

# ACTIVITY REPORT 2022



**GUADELOUPE  
PORT CARAÏBES**

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## EDITORIAL



In recent years, the Guadeloupe Port Authority (GPMG), like many others, has been navigating a rapidly changing landscape. From the challenges posed by the Covid pandemic to the ongoing economic downturn, coupled with the evolving demands of

both our local region and the global maritime industry, the year 2022 has profoundly impacted the strategy of our Port. Within very tight timeframes, we had to make substantial investments and restructure our organizational and operational frameworks. Interestingly, despite these circumstances, our port has achieved good levels of traffic, showcasing our ability to rise to the occasion and overcome challenges—a testament to the dedication of our workforce.

This activity report marks a pivotal moment in the history of the GPMG. We need to transition from being a port that primarily serves Guadeloupe to becoming a strategic hub in the Caribbean. Our role is expanding and transforming. We are currently reshaping our identity, infrastructure, and service offerings to meet the demands of the next two or three decades.

Looking ahead 20 or 30 years requires us to broaden our perspective in terms of sustainable development. As a high-performing and attractive port, we must intensify our efforts to adapt to climate change and mitigate its impact. The following pages exemplify our unwavering commitment in this regard: the decarbonization of our operations, the preservation of natural habitats, and the safeguarding of biodiversity.

These ambitions, which are shared by our local community, rely on the dedication of all the individuals who make up the GPMG and their continuous pursuit of excellence in serving our clients, as well as on our ecosystem.

Our ambitions are further bolstered by our governance structures (Supervisory Board, Development Council, etc.), which, more than ever, will play a significant role in propelling us forward.

On behalf of our teams, I hope you enjoy reading this report.

**Jean-Pierre Chalus**  
CEO





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# 01. GOVERNANCE BODIES

In accordance with Law no. 2012-260 of 22 February 2012 on the reform of overseas ports, and Decree no. 2012-1103 of 1 October 2012 establishing the Guadeloupe Port Authority, the governance of Guadeloupe Port Caraïbes is as follows:

## THE SUPERVISORY BOARD

The role of the Supervisory Board is to determine the strategic direction of the company and to exercise ongoing control over its management. Members are appointed for a 5-year term. There are 17 members.

## THE DEVELOPMENT BOARD

The professional, social and voluntary sectors, as well as local authorities and their groupings, are represented on a Development Board. This consultative body issues an opinion on the port's strategy, pricing policy, etc. The Development Board has 20 members, divided into 4 colleges.

## THE INTERPORT COORDINATION COUNCIL

Set up by the major seaports of Guadeloupe, French Guiana and Martinique, this council adopts a coordination document on the main guidelines for the development, investment and promotion of the ports.

## THE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Under the supervision of the Supervisory Board, the main role of the Management Board is to direct and manage the company.

## SUPERVISORY BOARD

Chairperson  
**Ms Marie-Luce Penchard**

Vice-Chairman  
**Mr Bruno Blandin**

## AUDIT COMMITTEE

Chairperson  
**Mr Franck Chaulet (2018 - 2022)**  
**Mr Jacques Fayel (2022)**

## DEVELOPMENT BOARD

Chairperson  
**Mr Nicolas De Fontenay**

Vice-Chairman  
**Mr Joël Toto**

## INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Chairperson  
**Mr Ary Chalus**

## INTERPORT COORDINATION COUNCIL

Chairperson  
**Ms Sophie Brocas**

## MANAGEMENT BOARD

Chairperson  
**Mr Jean-Pierre Chalus**

Members  
**Ms Viviane Francois-Julien**  
**Mr Laurent Perrais**





# 02. PORT SITES

LEGEND



Logistics



Ship Repair



Ro-Ro & Cars



Containers



Sugar cane



Bulk solids



Cruise Passengers



Boating Yachting



Inter-island passengers



Car Ferry



Bulk liquids (petroleum)

The Port of Guadeloupe is a multipurpose key player in the Guadeloupean economy, handling a wide range of passenger and freight traffic, and contributing to the dynamism of the nautical and yachting sectors thanks to our 5 sites. We are responsible for the construction and maintenance of port facilities, the operation and development of shipping lanes, the preservation of natural areas and the promotion of activities in the sector at 5 specialised sites meeting ISPS standards\*.

*\*International Ship and Port Facility Security*



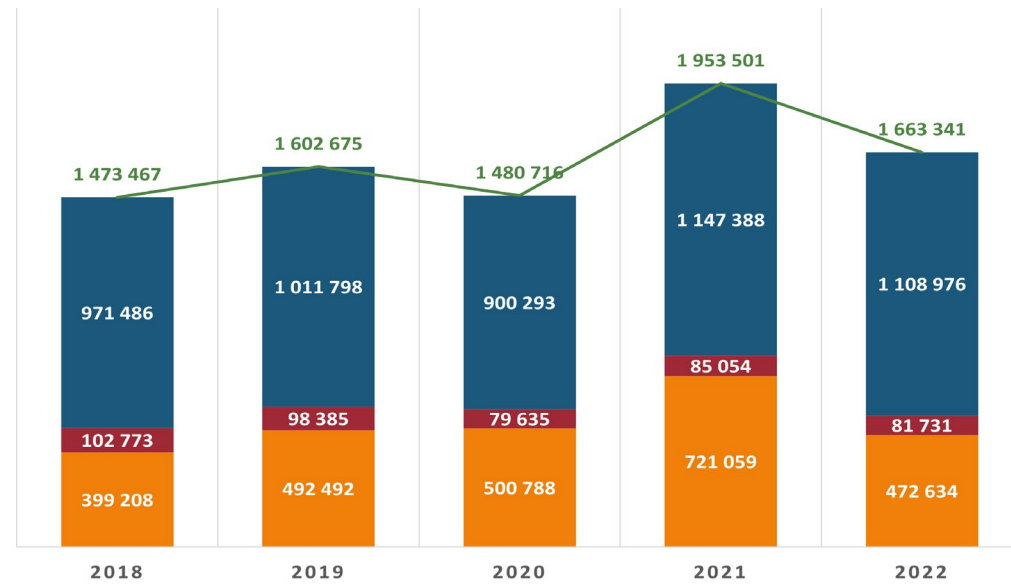
## PRESENTATION OF PORT ACTIVITIES BY SITE





# 03. TRAFFIC

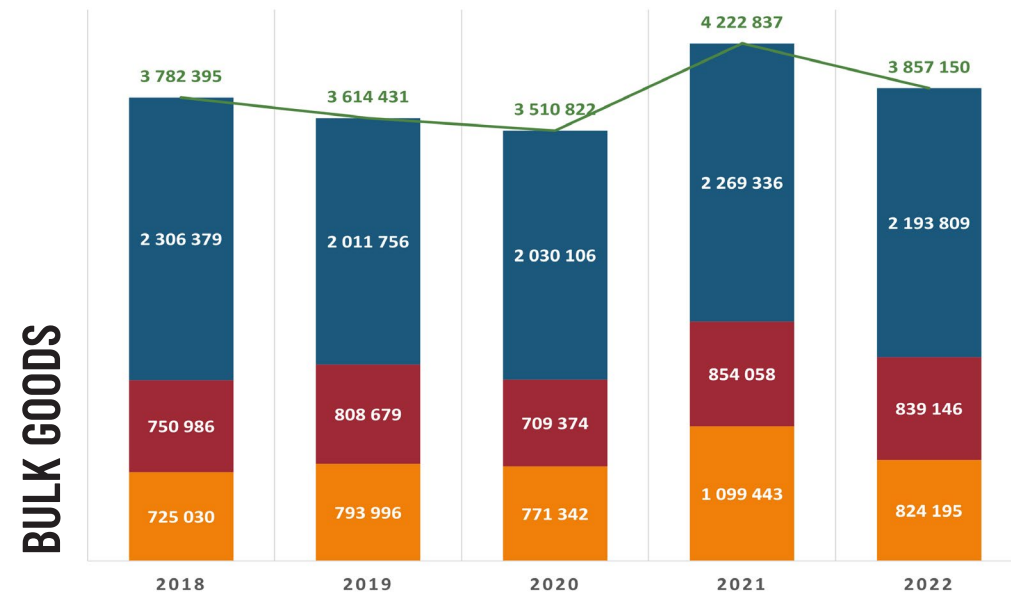
SECTORS



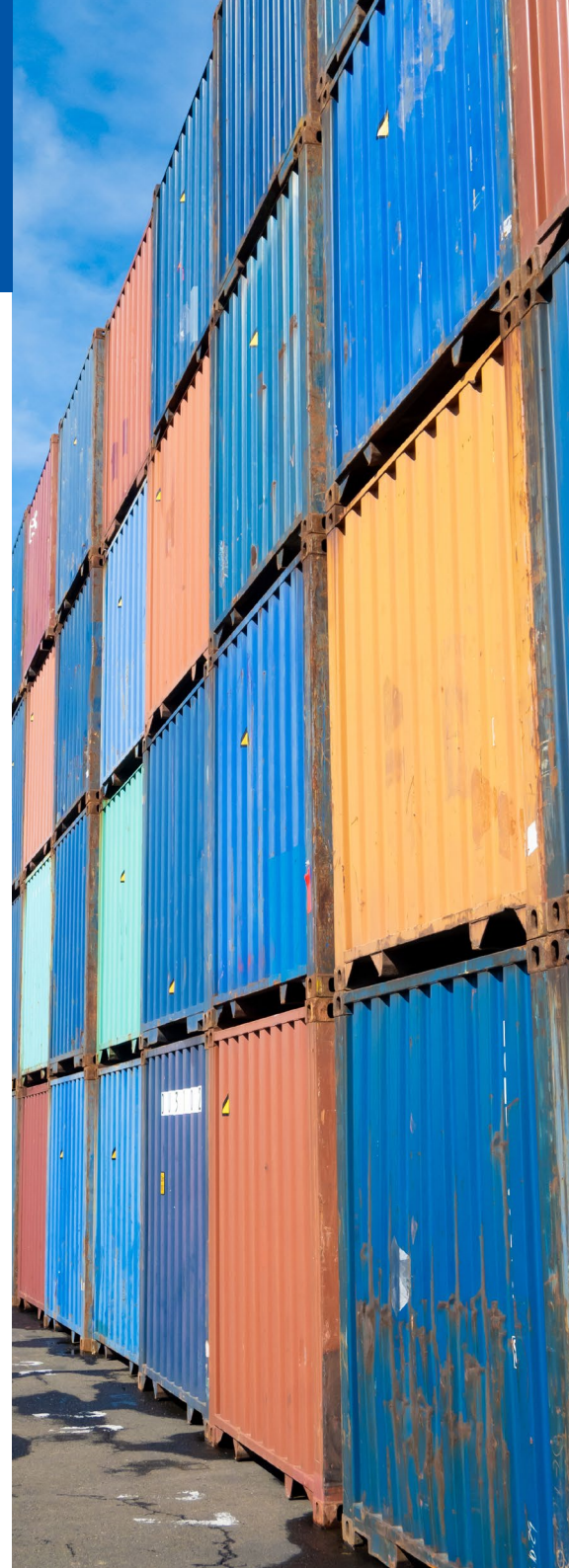
- Construction
- Agricultural
- Energy
- Total

While not reaching the record traffic of 2021 (4.2MT), the GPMG's activity remained robust in 2022. Nearly 3.9 million tonnes were handled at the port facilities, the second-best result for the company.

## GOODS TRAFFIC



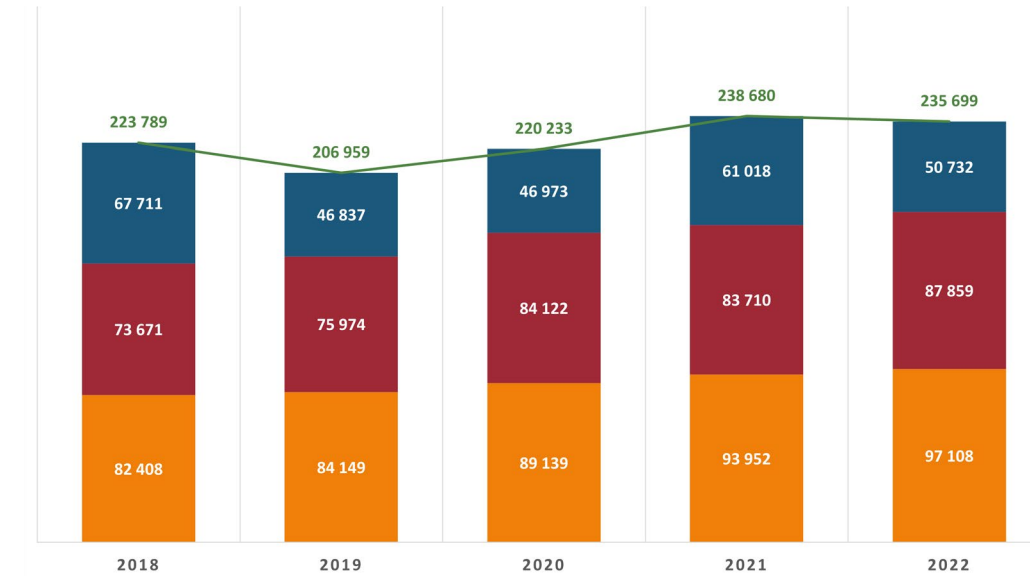
- Bulk liquids
- Bulk solids
- Miscellaneous
- Total



## CONTAINER TRAFFIC

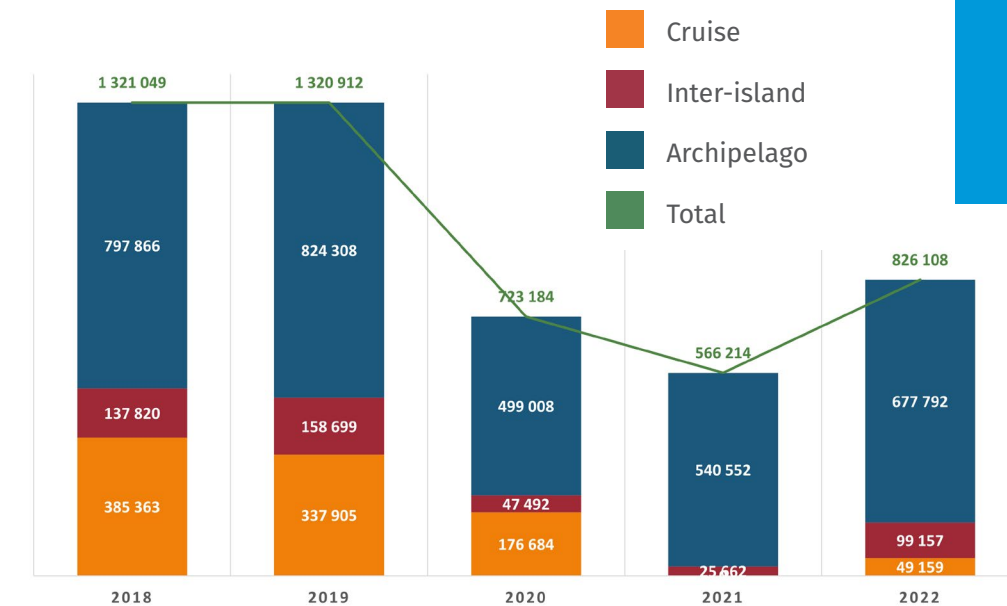
The overall figures for 2022 show a slight decline of 1.2% to almost 236,000 TEUs (2nd best result). However, domestic traffic was buoyant (+4%). There was a drop in transshipment traffic (51,000 TEUs, or -17%), due to a different call strategy from that adopted over the previous 2 years by the Brazex service (from Brazil).

- Import
- Export
- Transshipment
- Total



## PASSENGER TRAFFIC

Passenger traffic has picked up after 2 difficult years due to the pandemic. Overall, 826,000 passengers passed through the GPMG's facilities, an increase of 46%. For archipelago and inter-island (international) passengers, operations have resumed normally with no travel restrictions.



- Cruise
- Inter-island
- Archipelago
- Total

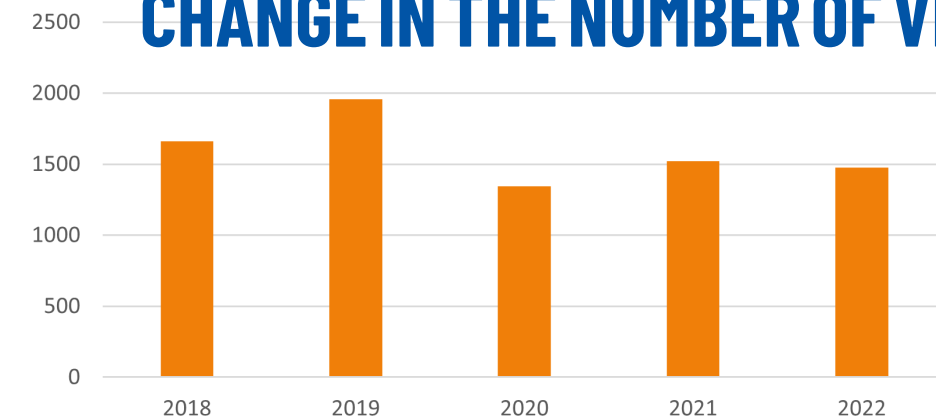


- Marie-Galante: 634,717 pax
- Martinique: 67,832 pax
- Les Saintes: 43,075 pax
- Other: 31,325 pax

pax = passengers

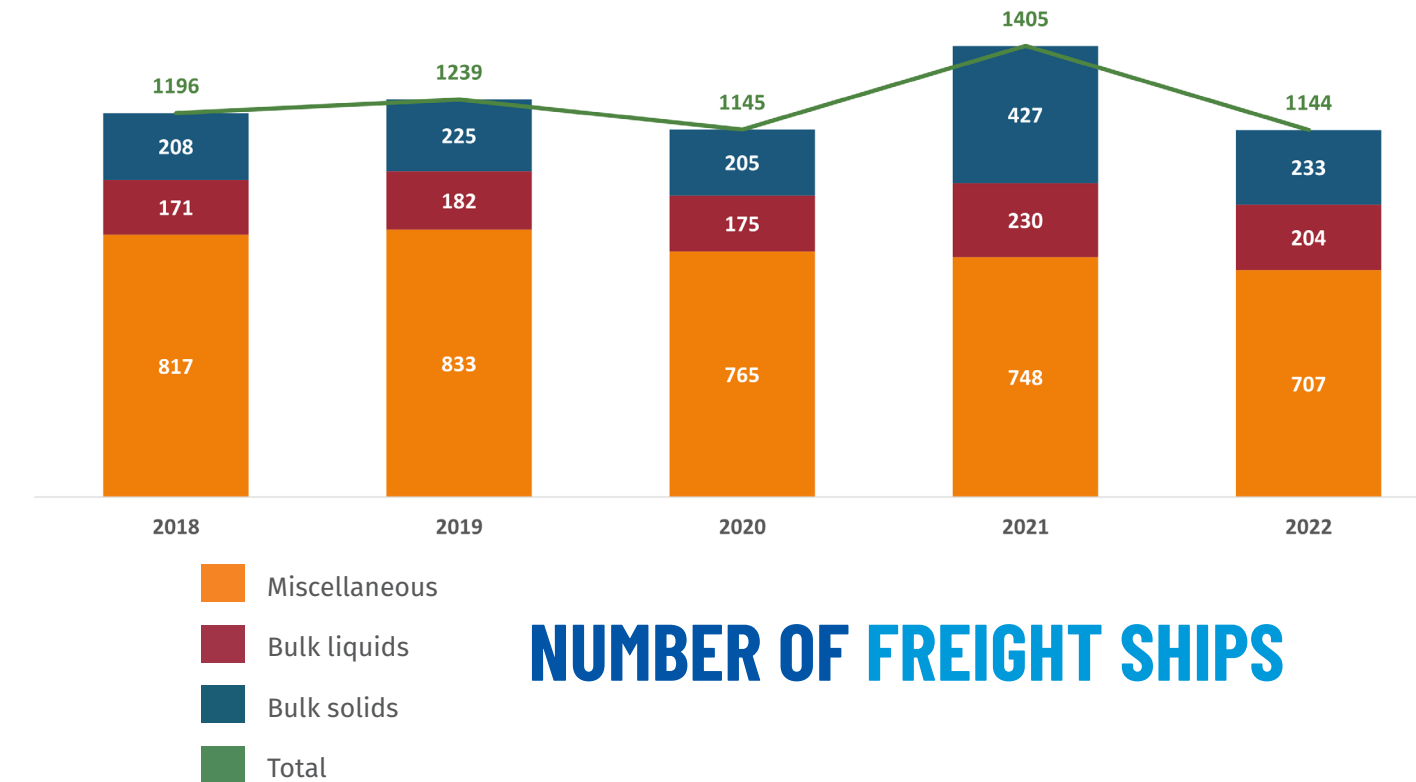
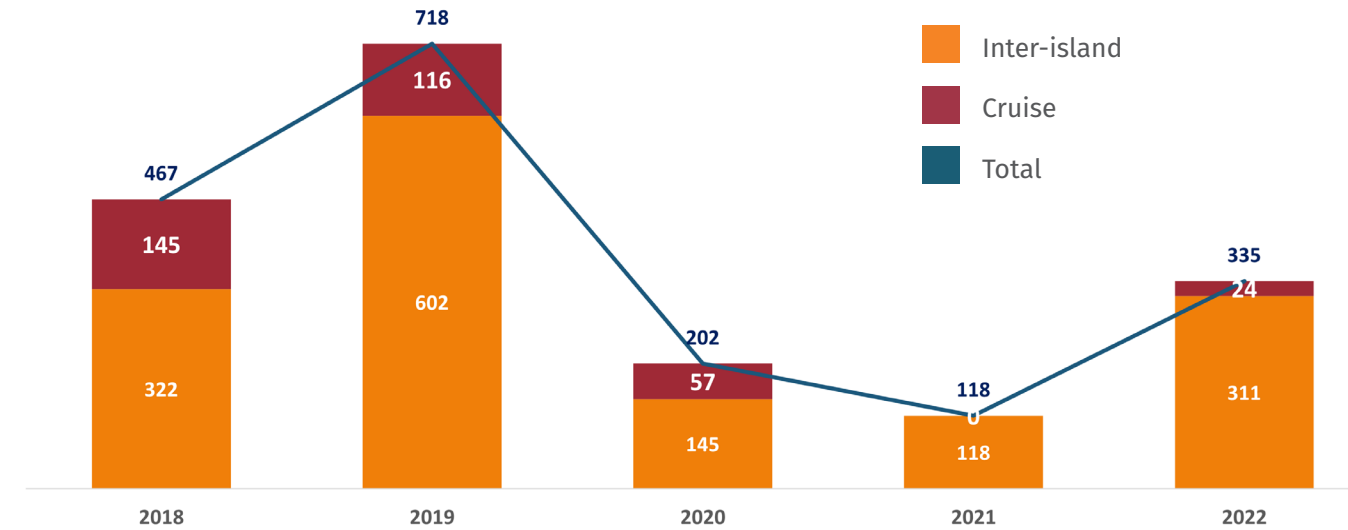


## CHANGE IN THE NUMBER OF VESSELS

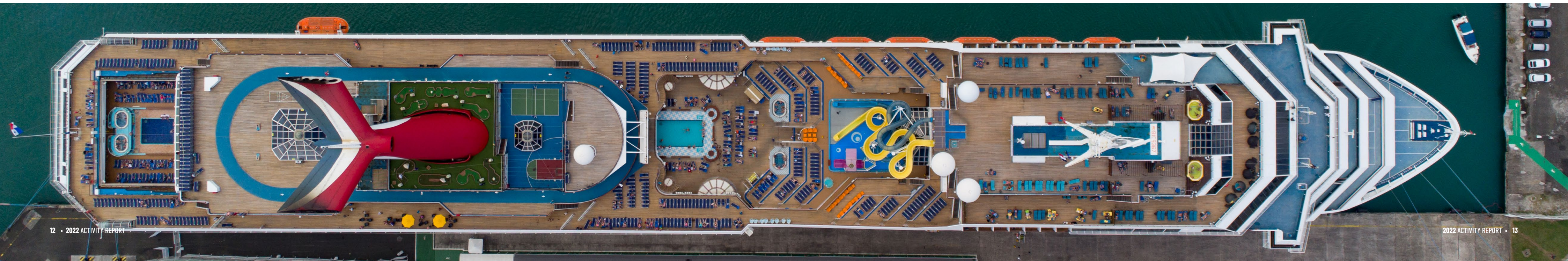


Cruising resumed in November after a hiatus of two and a half years. The legacy companies (Costa, MSC) have resumed their homeport activities. What's more, new-generation ships such as MSC Seaside and Enchanted Princess dock at Pointe-à-Pitre.

## NUMBER OF PASSENGER SHIPS



## NUMBER OF FREIGHT SHIPS





# 04. INVESTMENTS

INVESTMENTS  
€13.6 million

In 2022, the GPMG carried out a number of major operations included in our multi-year investment programme. The aim is to upgrade and reorganize our spaces, enhance our hosting capacity, strengthen interfaces, and improve the overall performance of our infrastructure.



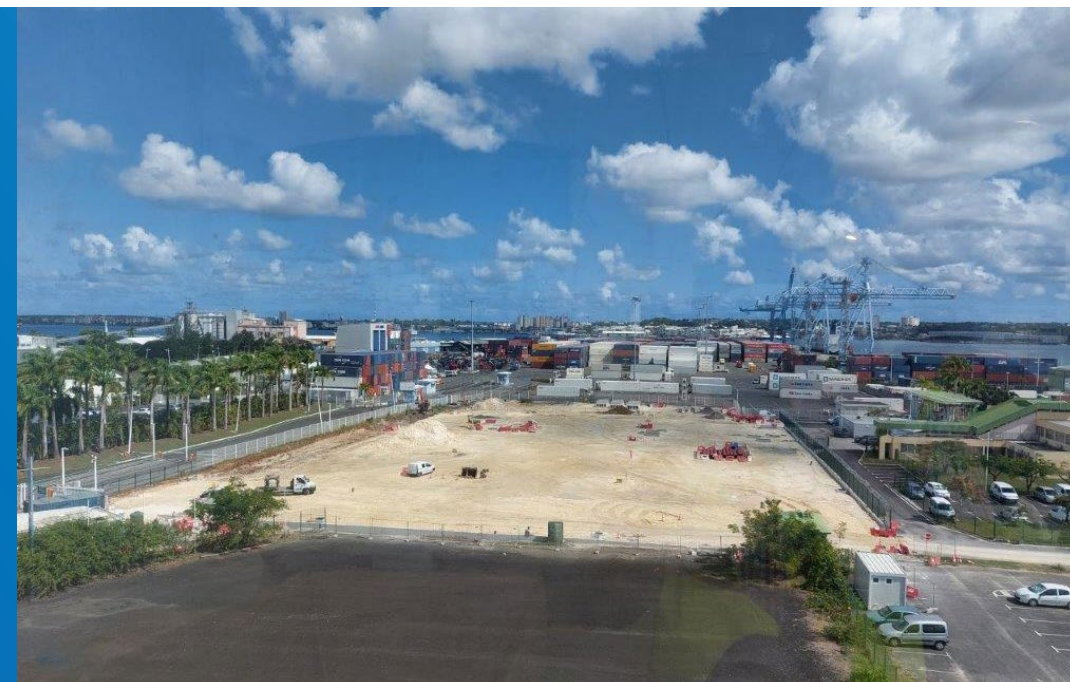
## ECOLOGICAL AND ENERGY TRANSITION

- Creation of an anchorage area to the north of the îlet Cochon **0.35 M€**
- Photovoltaic power plant at the Bergevin Interregional Ferry Terminal **0.40 M€**
- Environmental enhancement of the Basse-Terre Port **0.5 M€**
- Removal of wrecks in the harbour of Pointe-à-Pitre



## IMPROVED PERFORMANCE

- Extension and refurbishment of the gantry workers' workshop **1.10 M€**
- Port development (quays, buildings, roads and networks) **0.8 M€**



## MAINTAINING AND ENHANCING HOSTING CAPACITY

- Extension of the Reefer Park **1.5 M€**
- Quay extensions and upgrades

## KARUKERA BAY & CITY-PORT INTERFACE

- Continuation of the project to upgrade the city-port interface in the Darse sector of Pointe-à-Pitre **0.4 M€**

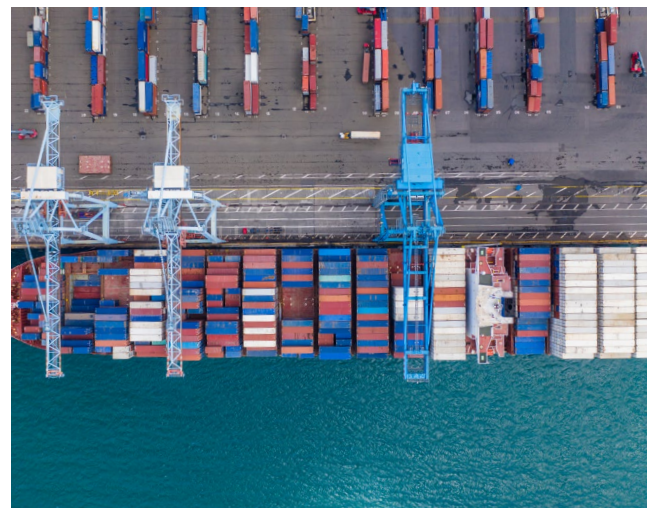




# 05. SHAPING THE FUTURE IN THE LIGHT OF THE TRANSITIONS



**As an island and archipelago, maritime and port activities play a major role in Guadeloupe's economy. As a generator of added value, the Guadeloupe Poort Authority plays a key socio-economic role in the region, supporting a sustainable and responsible model that helps accelerate the transitions needed for the future of the archipelago.**



## A KEY ECONOMIC ROLE

As part of a port and maritime ecosystem that generates more than 12,000 jobs (direct, indirect and induced), the GPMG is involved in almost 95% of the trade in goods between Guadeloupe and the rest of the world every year. The maritime transport and port services sector is by far the leading sector in the maritime economy (excluding tourist spending) in Guadeloupe, accounting for over 73% of value added and 53% of employment in the blue economy.

## TRANSITIONS AS A VISION FOR THE FUTURE FOR GPMG AND OUR REGION

Today, the GPMG is facing ever-greater challenges driven by the major transitions, in terms of energy, decarbonizing the maritime and port sectors, adapting to climate change, port development and social inclusion. All these challenges require a forward-thinking, dynamic and inclusive vision that benefits everyone in the region. For instance, the cruise industry's efforts to adopt environmentally friendly practices will be a topic of collective discussion and planning within the ecosystem.



Guadeloupe's Multi-Year Energy Programme (PPE) is currently being revised for the period 2023-2033. In this context, the GPMG has helped to



define the targets for decarbonizing the maritime transport sector and the associated economic challenges. The GPMG's involvement in various technical committees and workshops relating to the region's ecological transition is also a step in this direction.

Through our environmental initiatives, the GPMG intends to respond to the national ambition of the new National Port Strategy by positioning ourselves as an "accelerator of the ecological transition". In particular, the initiatives in 2022 will focus on the strategic objectives of decarbonizing activities, developing the circular economy, improving biodiversity protection and strengthening measures to mitigate and adapt to climate change. In 2022, environmental



monitoring will continue, as will the Cayoli programme and its initiatives (MANGCO, Life Adapt'Island and Cariports).

The MAGHIC (MARitime Green H2 Infrastructure in the Eastern Caribbean) project has been launched as part of the energy transition. An INTERREG Caribbean programme with a total eligible amount of €2.2m, MAGHIC studies the conditions and feasibility of a new green hydrogen energy sector, coupled with port infrastructure for unloading, storage and distribution.

## ART AND BLUE SPORTS, VECTORS FOR SOCIAL INCLUSION

The GPMG also invests in the cultural, artistic, sporting and educational development of the region.

These initiatives include technical support for the 12th edition of the legendary Route du Rhum "Destination Guadeloupe" and the provision of boating facilities, in particular a ceremonial dock.

The GPMG also supports Guadeloupean athletes who have chosen the sea as their arena for excellence, such as in sailing and windsurfing. Our significant involvement in Traditour, a traditional sailing competition throughout the archipelago, underscores our commitment to preserving and promoting heritage practices unique to our region. In 2022, the boat



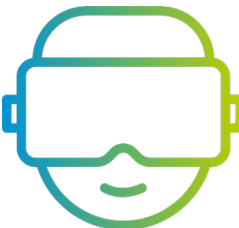
'Guadeloupe Port Caraïbes' once again entered the race for the ultimate victory. Also in 2022, the GPMG successfully launched the first edition of the Kayak Relay in the bay of Pointe-à-Pitre. The event brought together 15 teams and 200 participants.

The promotion of contemporary art also holds a prominent place in the GPMG's efforts to foster societal inclusion. By continuing our commitment to the organisers of the Pool Art Fair, a contemporary art fair that has become a key event in the archipelago's cultural calendar, we confirm our position as an active supporter of local artistic creation. For this 13th edition, the GPMG's support enabled local artists to showcase their work to the general public.





Finally, given the characteristics of the region, educating young people about maritime and port jobs is an extremely important and effective way to promote inclusion. Throughout the year, we welcomed several hundred students, giving them the opportunity to explore the port's diverse range of activities. The GPMG was also present at the "Cap sur l'Économie Bleue" (Focus on



the Blue Economy) Village, alongside Pôle Emploi, for a presentation of the types of jobs available at the port. The European Heritage Days were also an opportunity to invite one hundred primary school students from

Pointe-à-Pitre to discover the former Harbour Master's Office designed by Ali Tur, as well as a temporary exhibition on the city's port history. The schoolchildren also helped paint a mural in collaboration with the Guadeloupean artist Al Pacman.





## 06. KEY EVENTS



### Visit from the Prefect of Guadeloupe

On Friday 7 January, the Prefect of Guadeloupe, Alexandre Rochatte, and the sub-prefect of Pointe-à-Pitre, Bruno André, visited the GPMG facilities.



### 1st edition of the interport relay

On 21 May, in the bay of Pointe-à-Pitre, the GPMG organised the 1st inter-port double kayak relay with 15 teams from the port community.



### Pool Art Fair 2022

From 24 June to 3 July, the GPMG continued its support for the Pool Art Fair, which was exceptionally held in the Hotel Arawak in 2022.



### Traditour 2022

From 13 to 17 July, the GPMG boat participated in the Traditour race, an event that the GPMG has supported for many years.



### La Nuit de l'Alternance

On 21 September, the GPMG's teams took part in the "Nuit de l'Alternance" organised by Cap Excellence.



### Interamericas Gate workshop

On 22 November, the GPMG took part in a "user feedback" workshop as part of the roll-out of the Interamericas Gate project, in the presence of the Guiana and Martinique Port Authorities and the Port of Saint-Martin.



### European Heritage Days

On 23 September, students from primary schools in Pointe-à-Pitre discovered the old harbour master's office and an exhibition on the history of the port, and created a participatory fresco with the artist Al Pacman.



### "Resilience & Societal Inclusion" round tables

On 25 November, as part of the closing ceremony for the GPMG's 10th anniversary in Terminal Cruise H4, a panel of international experts was invited to debate the themes of "Resilience & Societal Inclusion".



### Launch of the Cariports project

On 29 September, the GPMG launched the Cariports project in the presence of a delegation from the Caribbean Shipping Association.



### Route du Rhum 2022

In November, the GPMG joined forces with the Guadeloupe Region as a technical partner of the Route du Rhum and sponsor of Guadeloupean skipper Rodolphe Sépho for his 3rd participation.









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