

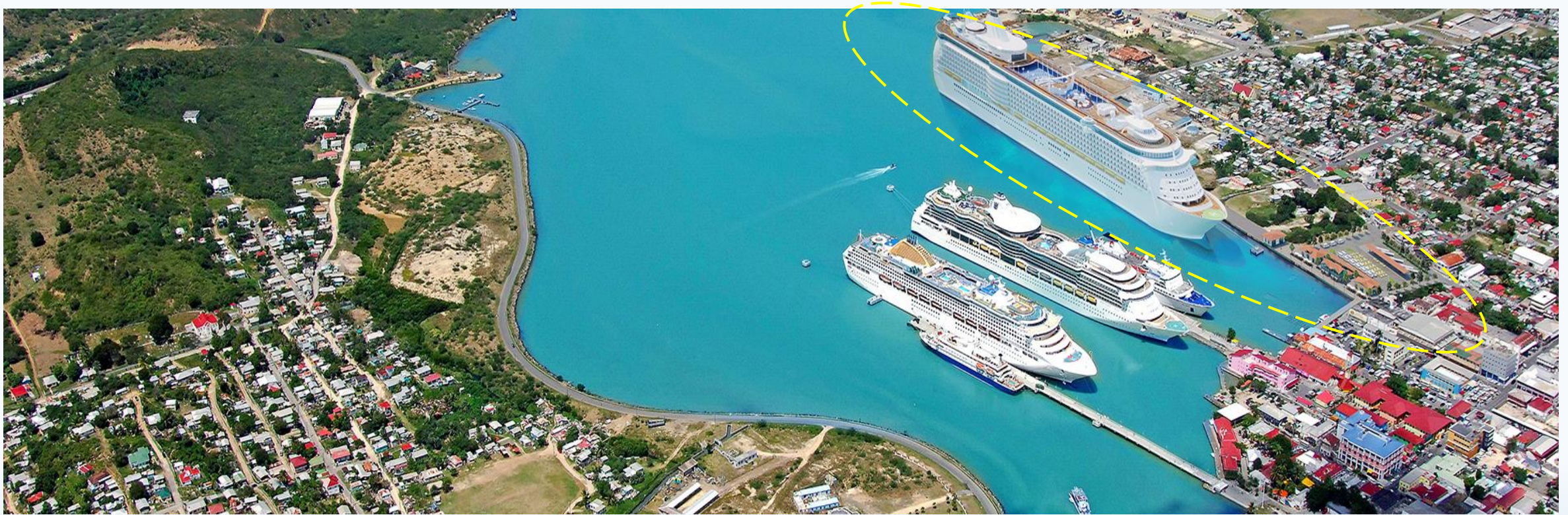
21st Meeting of the Meso American – Caribbean Sea Hydrographic Commission

National Report by

Antigua and Barbuda

Top achievements during the year (3 maximum)

- **Completion of the 5th Cruise Ship Berth to accommodate the Oasis Class Cruise Ships**



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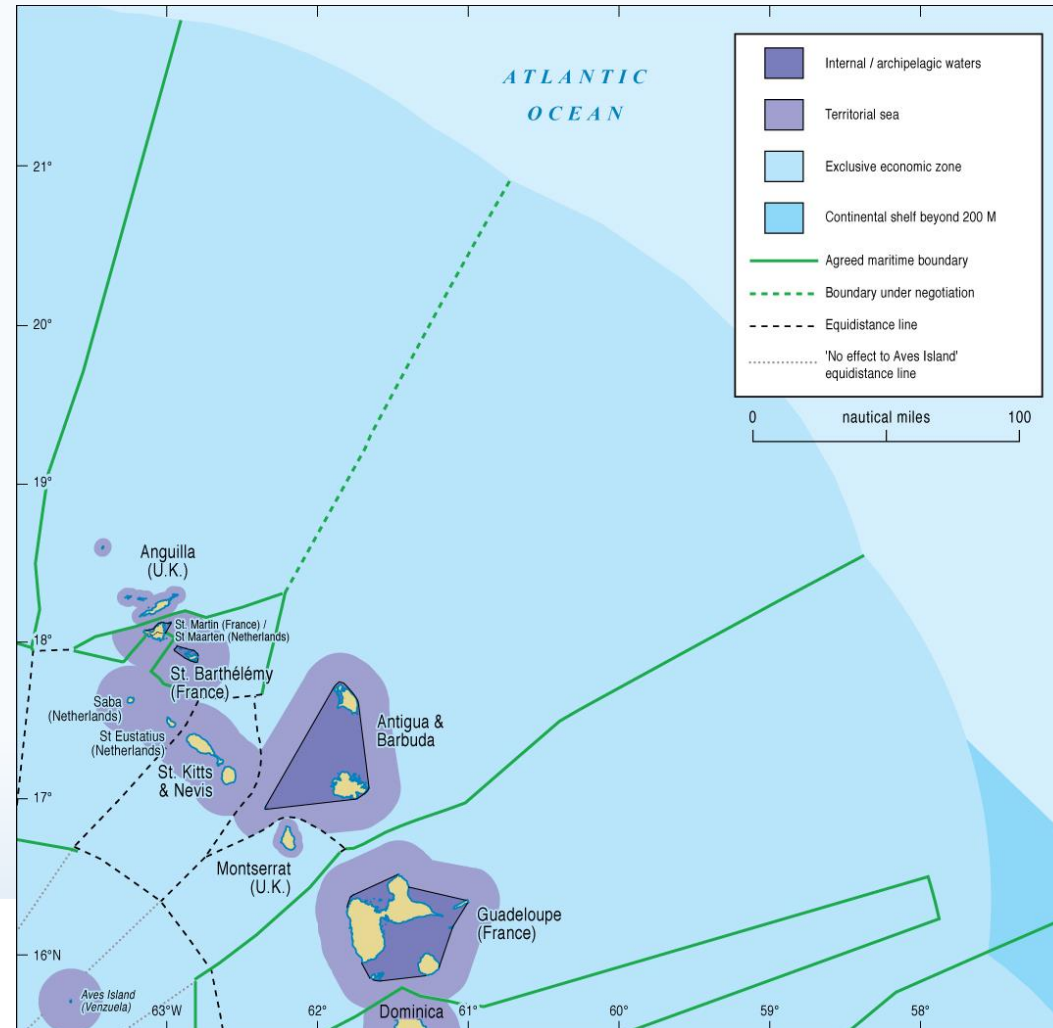
- **St. John's Harbour Works:**

- The dredging of the pier sides of the cruise ship berths at Heritage Quay – works continue: dredging and widening of the turning basin and main channel
- The building of a new seawall (harbor defense structure)
- Land reclamation - Dredge Bay area
- Renovation of the Northern Heritage Quay infrastructure



Top achievements during the year

- **Completing the negotiations for Maritime Boundaries between Antigua and Barbuda and Anguilla (United Kingdom)**



Top challenges and/or obstructions

- Lack of synergy and effective cooperation and coordination among stakeholders in developing maritime infrastructures.
- Lack of a dedicated hydrographic survey platform to optimize the utilization of the Portable Multi-Beam Equipment obtained from the UKHO under the CMEP Programme.
- Establishing a National Regime for the delivery of Hydrographic Services – collaboration between multiple stakeholders (ADOMS/NHO, Coast Guard and the Survey Department).

Top Plans that affect the region

(Charts, surveys, training, other)

- **Government to lay independent/state owned (APUA) fiber optic cable.**
- **The Caribbean Community Climate Change Centre (5Cs - Belize) Lidar survey project for the Caribbean.**
 - Coastal bathymetric and topographic data will be acquired using an airborne LIDAR system;



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