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ICT tool in use at the Port of Trieste: the Port Community System Sinfomar

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EDUCATION

- Dottorato (Ph.D.) in Information Technology Engineering, University of Trieste (2012)
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The Importance of ICT tools in Ports

- The European Commission defines the Port Authority as the entity which has
 as its objective under national law or regulation, the administration and
 management of the port infrastructures and the coordination and control
 of the activities of the different operators present in the port.
- However we can find **different types of port authorities** depending on their size, the kind of traffic they manage, their political, social and geographical environment, what is their main objective, the way they approach their functions and the role and strategies they adopt, their governance model, ...
- In Italy: law n.84/94 (D.lgs.169/2016) art.4 Port Classification

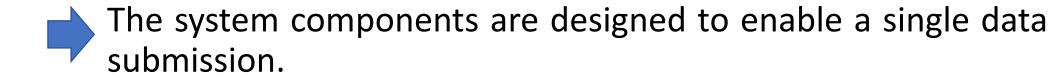
The Importance of ICT tools in Ports

- Information and communications technology (ICT) tools have an important role in the governance and efficiency in the flow of goods at ports. A key element in the application of ICTs in ports is the interconnection of different actors of the supply chain that makes possible a better information flow.
- Recent developments in international trade and transport have led to an increased use of ICT in ports.
- ICT solutions are playing an increasing role in the design and implementation of trade and transport facilitation measures. These applications can reduce waiting times at border crossings and at ports, secure processing of data, simplify formalities, and provide timely information to transport operators.

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What is a PCS?

- Its development starts in the '70s and' 80s in Germany, France and Great Britain.
- It is an electronic open platform connecting multiple ICT based networks/systems operated by different seaport organisations.
- Its main objective is the optimization and harmonization of all port logistic processes through a 'single window system' concept.



PCS definition



The Port Community System (PCS) is a neutral and open electronic platform enabling intelligent and secure exchange of information between public and private stakeholders in order to improve the competitive position of the sea and air ports.

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Reasons for implementing the PCS Sinfomar

- As key nodes in international transport chains providing access to global markets, ports
 are more and more under constant competitive pressure to face the challenge of changes
 in the economic, institutional, regulatory and operational domains.
- EU and international port freight transport main protagonists recognize the deployment of web-based ICT solutions as key drivers to optimize the overall logistics processes providing operators, both from public and private sectors, with a reliable, effective and efficient real time information management system.



In 2014, within a co-financed EU TEN-T Programme project named ITS Adriatic Multiport Gateway, the Authority launched the implementation of a dedicated ICT platform reaching the definition of the PCS Sinfomar.

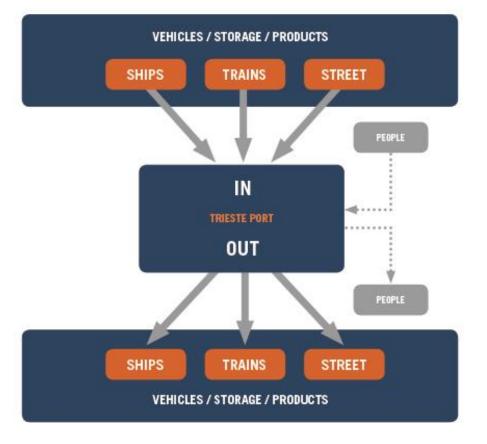
Main stakeholders involved



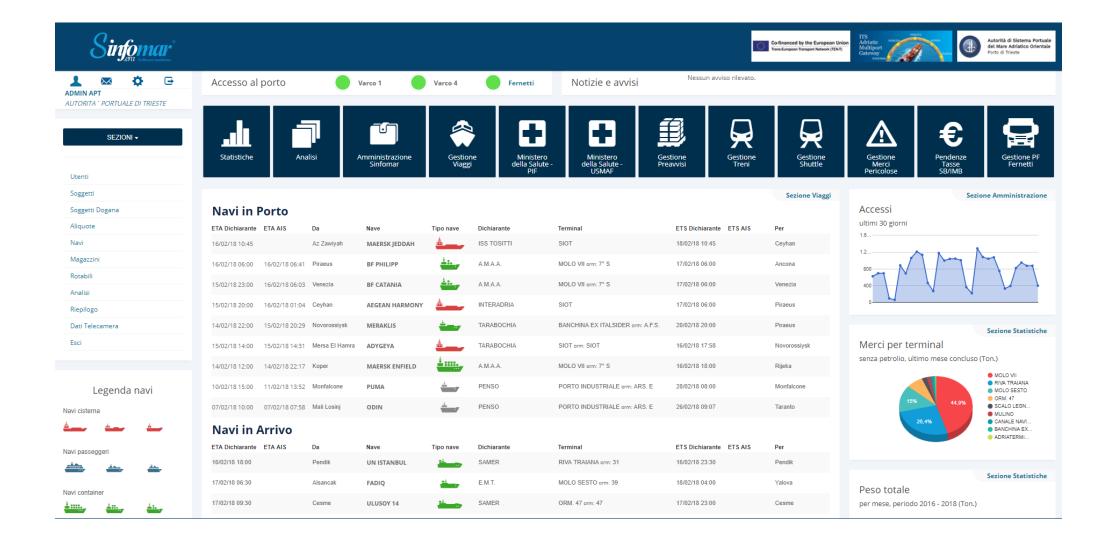
The Overall System Architecture Framework

• Focus on intelligent and secure exchange of information between both private and public organizations with the primary goal to create the most favourable conditions to constantly improve the competitiveness of the

Port Authority



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Main Modules

- 1. Pre-Arrival/Departure Notifications
- 2. Ships
- 3. Cargo
- 4. Vehicle
- 5. Trains
- 6. Statistics/Analysis

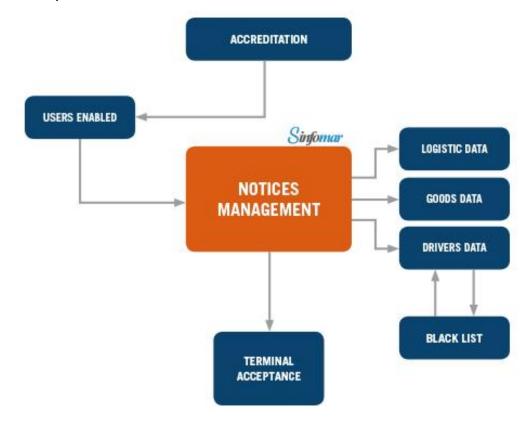
- 7. People
- 8. Maritime Health Authority
- 9. Dangerous Goods
- 10. Taxes on Loading/Unloading
- 11. External Free Zone Terminal-Area

Pre-Arrival/Departure Notification

Key Features

It elaborates up to 63 different basic data concerning logistics, Customs and security requirements. Specific types of processed data are related to:

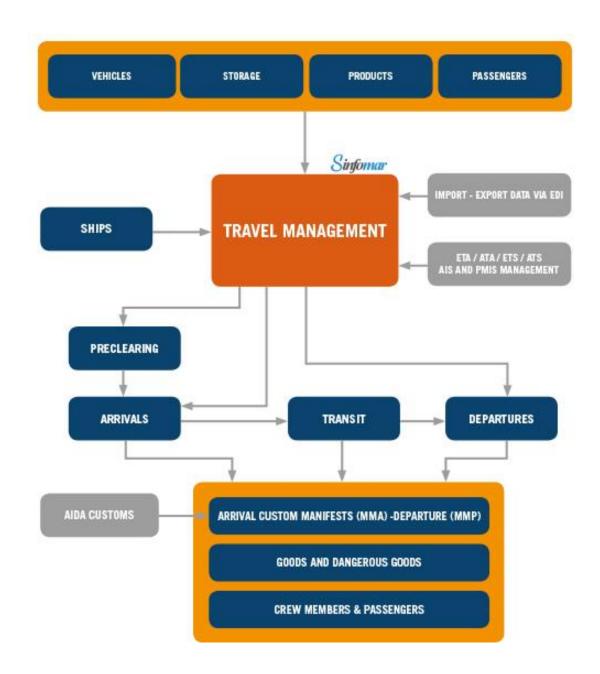
- > The arrival and departure of vehicles/containers
- The detailed specification of transported cargo
- ➤ The relevant data on ship crew / haulers



The Ship Module

Key Features

- It collects all ship data and relevant information on cargo / logistic units to be loaded or unloaded.
- It elaborates all data needed for the "ship formalities" and related to Customs procedure requirements.

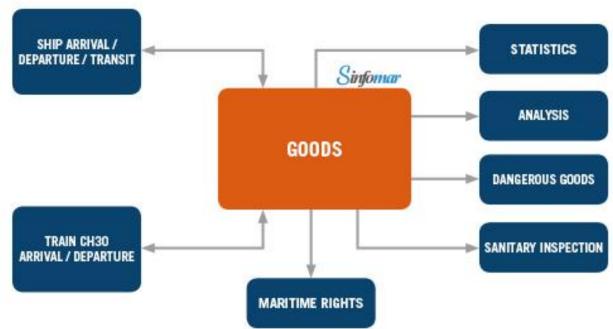


Cargo Module

Key Features

It allows:

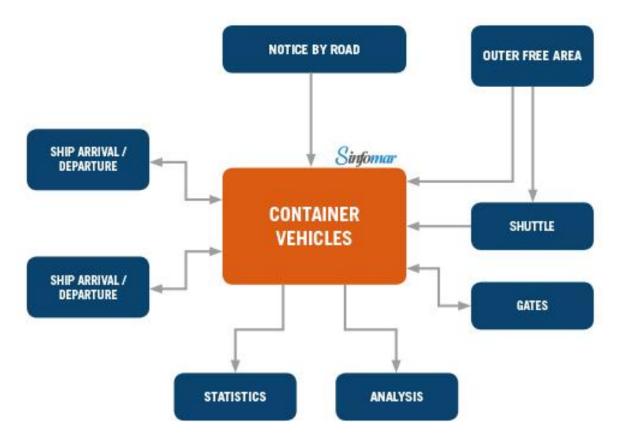
- the management of the entry and exit of cargo from/to the port areas by ship, train or road with the digitalization of the Rail Cargo Manifest and the Pre-Arrival/Departure Declaration Module procedures;
- the digitalization of the loading and unloading operations related to the Entry Summary Declaration (ENS) and export declarations (MRN);
- automatic calculation of the precise amount of duties/taxes related to maritime accounting.



Vehicles

Key Features

- It allows the identification and tracking of the vehicle landed or embarked by ship or the train / vehicle that enters or leaves the port area.
- It also allows the tracking of any type of cargo/containers carried by a vehicle, including the identification of the type of goods.

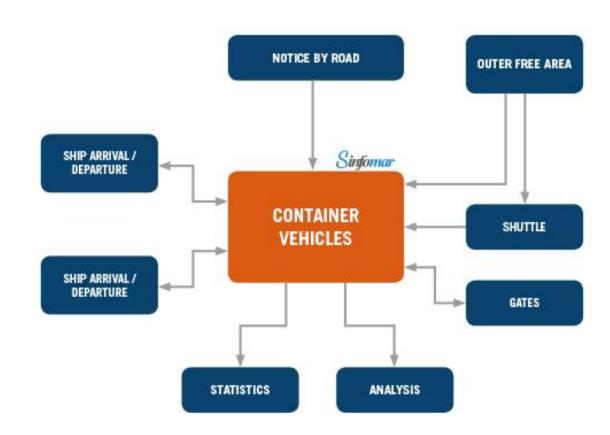


Integrated with the Pre-Arrival/Departure Module

Trains 1/2

Key features

- It allows the management of trains arriving or departing from the Port.
- It uses standards as: ILU codes for rolling stock, BIC for containers, UIC for wagons.



Integrated with the other modules involved in railway traffic for the train entry and exit control operations

Trains 2/2

Key features

It allows to generate a CH30 document (the Customs Agency required list for the formal declaration for train entering / leaving the port) in a single format, agreed with the private operators and the Customs Agency.

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Perspectives on further developments

Several further developments and pilot activities are planned for the next future, e.g.:

- Interoperability with the Port of Monfalcone, as well as other logistic centres and inland terminals of the Friuli Venezia Giulia Region – i.e.
 Cervignano, Gorizia and Pordenone;
- Interoperability with core regional industrial zones of Friuli Venezia Giulia Region;
- Interoperability with other core transportation nodes in Italy and abroad;
- Evaluation and testing processes related to the 'blockchain' in collaboration with strategic international PCS platforms.

Thank you for your kind attention!

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