

PORT OF BRISBANE CORPORATION – "BUILDING CAPACITY – BEATING CONGESTION"

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ABSTRACT

The essence of the PBC presentation will focus on the need for sound planning principles when assessing the logistical requirements of operating an international port. Focus will be on three critical areas of Port Access, ie: Road, Rail and Sea. A key message will be the need to consider all of these access points in the prime equation, to ensure an efficient operational port, and that any relaxation of concentration in any one area can result in significant logistical and economic loss. Some of the keynotes will also cover aspects of the impact on logistics of the new maritime security provisions, and the building of defence relationships with international partners. The presentation also provides a history of the port and how the port has evolved in line with significant changes to international trade supply chain advancements, such as containerisation and the introduction of mega-vessels. Future changes to the supply chain are contemplated and some of the future issues are highlighted whereby logistical solutions are being sought. Above all the Port of Brisbane is seeking to "future-proof" the port, ensuring that access to the port remains efficient and infrastructure is provided in line with growing demand.

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