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WORKING GROUPS SEEKING CANDIDATES- DEADLINE OCT 31

- InCom 237 'Bottlenecks and Best Practices of Transport of Containers on Inland Waterways'
- InCom 241 'Handling Accidents and Calamities in Navigation and Hydraulic Structures'
- InCom 216 Re-Launch of 'Best Practices in Planning Inland Waterways Multimodal Platforms'

VISIT [PIANC.US/NEWS-AND-EVENTS/WORKINGGROUPVACANCIES/](https://pianc.us/news-and-events/workinggroupvacancies/) FOR A LIST OF WORKING GROUP VACANCIES, AND TO APPLY.

PIANC AMERICAS CONFERENCE & BTV - APRIL 24-28 2023

Conference Theme: Sustaining Ports, Waterways and Marinas through a Changing Climate
Embassy Suites, Fort Lauderdale Florida

KEY DATES:

- February 1, 2022: Abstracts Open
- June 1, 2022: Abstract Submittal Due
- July 15, 2022: Notification of Abstract Acceptance
- May 15, 2022 – November 15: Early Bird Registration
- December 15, 2022: Paper or Extended Abstract Due
- February 15, 2023: Hotel Reservation Deadline
- April 24-28, 2023: PIANC Americas Conference

CONFERENCE SESSIONS:

- Inland Waterways
- Maritime Ports
- Recreational Marinas
- Environmental Sustainability
- Waterborne Transportation in the Americas
- Alternative Energy in Maritime Transport
- Climate Change
- Spanish and Portuguese Sessions

Learn more here: <https://pianc.us/event/pianc-americas-conference/>

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Young Professional (YP) PIANC International Virtual Event: 16 - 17 NOV 2021

Learn more and register here: https://live.eventtia.com/en/pianc_yp_2021/REGISTER/

- Ports '22 : 18-21 SEP 2022, Honolulu Hawaii

Learn more and register here: <https://www.portsconference.org/>

- PIANC Smart Rivers: 18-21 OCT 2022, Nanjing, China

Abstracts are due on 01 DEC 2021. Learn more at

http://www.smartrivers2022.com/http-www-smartrivers2022-com-wp-content-uploads-2021-01-smart-rivers-2022_abstract-call_2nd-round-pdf

INTRODUCING MS HAMNA ZAHEER - PIANC USA DEPUTY SECRETARY



Hamna Zaheer is a computer scientist who is very passionate about learning new things. Hamna holds a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science (2016) and a Master's degree in Software Engineering (2019) from George Mason University. From 2015-2019, Hamna served as an intern at IWR as a Computer Scientist Fellow. Hamna rejoined IWR last year and is currently providing her valuable technical expertise and experience supporting the work for the development and improvement of navigation databases and systems under NDC's responsibility. Hamna is very excited to join PIANC Team as the new Deputy Secretary and looks forward to work alongside PIANC leadership and provide support to continue PIANC's mission and activities.

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THANK YOU KAYLA WALTEMIRE



Kayla Waltemire served as PIANC USA Deputy Secretary from March 2020 through September 2021. During her tenure, Kayla made remarkable contributions by improving PIANC USA communications through the website, newsletters, and email notifications. She very ably assisted the PIANC USA Treasurer, Joe Mantey, with all aspects of registrations, bills payment, and meeting subvention requirements to PIANC. In addition, serving as the primary contact for communications between PIANC USA and PIANC headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. A particularly notable accomplishment was preparation and mailing of over 50 framed certificates to recognize PIANC USA members who contributed to PIANC Working Group reports published

over the past five years. Kayla has also been instrumental in planning efforts for the upcoming PIANC Americas conference scheduled for April 2023. In short, Kayla has performed her duties in a suburb manner and been a great pleasure with whom to work. She is leaving the Deputy Secretary position to accept a promotion within IWR. This promotion reflects both her past accomplishments and potential for the future. Good luck and many thanks to Kayla from the PIANC USA leadership, Board of Commissioners, and members for a job well done.

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