau (Texas de Brazil, 240 W. Station Square Drive, Suite D Pittsburgh, PA 15219)

7-10 PM Pittsburgh Pirates Baseball Game (at own expense)

Wednesday September 20th

7:30- 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast (Exhibit Hall)

7:30-5 PM Exhibit Hall Open

8:30-10 AM Technical Breakout Sessions (Lobby Level and Second Floor)

10-10:30 AM Morning Break (Admiral Room), Sponsored by MarTrec, Maritime Transportation Research & Education Center

10:30 AM-12 PM Technical Breakout Sessions (Lobby Level and Second Floor)

12-1:30 PM Seated Luncheon with Keynote Speaker – Mr. Jorge Duran, Chief of the Secretariat, Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), Organization of American States, "[Latin America and the Caribbean: Competitiveness, Logistics, Port Infrastructure and Waterways](#)" (Grand Station I-II)



Jorge Durán

For close to 30 years, Jorge Duran has worked with the governments and private sector of the Americas in the design and implementation of development projects in Latin America and the Caribbean. Since 2003 Mr. Duran has served at the Organization American States (OAS) as Senior Advisor in Technology for Development, Senior Manager for Municipal Development and Capacity Building, in 2012 as Chief of the Office of Science, Technology and Innovation and, since 2013, as Chief of the Secretariat of the Inter American Committee on Ports (CIP) of the Executive Secretariat for Integral Development (SEDI).

Previously, Mr. Duran was Director of Regional Cooperation (1995-2000) and then Vice-President of International Affairs (2000-2003) at the Latin American Institute of Educational Communication (ILCE) in Mexico City. Other positions include Advisor in Science and Technology Policy for the Presidency of Mexico (1990-1992) and Special Assistant to the Mexican Ambassador at the U.N. (1994).

Mr. Duran has also been an Associate Professor at the Tecnológico de Monterrey (1997-2000) and the Universidad Iberoamericana (1995-1997) where he designed and taught courses in Latin America's Political Economy and History. Mr. Duran has Masters' Degrees, in International Affairs and Science and Technology Policy, from The George Washington University and a double major in



Psychology and Latin American Studies from The American University in Washington DC where he currently resides with his two daughters.

1:30-3 PM Technical Breakout Sessions (Lobby Level and Second Floor)

3-3:30 PM Afternoon Break, Sponsored by Stantec (Admiral Room)

3:30-5 PM Technical Breakout Sessions (Lobby Level and Second Floor)

5:30-10 PM Dinner Cruise on the Gateway Clipper to Allegheny Lock 2 and Platypus Demonstration (Meet at Dock next to Hotel)



Thursday September 21th

7:30- 8:30 AM Continental Breakfast (Exhibit Hall)

7:30 AM-12 PM Exhibit Hall Open

8:30-10 AM Technical Breakout Sessions (Lobby Level and Second Floor)

10-10:30 AM Morning Break (Admiral Room)

10:30-12 PM Closing Plenary with Keynote Speaker

Speakers:

“Inland river transportation in China: Current and Future Trends“



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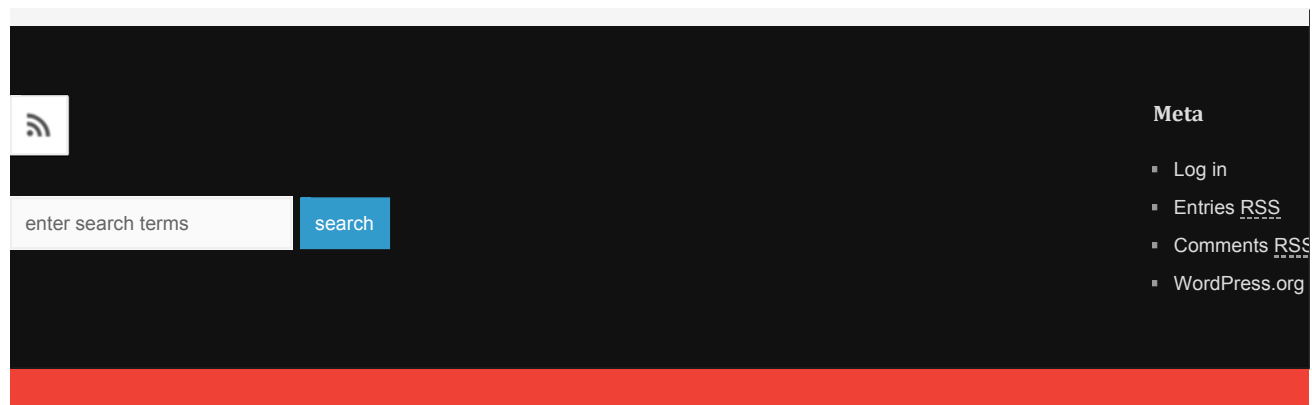
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Other Closing Plenary Presentations:

[Sailing to « SMART RIVERS 2019 », Lyon \(France\) september 30 to october 03, 2019- Jean-Louis Mathurin, CNR Engineering](#)

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