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Interoceanic Canals and World Seaborne Trade: Past, Present and Future
Brussels, 7 – 8 – 9 June 2012

In today's worldwide relations changes are fast and sometimes astonishing. It is therefore important to evaluate what happened in the past, what is happening today and what may be the outcome for the future. And although the Chinese proverb states that "It is difficult to predict, especially about the future", some future developments may be added.

Themes

1. History of Maritime Connections
 - Interoceanic Canals: Suez, Panama, Kra
 - Sea Canals: Kiel, Corinth, Canso straight, Gulf Canal
 - Landbridges
2. Technological Changes in
 - Shipping: (size of vessels, operations, speed,...)
 - Ports
 - Cargo Handling
3. Political, Social and Economic Aspects
4. Environmental Issues on
 - Oil Pollution
 - Reduction of Noxious Gasses
5. Legal Aspects
 - Commercial
 - Piracy
6. Possible Future Developments...

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