



PIANC
The World Association for Waterborne
Transport Infrastructure

Sailing Ahead

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We hope you like the new layout of our monthly newsletter, created in the new PIANC membership and marketing software!

October and November have been very busy months for PIANC, starting with a successful PIANC-COPEDEC X Conference in Manila, the Philippines, which had to be postponed a couple of times due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Congratulations to the Local Organising Committee for putting together a very nice programme! More details on this successful conference will be shared in the next issue of 'Sailing Ahead'.

Also in October, the French Section welcomed us in the city of Sète at the occasion of a new edition of the PIANC Mediterranean Days, which was preceded at the same venue by the Ports of the Future Conference. The ExCom and Council members also had their fall meetings in Sète in the days leading up to the Med Days. A warm thanks goes out to the French Section for the organisation of this nice conference!



Please take note that registration for the [35th PIANC World Congress](#) will be open soon! We will notify you in due time!

Don't forget to submit your project for the PIANC Working with Nature Award, which will be granted during the 35th PIANC World Congress!!

Take the opportunity to showcase your good practice by submitting your project on the [website](#) and apply for a WwN Certificate of Recognition. Projects that receive this Certificate are automatic candidates for the next WwN Award. But hurry! The deadline for entries is **31 January 2024**.



Enjoy reading 'Sailing Ahead'!

PIANC MEDITERRANEAN DAYS 2023

The PIANC Mediterranean Days 2023 were held in partnership with 'Ports of the Future' by Cerema, from 25 to 27 October, in the recent magnificent 'conservatory' of music of Sète, France. It proved to be a great success with 350 attendees, of which 300 on-site and 50 online. Around 50 attendees came from various countries, mainly Spain, Italy, Portugal, as well as Morocco, the Netherlands and Algeria. Both sides of the Mediterranean Sea were represented, both from the attendees' side as in the presentations.

The 3-day conference was opened by the French Ministry of Transport and the President of Port de Sète Frontignan.

Thanks to the joint event, we had 87 presentations with complementary forms: 7 round tables, allowing the expression of general presentations and 9 technical sessions, allowing more detailed and technical presentations.

Among the presentations, the main ports topics were presented: economy and development, environmental and numerical transitions, technical projects, as well as adaptation to climate change. Please click [here](#) for the full programme.

Fabrice Daly
Secretary of PIANC France

NEWS FROM EXCOM & COUNCIL

ExCom 2023-3, as well as the 89th PIANC Council meeting took place on 24 and 25 October 2023, respectively. The PIANC board meetings were organised on the eve of the PIANC Mediterranean Days in the lovely city of Sète (France), organised by the French Section of PIANC. Many of the Council members also participated online.

Read more on these meetings [here](#).

NEWS FROM COCOM

The Co-operation Commission of PIANC held a meeting on 23 October 2023. The members convened virtually to discuss the agenda items and make critical decisions that will shape the commission's future. Click [here](#) for a snapshot of the meeting.

Mohammadreza Allahyar
Co-Chairman of CoCom

NEWS FROM PROCOM

PROCOM MEETING 2023-4 IN HAMBURG, GERMANY

The ProCom team held its last meeting of 2023 on 22-23 November in the city of Hamburg, Germany, as well as online. Unfortunately, this meeting also was the last one under the chairmanship of Mrs Anna-Lena Pahl, as she decided to step down and take a different path in her career. During the farewell dinner on the first day, the ProCom team thanked Mrs Pahl wholeheartedly for all the years of her commitment and dedication to PIANC. Mrs Pahl managed to really put ProCom on the map and we wish her all the best for the future!

For an outline of the meeting, please read more [here](#).

Leen Weltens
PIANC HQ - Secretary of ProCom

NEWS FROM YP-COM

ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW YP-CHAIR HYUN DONG KIM

We are excited to share the news that the Young Professionals of PIANC have welcomed a new Co-Chair, Hyun Dong Kim, following his appointment by the Council on 25 October 2023 during its meeting held in Sète, France.



Hyun brings a rich educational background, having completed his undergraduate studies in Civil and Environmental Engineering at UCLA in the USA. He furthered his education with a master's in civil engineering from the University of Delaware and a Doctorate from Osaka University in Japan, specialising in Civil and Coastal Engineering.

With many years of industry experience, he is currently engaged in coastal and ocean engineering research at the University of Florida in the United States.

A longstanding and devoted member of our community, Hyun has previously held the position of Secretary-General for PIANC Korea and has been an active and valuable member on the YP-Com board. In a historic development for our organisation, Hyun is set to become the first Asian Chair of YP-Com in 2025, marking a significant achievement for both him and PIANC.

Congratulations to Hyun! We eagerly anticipate the new perspectives and contributions he will bring to our community.

PAST PIANC YP-EVENTS

- APAC-YP Participation in PIANC-COPEDEC X
- Europe & Africa - YP Germany Contributes to the Session of Youth Network of the German Port Technology Association (HTG)

Read more about these events [here](#).

UPCOMING YP-EVENTS IN 2024

The YP-Board is currently planning the winter meetings, the next Delegates meetings, as well as supporting the LOC of the World Congress 2024 in Cape Town. There will be some YP-events alongside this major event, so please stay tuned for more Information distributed via email or posted on our [LinkedIn page](#)!

We wish you a wonderful holiday Season and all the best for 2024!

Anja Brüning
YP-Com Secretary - PIANC Germany,
On behalf of the YP-Board

NEWS FROM THE PIANC COMMUNITY

Many of our National Sections have some news to share on their past and upcoming activities. Please click on the country logo for some local news from our PIANC National Sections!

We especially welcome PIANC Brazil & PIANC Indonesia as brand-new National Sections!



PIANC Argentina



PIANC Australia & New Zealand



PIANC Belgium



PIANC Brazil



PIANC Germany



PIANC Indonesia



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PIANC UK



PIANC USA

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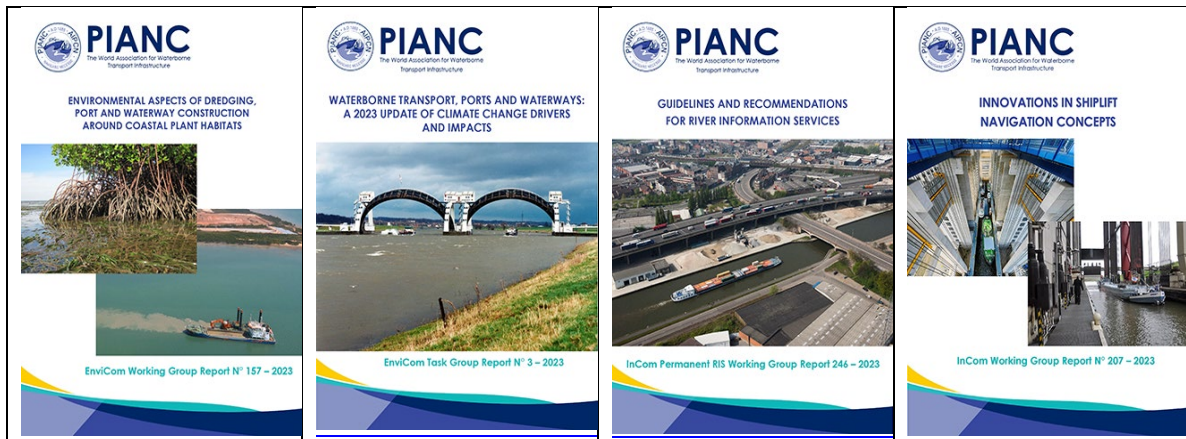
PIANC RecCom is looking for experts for its new

[Working Group \(254\) on 'Design Guidelines for Superyacht Facilities'](#)!

Interested in becoming a member of this WG? Submit your candidacy to your **National Section** or to info@pianc.org in case your country doesn't have a National Section!

JUST SHIPPED

The following publications were released in October/November 2023:



- PIANC WG 157 (EnviCom): 'Environmental Aspects of Dredging, Port and Waterway Construction around Coastal Plant Habitats'
- PIANC TG 3 (EnviCom): 'Waterborne Transport, Ports and Waterways: A 2023 Update of Climate Change Drivers and Impacts'
- PIANC WG 246 (InCom): 'Guidelines and Recommendations for River Information Services'
- PIANC WG 207 (InCom): 'Innovations in Shiplift Navigation Concepts'

[Click here to find our latest publications!](#)

COMING UP SOON:

- PIANC WG 216 (InCom): 'Best Practices in Planning and Management of Multimodal Logistics Platforms Along Inland Waterways'
- PIANC WG 211 (MarCom): 'PIANC Fender Guidelines 2023'

[Save money and click here to join PIANC and download ALL PIANC publications FOR FREE from the Members Only portal!](#)

NEWS FROM OUR PLATINUM PARTNERS

NEWS FROM TRELLEBORG

Trelleborg Marine and Infrastructure had an incredibly eventful month as we actively participated in a series of exciting events hosted by PIANC. These events provided ample opportunities for networking and sharing knowledge among industry peers. The month began with our attendance at the International Conference on Coastal and Port Engineering in Developing Countries (PIANC-COPEDEC) at the Philippine International Convention Center in Pasay City on 9-13 October 2023.

Read more [here](#).

Alex Yang
Marketing Executive
Trelleborg Marine and Infrastructure

NEWS FROM OUR SISTER ASSOCIATIONS

NEWS FROM IADC

Last chance to register for the course 'Dredging for Sustainable Infrastructure', held from 12-14 December in Abu Dhabi

Following on from the success of the previous courses Dredging for Sustainable Infrastructure, CEDA and IADC have the pleasure to announce that a next course will be organised, with the support of NMDC, from 12-14 December 2023 in Abu Dhabi (UAE). PIANC members can participate in the course at a special rate!

During the 2.5-day course, you learn how to achieve dredging projects that fulfil primary functional requirements while adding value to the natural and socio-economic systems by acquiring an understanding of these systems in the context of dredging as well as stakeholder engagement throughout a project's development.

Experienced lecturers will describe the latest thinking and approaches, explain methodologies and techniques as well as demonstrate - through numerous practical examples - how to implement this information in practice by engaging workshops and case studies. The following experts are part of the team for this course: Erik van Eekelen (Van Oord), Sina Saremi (DHI) and Thomas Vijverberg (Boskalis).

To find out more about the learning objectives, programme, lecturers, fees and registration, please click [here](#).

Ria Van Leeuwen
Senior PR & Communications Officer IADC

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