

# Port Security and Cyber Security



Port Authority of  
Trinidad and Tobago

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# About the Port Authority of Trinidad and Tobago

is a Statutory Authority, established by the Port Authority Act 51:01 in 1961.



The Port Authority, has direct responsibility for the Ports of Port of Spain and Scarborough, which are divided into **three Strategic Business Units (SBU)**:

- Trinidad and Tobago Inter – Island Transportation Company (TTIT)
- Port of Spain Infrastructure Company (POSINCO)
- Port of Port of Spain (PPOS)



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## Implications of September 2011 attacks.

Dramatic refocusing of attention on global transportation networks that the world's economies remain so dependent on.



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- Ports and security.
- At what level of impact does action need to be taken to mitigate against the obvious risks?



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Physical and  
linear  
infrastructure



Superstructure



Information and  
Communication  
Systems



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# Challenges to Security - Infrastructure



- Lack of Security Electronic Equipment System such as:
  - CCTV Surveillance
  - Access Control System
  - Intrusion Alarm System
  - Scanning x-ray and metal detectors
- Maintenance of adequate Lighting
- Fencing
- Physical barriers
- Back-up power supply

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# Challenges to Security - Operations



- Physical Disruption
- Cargo Theft (through commercial fraud and corrupt/dishonest port employees and port users)
- Movement of illicit drugs goods through the port as legitimate cargo
- Smuggling of contraband by port employees and port stakeholders
- Human Trafficking
- Terrorism
- Retention of Port Security Officers
- Security Staff Shortages
- Response to harbor incidents

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# Challenges to Security - Operations



- Sabotage (Disgruntled employees or customers seeking revenge)
- Cyber Attack
- Natural Disaster
- Fire
- Explosion
- Bomb Threat

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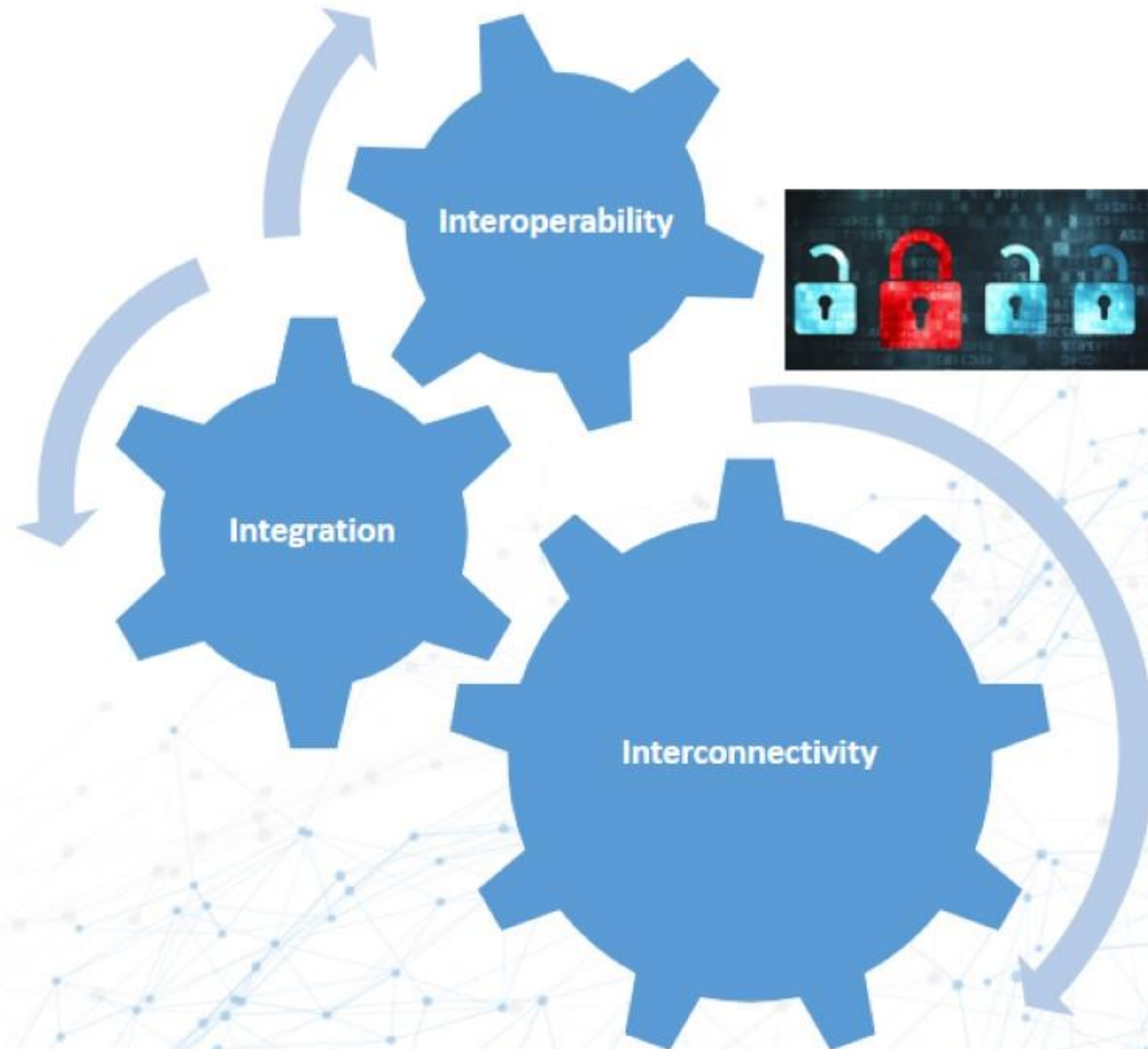
# Cyber Security

- Ubiquitous broadband
- IT-centric business and society
- Social stratification of IT skills



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# Digital Transformation



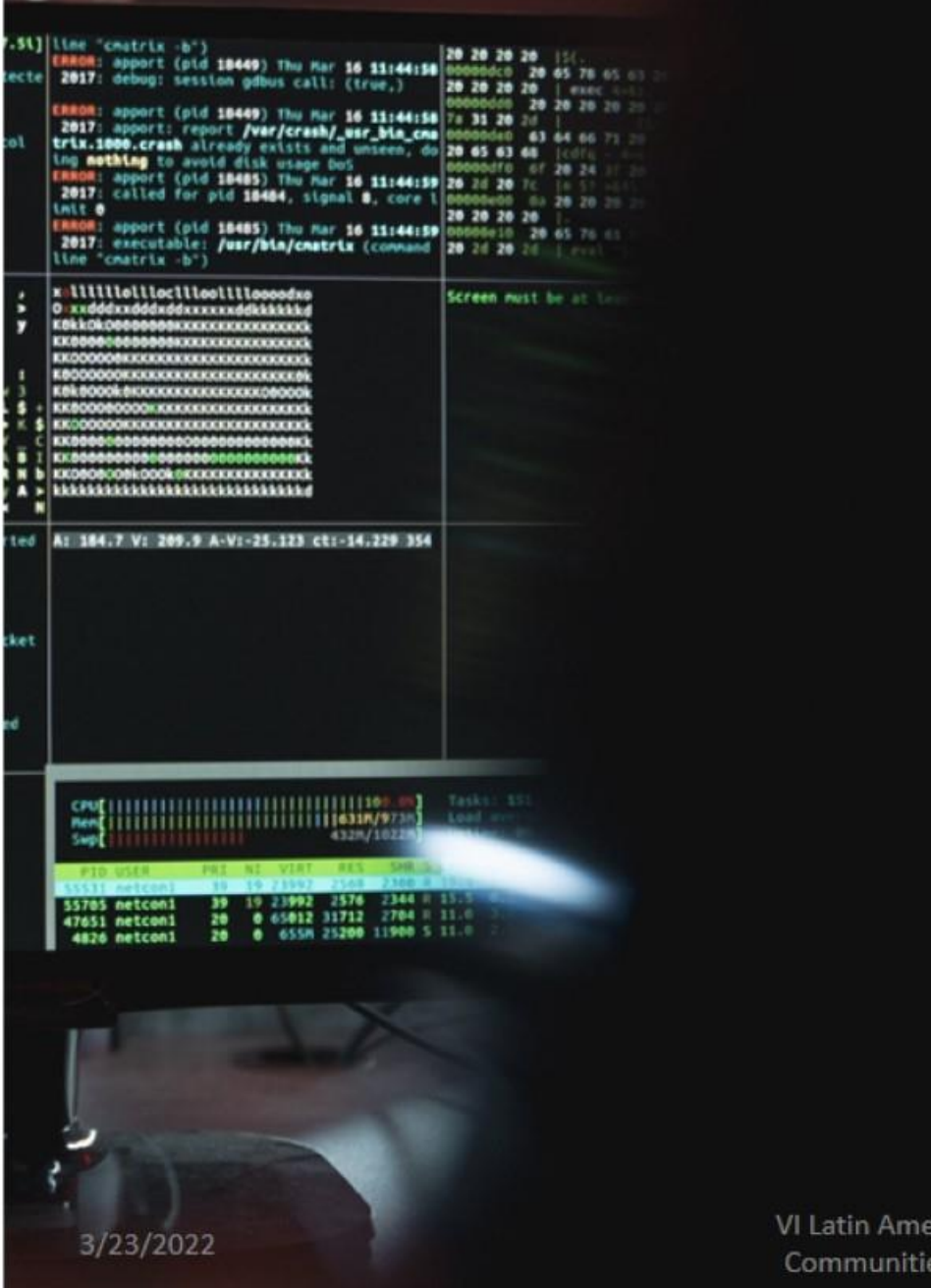
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# Cybersecurity - Vulnerabilities

- India’s Jawaharlal Nehru Port
- Shipbroking giant Clarksons,
- Chinese conglomerate Cosco and
- French container shipping line CMA CGM
- International Maritime Organization (IMO)
- Maersk

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# Impact of Cyber Security Breaches



- Stoppage of operations
- Theft of data and /or cargo
- Drug and human trafficking
- Damage to systems
- Financial loss

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# Cyber Security – Risk Management



- Last year, the IMO introduced its first comprehensive cyber-security recommendations [MSC-FAL.1/Circ.3](#) *Guidelines on maritime cyber risk management*.
- The container shipping sector, for example, the industry body, the Digital Container Shipping Association (DCSA) published its cyber-security implementation guide back in 2020. -[Resolution MSC.428\(98\)](#) on Maritime Cyber Risk Management in Safety Management Systems.

# Cyber Security – Risk Management



- Confidentiality – access control and privacy protection to sensitive data.
- Possession or control.
- Integrity of system – configuration of system must be robust enough to allow for the maintenance of system integrity – secure information flow, unauthorized access through insecure network or corrupted file.
- Authenticity – ensuring that inputs to and from the port systems are genuine. Implementation of means of verification.
- Resilience – easy transformation, renewal and recovery of information and systems to normal operating state in a timely manner.
- Cloud services, a key element

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# Cyber Security - Challenges



- Slow use of technology within the Port's eco-system.
- Lack of training.
- Budgetary and Human Resource allocation.
- Training in the complex port operation logistics chain.
- Secure supply chain secure integration
- Infrastructure redundancy / Failover systems

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# Cyber Security – Mitigation of Threats



| <b>ACTION</b>                    | <b>REQUIREMENT</b>                                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Training/awareness               | End-user / staff awareness /training in online safety.                                                                                  |
| Keep software up to date.        | All software on an update schedule to ensure the latest updates from vendors are tested then deployed to production environments.       |
| Endpoint protection.             | Endpoint protection is installed and centrally managed to ensure the latest protection signatures are applied.                          |
| Firewall                         | Firewall installed with robust incoming and outgoing rules                                                                              |
| Backup of data.                  | Daily and weekly backup with point in time restore to ensure data and information availability utilizing online and offline mechanisms. |
| Control access.                  | Access to network, systems and data controlled by secure passwords.                                                                     |
| Employee personal accounts.      | All users have individual accounts                                                                                                      |
| Access management.               | Access control limited to individual work requirements                                                                                  |
| Passwords complexity.            | Robust password complexity implemented through system policies                                                                          |
| VPN.                             | Remote users access resources through VPN encryption.                                                                                   |
| Securing of devices and network. | Only approved devices are allowed to connect to corporate network                                                                       |



# Re-evaluation



- Continuous re-evaluation of risk mitigation strategies and appropriate accompanying action are critical in managing Port and Cyber Security.

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