

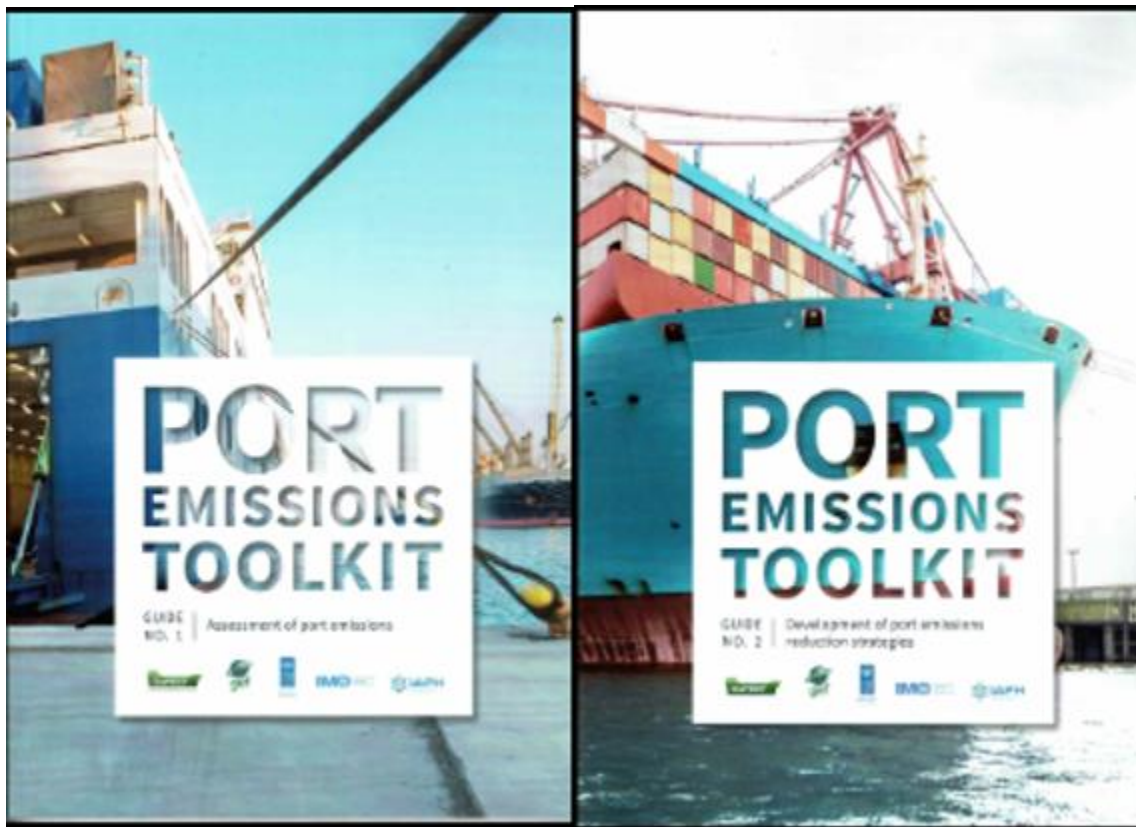
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Ship-Port Interface Guide

(Practical Measures to Reduce GHG)

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Members may be aware, especially if they attended ITP#81 in Immingham UK or read the subsequent report of that meeting (or ITP#82 in Malta), that the IMO (International Maritime Organisation) has published a series of documents assisting organisations with reduction of emissions especially GHG (Greenhouse gases). The first such of these, jointly developed by our sister organisation IAPH (International Association of Ports and Harbors) were.



Port Emissions Toolkits 1 and 2 (these were distributed freely at ITP#81)

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It cannot have escaped anyone's attention that the world is facing something of a climate change challenge. IMO has set demanding (some would argue not demanding enough) targets for vessels to cut their emissions, look at the use of alternative fuels etc.

Ports in the meantime are increasingly being asked what they can do to look at their own emissions and right now, how they can help vessels to meet their targets.

Controversial options for the latter are installing shore power facilities for example or offering alternative bunkering facilities for LNG, hydrogen fuels etc. None of these are inexpensive though and ports and terminals have argued that they will need government assistance, in some cases, to help with the capital cost.

Nevertheless, the pressure on ports to do something about their own carbon footprint and emissions is increasing. IMO has not yet legislated ashore on this but is approaching ever closer. Whilst ICHCA has signed up (as all Maritime Administrations and NGO's have at IMO) to a voluntary commitment to doing what we can going forward, this pressure will increase and many ports and terminals have already made major strides, examples of which can be found on the World Port Sustainability Programme website at:

<https://sustainableworldports.org/about/>

ICHCA is a signatory to this initiative which was launched in Antwerp a couple of years ago.

IMO has now announced that there is a new publication to join the suite called.

Ship-Port Interface Guide, Practical Measures to reduce GHG. A copy of this (and all the other documents in the suite) can be found at.

<https://greenvoyage2050.imo.org/download-publications/>

In due course we will also add these to the ICHCA website under the "Campaigns" section for ease of access.

Of particular interest is a paragraph in the Executive Summary which reads;

"Furthermore, the important role of ports in the wider supply chain and the action that ports can take to facilitate the reduction of GHG emissions from shipping has been recognized through the adoption of resolution MEPC.323(74) in May 2019 on Invitation to member states to encourage voluntary cooperation between the port and shipping sectors to contribute to reducing GHG emissions from ships."

A copy of Resolution MEPC.323(74) is available from the secretariat.

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