

The World Association for Waterborne Transport Infrastructure

Developments in the automation and remote operation of locks and bridges

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Training and Reference Centre (AWATAR)

Belgium De Vlaamse Waterweg nv Developing technical, functional and

operational standards for remote operation of bridges and locks, integrating them into a training simulator and setting up a training

course for operators. Michiel Coopman

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Traffic Centre Zemst

Country

De Vlaamse Waterweg nv The automatization and remote control of multiple movable bridges, locks and

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ARGUS - subproject remote control

Country

Belgium Port of Antwerp

Investigating reasons for centralized control and building a simulator and

prototype.

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Full automatic surveillance of movable bridges and locks

Country

Belgium

Port of Antwerp

Design of a full automatic control system for all movable bridges and locks in the port of Antwerp.

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Remote terminal for the small locks operation

Country Company France

Develop a system that is compatible with older systems and make the terminal

easily adaptable for other uses.

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Design and construction of the Rhône Traffic Management Centre

France

Rhône Traffic Centre

Remote control for gauge locks from one central location in Châteauneuf-du-Rhône.

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Operation centre for movable bridges and navigation locks in Lelystad

The Netherlands

Witteveen+Bos

Realization of a marine traffic center in Lelystad and implement remote control of existing bridges and navigation locks in the

province Flevoland.

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Overhaul and implementation of remote control Vlaardingerdriesluis

The Netherlands Witteveen+Bos

Realization of a reliable and safe remote controlled navigation lock.

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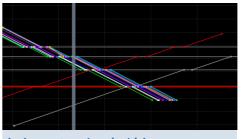


3B Building block

The Netherlands Riikswaterstaat

Rijkswaterstaat will start working with standard systems when operating (Bedienen), managing (Besturen) and monitoring (Bewaken) bridges. This 3B Building block will be used to operate, manage and monitor

bridges in a uniform manner Leon Hiittewaal leon.uiittewaal@rws.nl



Lock management service trials

Country

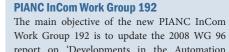
Germany

Optimizing occupancy of locks and reduce waiting times for ships by the introduction of lock management service.

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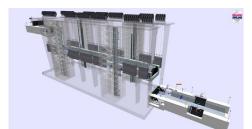
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report on 'Developments in the Automation and Remote Operation of Locks and Bridges' to reflect technological advancement and new considerations related to remote operation. Since the publication of WG 96 in 2008, significant technological advancements have been made at an increasingly rapid pace. Today, multiple ports and waterways have implemented remote operation technology or are planning this step in the nearby future. At the same time, events around the world have led to a much tighter security posture for marine and inland waterway transportation. This development has a significant impact on remote operation of locks and bridges, which was not fully addressed in the 2008 report. The Work Group shall collect recent developments and case studies from different countries and will publish a comprehensive summary of lessons learnt and best practices that can be incorporated into the future design of remote operation of locks and

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Automation Concept for the New Ship Lift Niederfinow

German Federal Waterways and Shipping

The project aims to ensure safe and reliable operation of the new ship lift of all automated

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New Hannover lock operation centre (LOC)

German Federal Waterways and Shipping Administration

Design&build of a LOC that ensures safe

and reliable operation of locks by bundling services and optimized personnel deployment. Rainer Strenge

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Remote operation of mechanised bridges

United Kingdom Royal HaskoningDHV Improvements to customer service and reduced staffing costs. Iason Hudson

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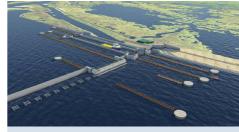
Grays Landing Remote Operations of Locks Demonstration

Kathy Griffin

United States of America US Army Corps of Engineers The project aims to demonstrate the viability

of remote lock operations on a large scale commercial waterway within the inland navigation system.

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Houma Navigation Canal Lock Complex

United States of America

TetraTech To provide hurricane protection for Houma

> and the surrounding area, to reduce salinity in Houma Navigation Channel, and to distribute freshwater in the Terrebonne Basin.

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Self-Mooring System

Canada

St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation

The Remote Operation project currently undertaken by the St. Lawrence Seaway Management Corporation intends to add remote operation of lock structures to the

existing Operation Control Centers. Leonard Swift

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