

Spring Conference

March 23-24, 2009

Willard InterContinental Hotel • Washington, DC

Business attire is recommended for the seminar and special events.

Monday, March 23

8:00 a.m. – 5:00
p.m.

Registration (Ballroom Foyer- lower level)

8:00 – 11:00 a.m.

Committee Meetings as Called (please see room grid)

11:00 a.m. –
Noon

Caribbean Delegation Business Meeting (please see room grid)

Regional Caucuses (please see room grid)

11:00 – Noon

PPM Latin American Committee (Buchanan Room- lower level)

Noon – 1:30 p.m.

Lunch on your own

1:30 – 3:00 p.m.

AAPA Board of Directors Meeting (Buchanan Room- lower level)

3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

Latin American Delegation Business Meeting (Buchanan Room- lower level)

3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

Canadian Delegation Meeting (Chase Room- 2nd floor)

3:15 – 4:45 p.m.

U.S. Legislative Policy Council Meeting (Ballroom- lower level)
(U.S. Corporate Members only please)

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

Cocktail Reception

(Crystal Room-
lobby level)

- Co-Hosted by the **Port of Galveston**, Host of the 2009 Annual Convention, and **ARES Corporation**



Tuesday, March 24

7:30 a.m. – 5:00
p.m.

Registration

(Ballroom Foyer-
lower level)

7:30 – 8:15 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

(Crystal Room-
lobby level)

- Co-sponsored by **Tactical Survey Group, Inc.** and **SecurePort**



Tuesday, March 24 *(continued)***8:15 – 8:45 a.m. Welcome and Signing of MOU with European Sea Ports Organisation (ESPO)**(Crystal Room-
lobby level)

Kurt Nagle
President and CEO
American Association of Port Authorities
Alexandria, VA

Patrick Verhoeven
Secretary General
European Sea Ports Organisation
Brussels, Belgium

Geraldine Knatz, Ph.D.
Executive Director
Port of Los Angeles
AAPA Chairman of the Board

Victor Schoenmakers
Director Europe
Port of Rotterdam
Chairman, ESPO

8:45 – 9:15 a.m. Navigating the New Political Environment: What to Expect from the Obama Administration and the 111th Congress(Crystal Room-
lobby level)

Introduction:
Michael A. Leone
Port Director
Massachusetts Port Authority
Chairman-Elect, AAPA U.S. Delegation

Speaker:
Rodney E. Slater
Partner
Patton Boggs LLP
Washington, DC

9:15 – 9:45 a.m. Priorities for the U.S. Department of Transportation(Crystal Room-
lobby level)

Introduction:
Dr. Knatz

Speaker:
The Honorable Ray LaHood
Secretary
U.S. Department of Transportation
Washington, DC

9:45 – 10:15 a.m. Port Security Funding and the Role of DHS in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009(Crystal Room-
lobby level)

Introduction:
Mr. Nagle

Speaker:
W. Ross Ashley
Assistant Administrator of the Grant Programs
Directorate
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, DC

10:15 – 10:30 a.m. Break(Crystal Room-
lobby level)

- Sponsored by **Boyden Global Executive Search**

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10:30 – 11:00 a.m. The Importance of Infrastructure Investment to the Economy: Making Freight Mobility a Priority(Crystal Room-
lobby level)

Introduction:
John Horsley
Executive Director
AASHTO
Washington, DC

Speaker:
Allen D. Biehler
Secretary
PA Department of Transportation
President, American Association of State
Highway and Transportation Officials
Washington, DC

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Tuesday, March 24 *(continued)***11:00 – 11:30 a.m. USACE'S Role in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009**(Crystal Room-
lobby level)**Introduction:**

Pete Reixach
Executive Port Director
Port Freeport, TX
Vice Chairman, AAPA U.S. Delegation

Speaker:

MG Don T. Riley
Deputy Commanding General and Deputy
Chief of Engineers
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

11:30 a.m. – Noon Pre-Luncheon Reception (Ballroom Foyer- lower level)**12:00 – 2:00 p.m. Annual "Washington People" Luncheon**

(Ballroom- lower level)

Introduction:**Dr. Knatz****Speaker:**

The Honorable Jane Harman (D-CA)
U.S. House of Representatives
AAPA 2009 Port Person of the Year

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THOMPSON COBURN LLP**2:15 – 4:00 p.m.**(Crystal Room-
lobby level)**The Importance of Seaports: Getting the Message Out**

AAPA's strategic awareness initiative is designed to educate and communicate the vital role seaports play within the Western Hemisphere. The campaign has a theme - Seaports Deliver Prosperity - key messages, collateral materials and tools useful to all AAPA members. AAPA's communications consultant will address the importance of a strong awareness campaign as we position our industry as a leader in the trade and transportation community.

Introductory Remarks:**Dr. Knatz****Speaker:**

Bob Knott
U.S. Managing Director and EVP Corporate
Communications Group
Edelman
Washington D.C.

4:00 – 5:00 p.m.(Crystal Room-
lobby level)**Briefing on Government Relations Issues****Speakers:**

Highway Reauthorization and WRDA
Ken Kopocis
Senior Council
House Transportation and Infrastructure
Committee

Stimulus and Corps Issues

Pete Luisa
Programs Integration Division
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Transportation Electrification Program

Lee Slezak
Manager
Vehicle Technology Analysis & Evaluation
Vehicle Technologies Program
U.S. Department of Energy

Wednesday, March 25**Individual Capitol Hill and Federal Agency Visits**

* Simultaneous translation of English to Spanish and of Spanish to English will be offered.