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Background

At the start of the program, a bilateral meeting on cross-border supply chain collaboration in Nordrheinwest-Falen, Germany was envisaged. The event was prepared in collaboration with the Dortmund Chamber of Commerce and Fraunhofer Institute. The event was scheduled and rescheduled, but unfortunately the Chamber could not gather sufficient participants. Feedback included that the topic was still quite abstract for the region.

Following the MoU with Georgia Tech on supply chain collaboration, more specifically interconnected logistics and the Physical Internet, it was decided to organise a joint conference on the topic: Port Logistics: What's Next? This would replace the initially envisaged Germany meeting. Please find a report below.

Conference

Physical Internet, hyperconnected Logistics, automation, robotics, autonomous vehicle enablers: what is the impact on the operation of ports and how does it transform the role of ports for regional development, industry participation, and worldwide supply chains? We co-organized the conference Port Logistics: What's Next? in the Port of Savannah, USA on April 10-11 2017.

The event is conducted through a partnership of Dinalog, the Holland Logistics Network, the Port of Rotterdam, Georgia Ports Authority, and co-organized by the University of Groningen, the Georgia Tech Physical Internet Center, and the Georgia Tech Supply Chain & Logistics Institute (SCL). Participants are leaders from academia and industry.

The workshop features interactive work sessions on a variety of topics related to supply chain management and logistics in Port operations and development, as well as poster sessions on innovative research and ample opportunities for networking. The workshop concludes with an optional tour of the Port of Savannah.

- Port Logistics in the Physical Internet Era
- New Port Roles as Industry Interconnectors and Regional Development Enablers
- Automation, Robotics & Autonomous Vehicles as Enablers of Hyperconnected Port Logistics
- Maritime Intensive Supply Chains and Ports: Role and Impact of Large Vessels

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Partners



Besides researchers of universities from US, Europe and Asia, the following businesses were represented: Daimler, Georgia Department of Economic Development, Atlanta Regional Commission, Metro Atlanta Chamber, The Home Depot, Cisco Systems, Caterpillar, Proctor and Gamble, Savannah Maritime Organisation, Panama Maritime Authority, Bradley, Predikto, Georgia Ports Authority.

Agenda

Speakers from the Netherlands are:

- keynote Victor Schoenmakers, port of Rotterdam
- lecture prof Rob Zuidwijk, Erasmus University Rotterdam
- lecture Bart van Riessen, Europe Container Terminals
- pitch Paul Buijs, Groningen University
- moderator Prof Iris Vis, Groningen University

Full details agenda:

DAY 1 - Monday, April 10, 2017		
Time	Topic	Speaker
7:30 - 8:30 am	Breakfast	Networking
8:30 - 8:40 am	Welcome by Sponsors and Introduction of Speakers	Tim Brown, Managing Director, Supply Chain & Logistics Institute - Georgia Tech
8:40 - 9:30 am	Welcome and Introduction to Georgia Ports Infrastructure Investments - followed by Q&A	Cliff Pyron, Chief Commercial Officer - Georgia Ports Authority
9:30 - 10:20 am	Keynote	Victor Schoenmakers, Director Corporate Strategy - Port of Rotterdam
10:20 - 10:40 am	Break	Networking
10:40 - 12:10 pm	Port Logistics in the Physical Internet Era	Sergio Barbarino, Research Fellow - Procter & Gamble Rob Zuidwijk, Endowed Professor of Ports in Global Networks - Erasmus University Rotterdam Russell Clark, PhD - Georgia Tech
12:10 - 1:10 pm	Lunch	Networking

1:10 - 3:40 pm	New Port Roles as Industry Interconnectors and Regional Development Enablers	Ana M. Reyes, Coordinator of the Logistic Cabinet - Ministry of the Presidency Panama Margaret Kidd, Assistant Professor Supply Chain - University of Houston
3:40 - 4:10 pm	Break	Networking
4:10 - 5:40 pm	Automation, Robotics & Autonomous Vehicles as Enablers of Hyperconnected Port Logistics	Spiridon Reveliotis - Georgia Tech Chew Ek Peng - National University of Singapore
6:30 pm -	Dinner	Networking

DAY 2 - Tuesday, April 11, 2017

Time	Topic	Speaker
7:30 - 8:30 am	Breakfast	Networking
8:45 - 9:00 am	Welcome	Networking
9:00 - 10:00 am	Keynote on Evolution of Global Trade and its Impact on Port Infrastructure	Chip White, Schneider National Chair in Transportation and Logistics - Georgia Tech
10:00 - 10:30 am	Break	
10:30 - 12:00 pm	Maritime Intensive Supply Chains and Ports: Role and Impact of Large Vessels	Lee Loo Hay, National University of Singapore Bart van Riessen, Europe Container Terminals (ECT)
12:00 - 12:30 pm	Wrap-up/closing	Martin Savelsbergh / Benoit Montreuil
12:30 - 1:30 pm	Lunch	Networking
1:30 - 2:00 pm	Bus departs to Savannah Port	
2:00 - 4:30 pm	Tour of Port of Savannah (optional)	
4:30 - 5:00 pm	Bus returns to hotel	

Report

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More than 50 professionals from industry, government and academia participated in the first ever **Port Logistics: What's Next?** workshop April 10-11 in Savannah. The program was sponsored by [DINALOG](#) (Dutch Institute for Advanced Logistics) and the [Georgia Tech Supply Chain & Logistics Institute](#) (SCL). DINALOG and SCL are engaged in ongoing research and educational programming activities associated with a Memorandum of Understanding signed in 2015 to support the advancement of global logistics practices and technologies.

Participants in the invitation-only event hailed from Singapore, Panama, Germany, Belgium, The Netherlands and the United States. The conference focused on the emerging role of ports in global trade. Such topics as port logistics in the physical Internet era, new port roles as industry interconnectors and regional development enablers, automation and robotics, and maritime-intensive supply chains were a part of the robust agenda. The program included a tour of the Port of Savannah provided by the Georgia Ports Authority.

The program committee was comprised of Professors [Benoit Montreuil](#) and [Martin Savelsbergh](#) of Georgia Tech, [Professor Iris Vis](#) of the University of Groningen (and representing DINALOG), and SCL's managing director, [Tim Brown](#).

“This is just one more way Georgia Tech fosters a global ecosystem of academic, industry, and government partners focused on next generation research and education,” Brown said. “Together, we can continue to build on the port’s successes and continue to bring the world to Savannah.”

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