



The Westin Cleveland Downtown  
Orchid Ballroom- 6<sup>th</sup> Floor  
February 5-6, 2019

\*Program is subject to change

**Tuesday February 5, 2019**

1:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

**Opening Remarks**

Mr. Alan Bernstein  
Great Lakes Waterways Conference Organizer  
President and Owner, BB Riverboats

Mr. David Gutheil  
Vice-President/Maritime & Logistics  
Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Port Authority

Event Moderator:  
Mr. Paul LaMarre III  
Port Director, Port of Monroe, MI

1:15 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Blockchain Dynamics**

Mr. Bernie Moreno  
President  
Bernie Moreno Companies

2:00p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

**A Look to the Future and Technology of the Seaway**

Mr. Craig Middlebrook  
Deputy Administrator  
Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

Mr. Terence Bowles  
President and CEO  
St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation

2:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

**Refreshment Break**

3:15 p.m. – 4:15p.m.

**Strategies at Home and Across the Globe**

U.S. Coast Guard’s Maritime Commerce Strategic Outlook

LCDR William Albright  
Waterways Management and Ocean Policy  
U.S. Coast Guard

What’s trending in Global Shipping

LCDR Megan Drewniak  
Past U.S. Coast Guard Liaison for World Maritime University  
Malmo Sweden

Maritime Training Centers of Excellence

Event Moderator and Presenter:  
Mr. Richard Balzano  
Deputy Administrator  
Maritime Administration/U.S. DOT

4:15 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Great Lakes Shipping in the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress**

Mr. Steve Fisher  
Executive Director  
American Great Lakes Ports Association

Mr. Mark Ruge  
Partner  
K & L Gates

5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

U.S. Coast Guard Sector Prevention Chief  
Break out Session

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

**Networking Reception**  
Grand Foyer – 6<sup>th</sup> Floor

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

**Admiral’s Dinner and Awards Ceremony**

Keynote Speaker:  
RADM John Nadeau  
Assistant Commandant Prevention Policy  
U.S. Coast Guard  
Washington, D.C.

**Master of Ceremony**  
Mr. David Knight  
David Larkin Knight LLC

**Wednesday, February 6, 2019**

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - Great Lakes Navigation System Update**

- Great Lakes Program Overview
- Key System Challenges
- Dredged Material Management Initiatives
- Soo Locks Update
- FY18 Scheduled Work and FY19 Priorities

9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**Refreshment Break**

10:00 a.m. – 10:45a.m.

**Cyber Advancements**

Dr. Loren W. Wagner, DIA, CISSP, CSSBB  
Senior Director Compliance Services  
CentraComm

Mr. Mark R. DuPont  
President, Merrick Maritime Security, Inc.  
Executive Director, National/International Maritime Law Enforcement Academy

Event Moderator and Presenter:  
CAPT Ryan Manning  
Chief, Office of Port & Facilities Compliance  
U.S. Coast Guard

10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**State Engagement in Great Lakes Trade**

Mr. Eric Oberhart  
Consultant  
CPCS – Solutions for Growing Economies

Mr. Dave Lorenz  
Vice President, Michigan Economic Development Corporation  
Chair, Cruise the Great Lakes

Moderator:  
Mr. David Naftzger  
CEO  
Conference of Great Lakes and St Lawrence Governors and Premiers

11:30 am – 12:00 p.m.

**U.S. and Canadian Coast Guard Issues**

Mr. Gary Ivany  
Interim Assistant Commissioner, Central and Arctic Region  
Canadian Coast Guard

RADM Joanna Nunan  
Commander, Ninth Coast Guard District  
U.S. Coast Guard

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Lunch**  
Vanda Ballroom

1:00 p.m.

**End of Conference**

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