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UPDATES ON T&T'S NATIONAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN OF THE WTO'S TRADE FACILITATION AGREEMENT

ARISING OUT OF THE 12TH MEETING OF THE
NATIONAL TRADE FACILITATION COMMITTEE
(NTFC) IN JULY 2019

The status of several projects under T&T's National Implementation Plan of the Trade Facilitation Agreement (TFA)

- **Strengthening the SEW for Trade and Business Facilitation** - TTBiz Link will be integrated with regional and Latin American agencies, with the aim of improving risk management of the system. The Ministry of Trade & Industry, in partnership with the IDB, will be launching a pilot project soon to advance the Single Electronic Window with various countries. Thus far, the project proposal has been developed.
- **Expediting Shipments** – Customs and Excise Division to provide updates.
- **Promotion of the use of International Standards for Import, Export and Transit Formalities** - Ministries (Ministry of Trade and Industry, Ministry of Agriculture, Land and Fisheries and Agencies) to provide updates.
- **Publication of Information on the Use of Customs Brokers** – Customs and Excise Division to provide an update
- **Operationalisation of Electronic Payment** – The individual consultancy to assist in the implementation of an electronic Funds Framework (EFT) produced a GAP Analysis and EFT Policy. The Treasury Division of the Ministry of Finance is required to produce the Ministerial instructions for an EFT.
- **Review of Consultancy for Business Process Re-engineering under the SEW Project** – The consultancy has been completed, with all deliverables met, including a Business Process Re-engineering (BPR) Master Plan. The project implementation unit of the SEW Project is now required to follow up with ministries and agencies for implementation of the recommendations from the consultancy.
- **Development of a Trade Information Portal** – Draft Terms of Reference have been developed and circulated for comments by the National Trade Facilitation Committee. The terms have since been finalised, and firms have been shortlisted for the consultancy.



WORLD MARITIME DAY 2019

EMPOWERING WOMEN IN THE MARITIME COMMUNITY



ON SEPTEMBER 27TH, THE SHIPPING ASSOCIATION OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO WILL PARTNER WITH THE WOMEN IN MARITIME ASSOCIATION, CARIBBEAN - TRINIDAD CHAPTER, TO COMMEMORATE WORLD MARITIME DAY 2019 - THE THEME OF WHICH IS "EMPOWERING WOMEN IN THE MARITIME INDUSTRY". THE COMMEMORATION WILL TAKE THE FORM OF A 1-DAY SYMPOSIUM, WHERE WOMEN AND MEN WILL EXPLORE GOOD PRACTICE IN GENDER EQUALITY, AND THE MAINSTREAMING OF SAME. WOMEN WITHIN THE MARITIME COMMUNITY WHO ARE BREAKING BARRIERS AND HOLDING POSITIONS OF INFLUENCE WITHIN THE INDUSTRY WILL ALSO BE FEATURED IN A NEWSPAPER SUPPLEMENT.

THE DAY'S PROCEEDINGS WILL CULMINATE IN A COCKTAIL PARTY.

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING WORLD MARITIME DAY 2019 ON SEPTEMBER 27TH 2019! RECOGNIZE THE WOMEN IN MARITIME BY REGISTERING FOR THE EVENT!

RECOGNIZE THE WOMEN IN MARITIME WHO ARE BREAKING BARRIERS AND INFLUENCING CHANGE BY NOMINATING THEM TO BE FEATURED. LOOK OUT FOR MORE IN YOUR MAILBOX!

SATT SERVES ON MARITIME POLICY AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE

Over the course of the last two months, the SATT has been serving on a Government appointed committee to evaluate Expressions Of Interest (EOI) for a Consultancy to Develop a National Maritime Policy and Strategy for Trinidad and Tobago.

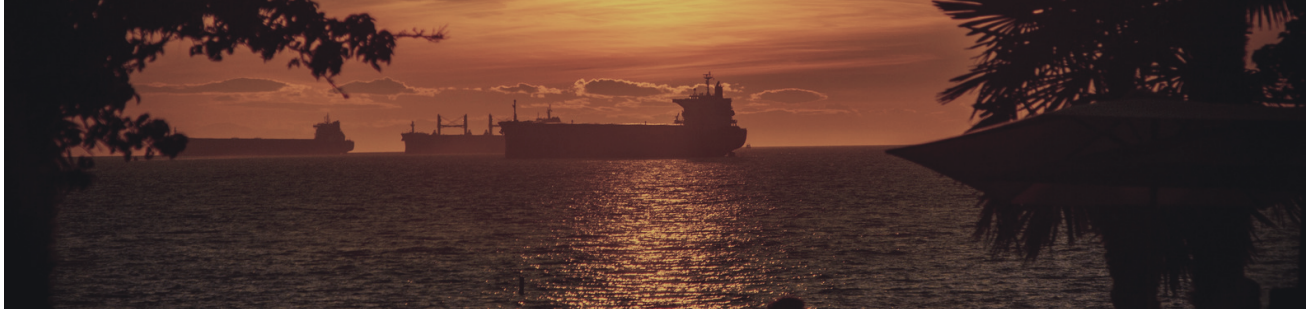
This consultancy aims to develop a National Maritime Policy and Strategy for Trinidad and Tobago to assist the country in maximizing the sustainable use of its marine resources in enabling the growth of the maritime economy.

All told, 10 firms responded to the call for EOIs, including several well known international ones.



With the first phase of the Committee's work now complete, the next phase will be the awarding of the comprehensive Terms of Reference for the Consultancy, which will be awarded to the firm which best met the EOI criteria.

The entire process is expected to be completed by September 2019.



ON THE HORIZON

MONTHLY GROUP MEETINGS

August 2019

Group A - August 23rd

Group B - August 8th

Group C - TBC

CONVENING OF SATT TRAINING COMMITTEE

August 9th 2019

SATT QUARTERLY MEETING WITH THE COMPTROLLER OF CUSTOMS

September 19th 2019

WORLD MARITIME DAY 2019 SYMPOSIUM, COCKTAIL PARTY AND NEWSPAPER SUPPLEMENT:

EMPOWERING WOMEN IN THE MARITIME COMMUNITY

September 27th 2019



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OCTOBER 07 - 09, 2019



49th ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING
CONFERENCE & EXHIBITION

Barceló
Bávaro Palace

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

WHERE:

Barceló Bávaro Palace
Carretera Bávaro, 1, Avenida Barceló,
Bávaro, Higüey 23000
Punta Cana

WHEN:

October 7, 2019—October 9, 2019
7:00 PM-4:30 PM

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