



GETF's International Institute of Sustainable Seaports (I2S2) publishes White Paper on environmental initiatives at seaports worldwide

Developed by GETF in partnership with the American Association of Port Authorities, the International Institute of Sustainable Seaports (I2S2) is specifically designed to support port authorities, their tenants and members of the maritime community implement sustainable practices - ensuring economic vitality, while protecting environmental quality and community integrity.

Through a grant with the Port of Portland, I2S2 researched ports around the world to document how they implement sustainability and best environmental practices and processes. Our research found evidence that international ports are demonstrating commitment to the environment and sustainable port operations through a variety of actions, mandates, and initiatives. A number of associations, collaborations, and partnerships are in place to provide the port community with information and tools to support their environmental management and sustainability efforts. Many of these tools were developed through the American Association of Port Authorities, the International Association of Ports and Harbors (IAPH), EcoPorts, and the European Seaports Organization (ESPO). As a result, a number of beneficial and sustainable approaches are being implemented at ports around the world (e.g. recycling of construction debris, community partnership building, implementing environmental management systems) with success. To view the full White Paper, click [here](#).

On May 5, 2010, I2S2 also prepared and presented an an inventory of innovative technologies to support the Ports sector at the International Ports Sustainability Seminar in Charleston, South Carolina. To view the inventory, click [here](#).