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Dear colleague,

In the cooperation framework between the Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP), the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and Port of Le Havre, I am pleased to extend an invitation requesting nominees for the ***Twenty-Sixth Advanced Course on Port Operations and Management*** to be held from September 10 to October 12, 2012 in Le Havre, France.

This is an excellent capacity building opportunity for CIP Member States officials. The IMO is offering fellowships covering course-fee, per-diem, accommodations and incidental expenses. Port Authorities/companies would need to cover travel arrangements to and from Le Havre.

Candidates should have good working knowledge of either English or French and complete the enclosed form supported by detailed information regarding:

- (i) Previous experience in ports;
- (ii) Personal and institutional objectives; and
- (iii) Particular port problems in which the candidate is interested.

For CIP members, ***deadline*** to present nominations, endorsed by the relevant government authority, should be ***submitted to the Secretary-General of IMO*** (I.M.O. - 4, Albert Embankment, London SE1 7 SR – England) ***no later than June 25th***.

At the time of submission, please also inform the representative of cooperation/cultural affairs at the French Embassy. In addition, copy Mr. Stéphane Dubois by fax to Grand Port Maritime du Havre: (+33)2.32.74.73.47 or (Stephane.Dubois@havre-port.fr) and Violeta Gutierrez, CIP Secretariat (cip@oas.org).

Should you have any questions we are glad to respond.

I take this opportunity to convey to you the assurances of my highest consideration and esteem.

Sincerely,

Carlos Mladinic
Secretary
Inter-American Committee on Ports (CIP)