

ESCAP initiatives on Digital and Resilient port in the Asia-Pacific

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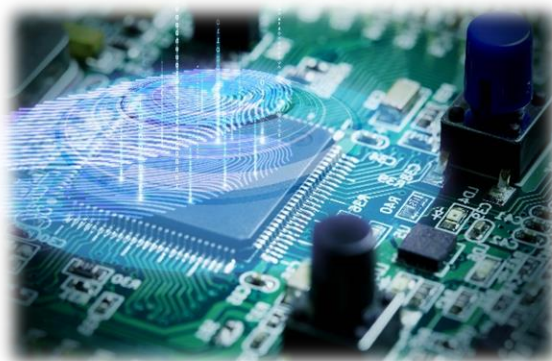
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Background



2023 Project : Support the Digitalization of Ports



2024 Project : Introduction of autonomous shipping technologies



2024 New projects: Bridging the digitalization and resilience gap in small ports

Background



1. Digital technology is the most important means of development in the Asia-Pacific region.

- Can be utilized as a means to quickly enhance port competitiveness at a low cost.



2. Port infrastructure is the facility most exposed to climate disaster risks.

- Efforts are needed to secure existing port infrastructure and to strengthen future port infrastructure.

2023 Smart Port Project



2023 Smart Port Project

Project Title	Support the digitalization of ports including smart port reforms
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Project Period	2023 March ~ 2023 December
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Project Background	The transition to smart ports with numerous challenges such as the digital gap, lack of professionals, and limited investment The necessity for a thorough understanding of the current status
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2023 Smart Port Project

Objectives	To understand the existing level and status of port digitalization by developing indicators to measure
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Target countries	Thailand (Bangkok port), Viet Nam (Danang port), and Cambodia (Sihanoukville Port)
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Activities	Conducted research to promote port digitalization and support the transition to smart ports.
	Develop indicators to measure the digitalization of ports
	Applied the indicators to target ports and reviewed the usefulness and applicability of them

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Major milestones

Kickoff meeting: virtual meeting (4 October 2023)

Capacity building workshop for the readiness assessment: virtual and off-line meeting (3 November 2023)

Field trip: Danang Port (Danang, 9-10 November 2023)

Final Capacity building workshop (Bangkok and online, 29-30 November 2023)



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The readiness assessment for smart ports:

- Through **three rounds of expert surveys (Delphi method)**
- **7 areas, 13 subjects and 49 indicators**

Area	Subjects	Indicators
Law	Law	Laws related to smart ports or port digitalization
	Regulation	Regulations related to smart ports or port digitalization
	Policy	Policies related to smart ports or port digitalization
Digital vision	Goals and action plans	Goals Action plans
	Strategy	Strategy
	Leadership	Leadership Governance
	Partnership	Finding Partner
		Open collaboration
Digital technology	ICT utilization	The ICT utilization within the organization
		The ICT utilization with external organizations
		The ICT utilization with customers
	Introduction of Digital technology	Introduction of digital technology
		Technology utilization
		Introduction of emerging technologies to port
	Digital skills	New technologies utilization of port operations
		The level of digital skills
		e-Document
	Informatization	Standard for e-Document
		Document digitalization
		Applying information system
	Data	Utilizing information system
		(structured/semi-structured/unstructured) Data processing
		(structured/semi-structured/unstructured) Data analysis
		Data sharing
	Networks	Data sharing
		Networks
		Information system required for smart ports
	Infrastructure	System architecture
		The ratio of modernization and automation
		The ratio of usage of modernization and automation
	Cyber security	The ratio of usage of energy saving means
		Status of energy saving
		Security for assets

Area	Subjects	Indicators
Process	Planning	Service planning
		Standard and governance
		Open source
	Development and operations	Resource management
		Performance measurement
Propulsion system	Dedicated team/group	Integrated service management
		Dedicated team/group
	Work automation	Work automation
Evaluation	evaluation	evaluation
Capacity strengths	R&D capacity	R&D capability
	Learning capacity	Maintain training course
	Human resource capacity	Continuously learning
	Human resource capacity	Capability of Human resource
	Recruiting	Interest of emerging technologies
		Recruiting

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Result of the readiness assessment

Area	Indicator	Port		
		Sihanoukville	Bangkok	Danang
Legal (10%)	Law, Regulation, Policy	D	B	C
Digital vision (15%)	Goals and action plans, Strategy Leadership, Partnership	D	B	C
Digital technology (40%)	ICT utilization, Introduction of digital technology Digital skills, Informatization, Data Infrastructure, Cyber security	D	B	C
Process (10%)	Planning, development and operations	C	C	C
Propulsion system (10%)	Dedicated team, Work automation	C	D	C
Capacity strengthens (10%)	R&D capacity, Learning capacity, Human resource capacity, Recruiting	D	C	C
Performance evaluation (5%)	Evaluation	C	D	D

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Analysis of the results

Port	Result of analysis
Sihanoukville	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ They are interested in smart ports, but related laws do not exist (being prepared) ▪ A nation does not have plans to pursue smart ports but needs to proceed in the future. ▪ The target port uses the EDI system for port operations, but this EDI system does not cover the entire port operations
Bangkok	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Improvement of port infrastructure is being promoted based on their national policy. ▪ Although port operations are progressing using ICT, the utilization of e-documents may be somewhat low. ▪ From an interoperability perspective, the ratio of standard usage may be somewhat low.
Danang	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Efforts are being made to improve the port based on the national master plan. ▪ An information system is being built and utilized for port operations but does not cover the entire port operations. ▪ From an interoperability perspective, the ratio of standard usage may be somewhat low. ▪ They have recognized the need for smart ports, but the overall environment may be somewhat weak to progress it

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Maturity level of target ports



Port	Legal	Digital vision	Digital technology	Process	Propulsion system	Performance evaluation	Capacity strengthens	Maturity level
Sihanoukville	Ready	Ready	Ready	Ready	Introduce	Ready	Ready	Not started
Bangkok	Introduce	Introduce	Introduce	Ready	Ready	Ready	Ready	In progress
Danang	Ready	Introduce	Introduce	Ready	Ready	Ready	Ready	Beginner

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Recommendations for Sihanoukville port



Establishing a policy foundation for progressing towards smart ports

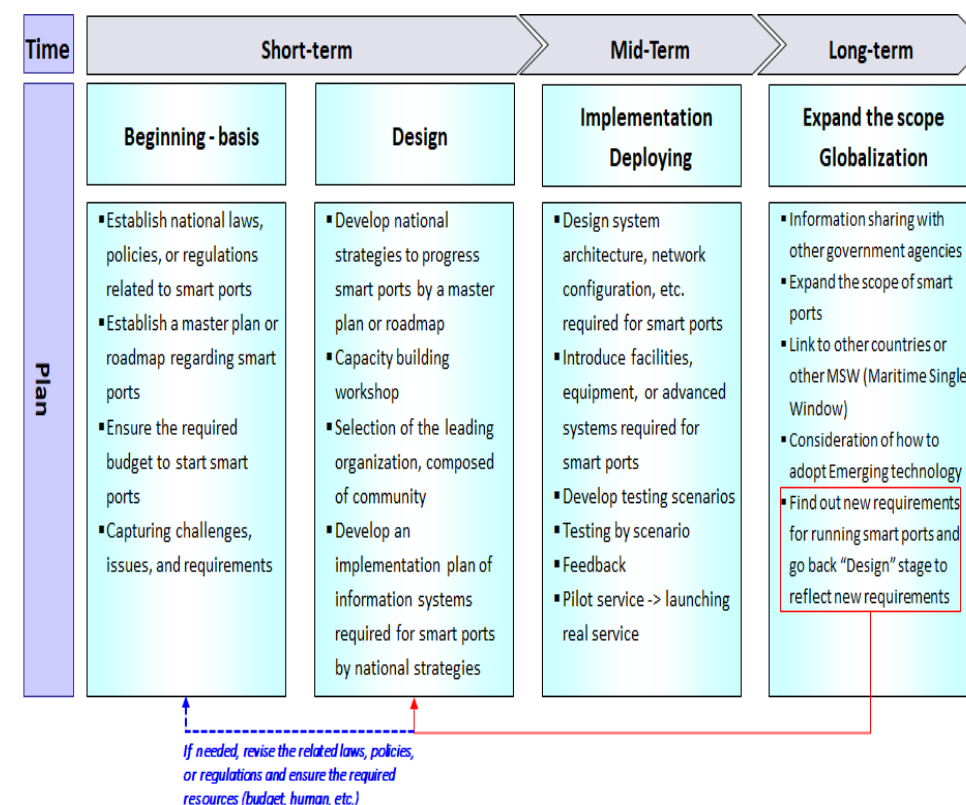
Review of existing laws, regulations, or policies for relevance and need for revision

If required, consider establishment of new laws, regulations, or policies for smart ports

Designate a leading organization

Establish and implement a progress plan for the smart port centered around the leading organization

Proposed implementation plan of smart ports



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Recommendations for Bangkok port



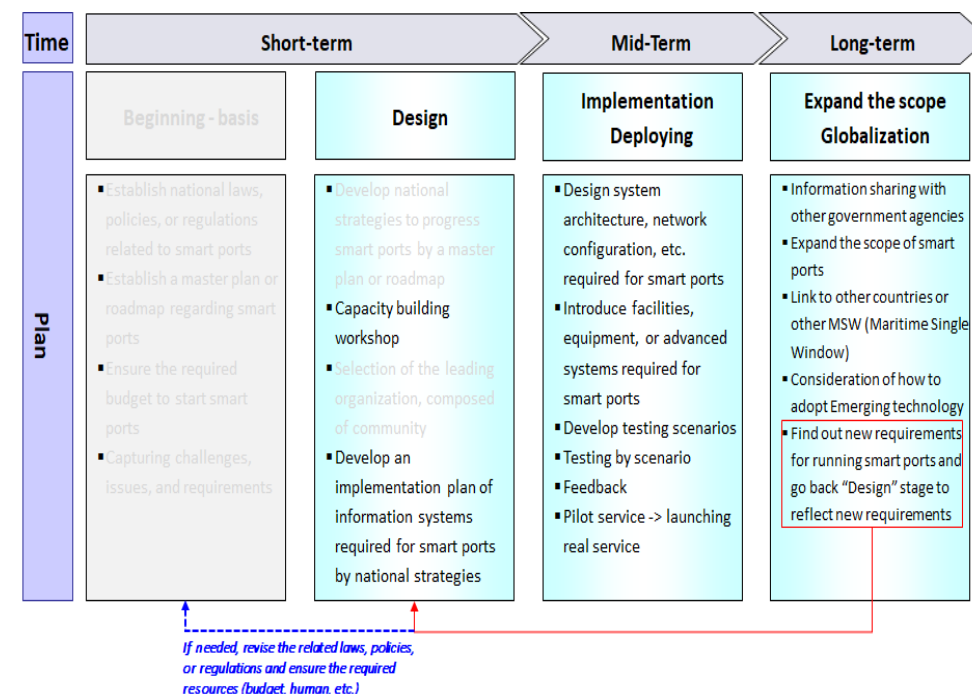
Establishing smart port vision and goals

Defining smart port strategy and action plans and the related tasks, establish implementation plan

Forming the dedicated team (or task-force team) and establishing an investment plan

Smart port infrastructure design development, introduction, and construction

Proposed implementation plan of smart ports



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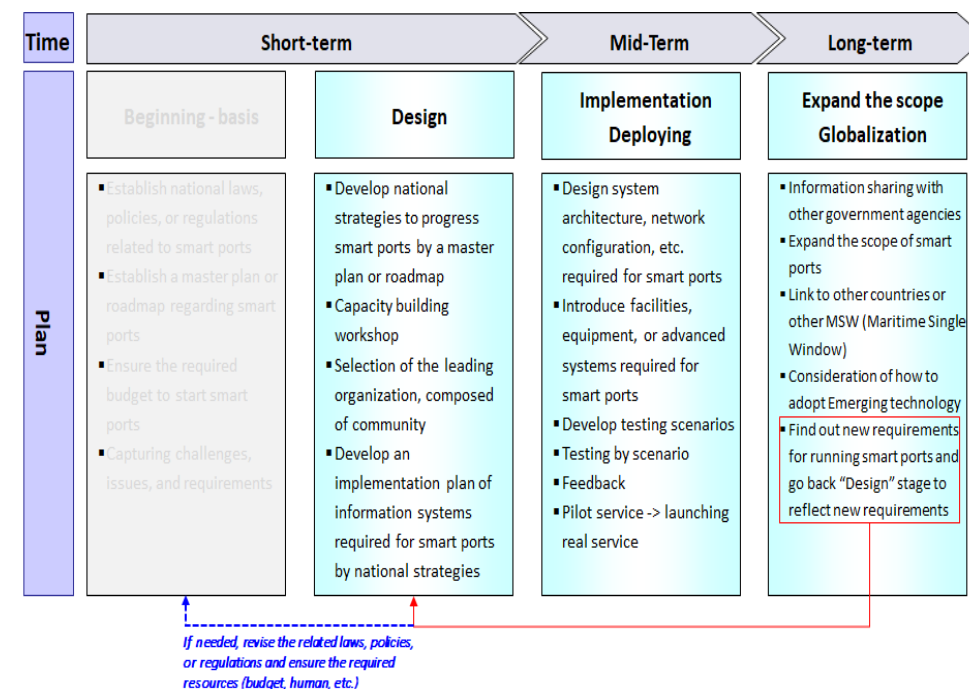
Recommendations for Danang port



Check the current level of the target port through readiness assessment for Smart Ports (using the Maturity Model)

Develop the To-BE Model of the target port based on the result of the readiness assessment

Proposed implementation plan of smart ports



Autonomous Shipping Project (2022-2024)



Autonomous Shipping Technology Project

Project Title	Improving the safety of navigation and the sustainability of shipping through the introduction of innovative autonomous shipping technologies in the Asia-Pacific region
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Project Period	2022 July ~ 2024 June
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Project Objectives	To support the introduction of innovative autonomous shipping technologies for the Asia-Pacific region
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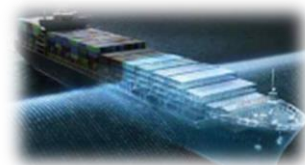
Autonomous Shipping Technology Project

Target region South-East Asian and South Asian countries including
Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand, Vietnam and India

Expected Outcome

Target countries develop national plans for the implementation of autonomous shipping technologies

Strengthen capacity of the target countries for the introduction of innovative autonomous shipping technologies



Autonomous Shipping Technology Project

Major Activities



Combined National workshop for all target counties

(1-2 June 2023, Bangkok, Thailand, in a hybrid format)

To clarify and discuss the collected information and prepare national plans on advanced solutions, developments and applied approaches in the field of innovative autonomous shipping technologies

National workshops for India, Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand (online, September-October 2023)

International conference

(28-29 February 2024, Bangkok and online)

More than 160 participants from 22 countries and 18 organizations,

Exchange on good practices and relevant global and regional initiatives

Review the findings of the studies and expert discussions

Expert group meeting

(17-18 June 2024, Pattaya, Thailand)

To assess opportunities for a regional approach

To identify possible pilot joint project among ESCAP member States

To develop the policy recommendations on regional cooperation



Autonomous Shipping Technology Project



Major outcomes 1: Recommendations for the Development of National Action Plans



1. Establishing of policy and regulatory frameworks

Formulating national action plans to introduce the MASS Code to related national regulations through appropriate national mechanisms



2. Training and upskilling development

Providing training and upskilling programs for seafarers to adapt to new technologies and roles in autonomous shipping.



3. Universities' research and development

Funding and supporting by relevant research and development (R&D) support programs,



4. Public engagement and awareness

Including concrete measures to engage the public and build both industry and civil society support for these technologies



5. Investment in infrastructure and “sandboxes”

Investing in the development of infrastructure supporting autonomous shipping including investment in sandboxes (testbeds and trial projects)



6. Monitoring and evaluation

Establishing monitoring and evaluation frameworks to track progress and impact

Autonomous Shipping Technology Project



Major outcomes 2: Recommendations for Regional Cooperation



1. Establishing forums or platforms for knowledge exchange

Establishing forums or platforms and organizing training workshops and technical conferences



2. Joint research and training projects

Collaborative research initiatives, universities cooperation, and training programs





3. Participation in the development of legal frameworks for MASS


Participation in the development of legal frameworks for MASS at the platform of the International Maritime Organization (IMO)


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Major outcomes 3: Recommendations for Potential joint projects and Key technical solutions for their implementation

 Exchange of experience and support for the implementation of regulatory frameworks

 Joint training programs on autonomous shipping for seafarers

 Support for the implementation of trial projects (sandboxes) and the development of technological solutions

 Key technical solutions to be in the focus of joint projects

Autonomous navigation systems, Advanced sensors and sensor-fusion techniques, Connectivity solutions, Solutions for new segments of autonomous shipping , New simulators for training of personnel operating MASS

Autonomous Shipping Technology Project

Major outcomes 4: National Reports for five member States



Final Report 30/9/23

The State of Autonomous Shipping in Indonesia

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The State of Autonomous Shipping Concept in Indonesia

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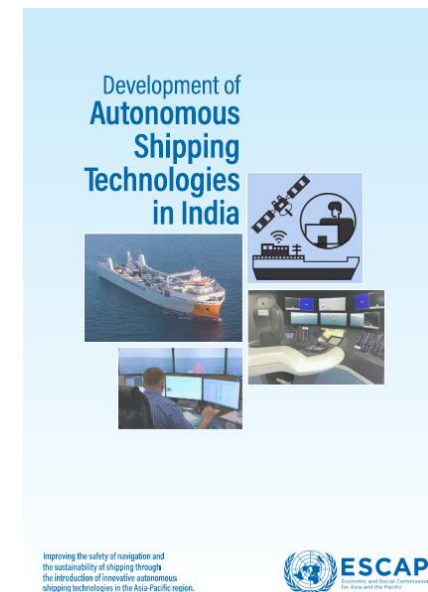
Improving the Safety of Navigation
and the Sustainability of Shipping
through the Introduction of
Innovative Autonomous Shipping
Technology in the Asia-Pacific
Region

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New projects for 2024: Digitalization and Resilience



New projects for 2024: Digitalization and Resilience

Project Background:



Unprecedented Digital
Technology
Development in the
field of Logistics

Increasing Wave
Intensity and
Frequency with Rising
Sea Level

Renovating Port
Infrastructure for
Digital competitiveness
and Climate-related
resilience



Only for large and
Medium-sized ports
that have resources
and capacities.

Widening digital and
resilient gap in
maritime connectivity
between large ports
and small ports

Affordable Digital and
Disaster Resilient
Technologies that make
a difference.

New projects for 2024: Digitalization and Resilience

Title	Bridging the digitalization and resilience gap in small ports in the Asia-Pacific region
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Project Period	2024 May – 2025 December (20 months)
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Project Objective	Narrow the gap in port digitalization and climate resilience between member States' ports to promote sustainable and inclusive development in Asia and the Pacific	Explore technologies and policies for small ports
		Improving the policy capacity of these small ports.

New projects for 2024: Digitalization and Resilience

Target Countries/Sub- Region(s)

Small Island Developing States in the Pacific and Archipelagic countries in the South-East and South-West Asia



Activities

Conduct research on the current digital port technologies and disaster resilient port infrastructure technologies for small ports

Prepare policy recommendations to promote port digitalization and secure climate-related disaster resilience of small ports

Organize capacity building workshops

New projects for 2024: Digitalization and Resilience

Tentative Target Countries for the Project

	The South-East Asia	The South-West Asia	The Pacific Region	Total
Port Digitalization	Philippines	Sri Lanka	Solomon Island Kiribati	4
Disaster Resilience	Indonesia	Maldives	Papua New Guinea Fiji	4
Total	2	2	4	8

New projects for 2024: Digitalization and Resilience

Tentative Work Plan

	KEY ACTIVITIES	2024			2025			
	Quarter	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
	Output 1.1: Port Digitalization							
A1.1.1	Data collection and analysis							
A1.1.2	Organize capacity building workshops							
A1.1.3	Develop reports							
	Output 2.1: Disaster Resilient Port							
A2.2.1	Data collection and analysis							
A2.2.2	Organize capacity building workshops							
A2.2.3	Develop reports							

New projects for 2024: Digitalization and Resilience

Capacity Building Workshop



2024 December 8-9
Busan, the Republic of Korea



Inviting Representatives from target countries, international experts, consultants, and related organizations

Exchange of good practices and relevant global and regional initiatives on Digitalization and Disaster Resilience



New projects for 2024: Digitalization and Resilience

Request for Cooperation

Selection of target port and designation of person in charge

Provision of data related to port status

Support for identifying needs on digitalization and disaster response

Continuous communication through project implementation

Economic and Social Commission
for Asia and the Pacific