

## Building a Sustainable Tomorrow:

#### Port Technology Innovation at Barbados Port Inc.

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- · Small, multipurpose port handling >90% of imports.
- Approx 1,100 vessel calls yearly.
- · Over 1.1 million tonnes annually.
- ISO 9001:2015 Certified Port.
- Built the Caribbean's first homegrown Maritime Single Window.
- Built our own Port Community System.

Introduction to

# Barbados Port Inc.





#### Challenges of a Small Port

- 1. Limited Space and Capacity
- 2. Vulnerability to External Shocks
- 3. Financial Constraints
- 4. Environmental and Compliance Pressures
- 5. High Energy Costs
- 6. Competition from Larger Ports
- 7. Human Resource Limitations



#### **BPI** Vision:

To be the most innovative green maritime hub in the world by 2030.

#### National Objective:

Barbados has a 2035 energy transition plan aiming for carbon neutrality.



#### **Business Objectives**

BPI identified 11 key objectives to pursue over the fiscal years 2021/22 to 2025/26 to meet the short-term strategic goals aligned with the vision, mission, and core values.

- Strengthen the port's competitive position in cargo operations through strategic partnerships, secure and efficient cargo handling.
- Improve cruise performance by increasing berthing capacity and strengthening marketing cooperation with industry stakeholders.
- 3. Enhance and diversify the port's revenue streams.

- Navigate the process of labour reform to achieve more modern, efficient, and financially viable port operations.
- Adopt an inclusive growth agenda that integrates future development plans with national economic growth ambitions, environmental, and social safeguards.
- 6. Reduce the carbon footprint.
- Transition towards a digital services ecosystem.

- Converge traditional (physical) security and cybersecurity into standard operating procedures.
- Pursue continuous improvement through the development of an accountability framework.
- Implement an effective performance measurement tool for the management team.
- 11. Enhance the organisational structure.



#### Innovation Awards & Recognition



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Barbados					
Last visit date:	Date of this report:	Project No.:	Environmental Category		
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#### A SUPERVISION DATE AND PARTICIPANTS

Dates: From 12-Sep-2022 to 16-Sep-2022

Participants (Bid Invest Seth Factor, Environmental and Social Lead Officer SEG): Susana del Granado, Environmental and Social Officer

#### B MAIN FINDINGS

- Digital innovation is becoming BPI's trademark. This initiative seeks to improve management and efficiencies
  at the Port. One example is the use of drone technology to increase security at the Port, other initiatives
  include maritime single window and port community systems that link different stakeholders' information flows.
- BPI has increased the personnel dedicated to Environmental and Occupational Health and Safety. Two people were hired in Q3 2022.
- In February 2022, BPI acquired a three-year ISO 9001:2015 certification. As part of it, BPI developed 102
  procedures. In addition, BPI has an Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS), including 16
  management procedures that still need to be fully integrated in Port's operations.
- BPI hired a team of consultants to develop an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the Bulk Handling Facility (RHF). A biologist, Renata Goodridge, was included in the team to assess corplined population and

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## Some of the **Technologies Leveraged**



- Artificial Intelligence
- Natural Language Processing
- Automatic Identification System Technology
- Identity and Access Management

- Big Data & Analytics
- Open Source Solutions
- Internet of Things (IoT)
- Blockchain

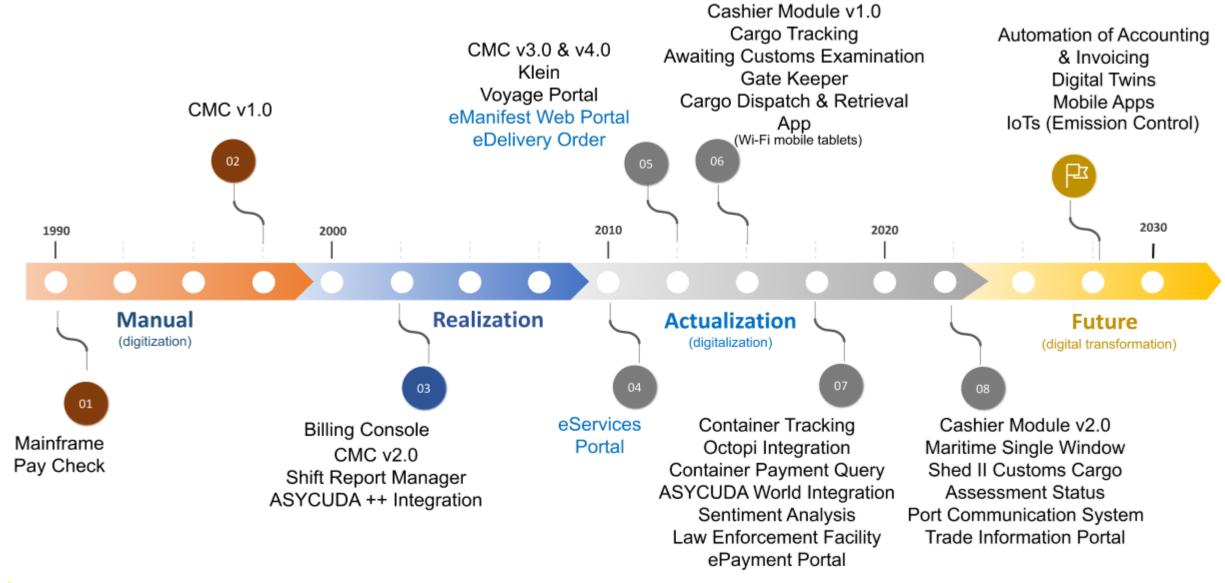
Connectivity between people and systems

# Information and Communication Technology

- Internet of Things
- Edge Computing
- Cloud Platforms
- Satellite Communication



#### **BPI's Digital Transformation Journey**







## **Port Community (External)**

Barbados Customs and Excise Department	Ministry of Tourism and International Trade	Ministry of Energy and Business Development	Ministry of Agriculture - Veterinary Services
Ministry of Agriculture - Plant Quarantine	Ministry of Health and Wellness	Ministry of Innovation, Science and Smart Technology	Ministry of Finance, Economic Affairs and Investment
Barbados Postal Service	Shipping Association of Barbados	Barbados Customs Brokers and Clerks Association	Transportation Intermediaries of Barbados
Barbados Chamber of Commerce and Industry	Barbados Private Sector Association	Police & Law Enforcement	Barbados Workers' Union



### Security by Design



## Maritime Single Window

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Password



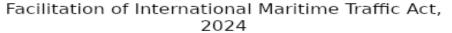
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#### **Blockchain Technology**

#### Barbados Maritime Single Window







#### FINAL CERTIFICATE OF CLEARANCE ON ARRIVAL

Ship Name:
Type of Ship:
Gross Tonnage:
IMO Number:
Call Sign:
Port of Registry:
Date of Registry:
Passenger Amount (where Applicable):
Date and time of virtual arrival in Barbados:
Expected date and time of actual arrival in Barbados:
Issued by:
Date of Issue:
Time of Issue:

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The Ship AL DREAMER is granted Final Clearance to enter the Port of Bridgetown.

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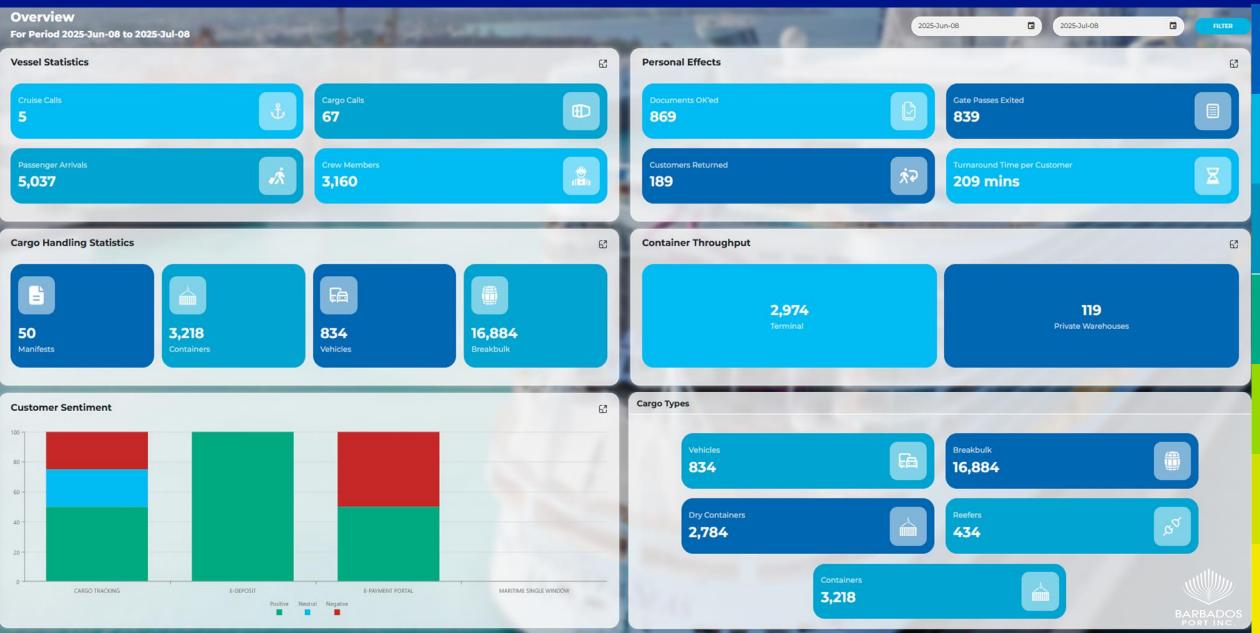
## **Physical Security**



#### **Artificial Intelligence**



### Big Data & Business Intelligence





**Technology** 

Blockchain, IoT, Big Data, Analytics, Cloud Computing

2.

Legislation

Data Protection Act Electronic Transaction Act OGA's Act

3.

Paradigm Shift

Change Management Inter-agency Collaboration Responsible Data Sharing

#### **Key Takeaways**



#### **Thank You!**

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