



Enhanced Marine Domain Awareness

ClearSeas – Beyond the Horizon Webinar

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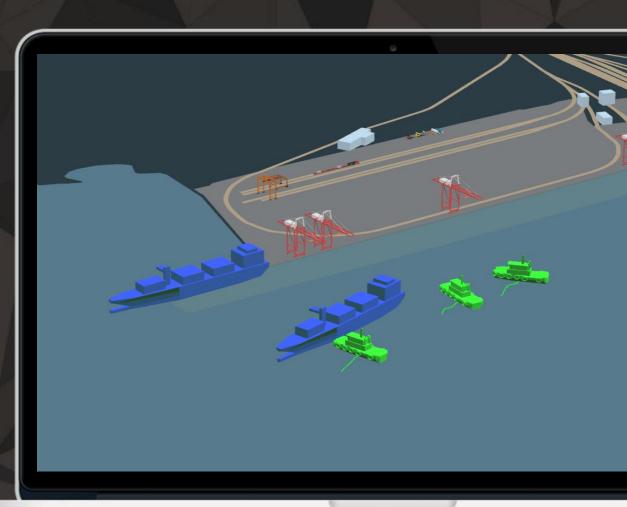
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Today's Agenda

- Welcome by Clear Seas
- Genesis of the Port Halifax Operations Centre
- About Datifex
- Demonstration of OneHarbour
- Overview of the process, challenges, and lessons learned
- Q&A







"Datifex will revolutionize our safety practices while improving our operational output"

Commander Meredith FMF Cape Breton Royal Canadian Navy



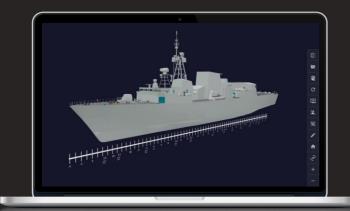




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Harbour & Dockyard Operations



Complex Asset Management

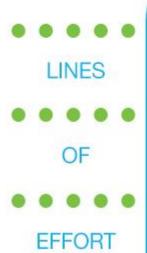


Training, Certification, & Classification



Objective:

HPA is focused to be postured to sustain 24/7 monitored Port Operations



PMIS "Port Control" installation

Develop HR Job Description for POC Operator

Develop POC Operator Procedures, Battle Rhythm & Establish Delegation of Authorities

Access to current active and passive sensors thru Non-HPA Partners ie; radar, Web based & VHF AlS, e-Chart Display, bridge sensors, e-tides and currents etc;

SAAB PMIS training and Port Operations Indoctrination Training to new Staff

Determine level of Technical Support for 24/7 Operations

Centre of Gravity

Port Control SAAB PMIS Operational

DHM POC
 Directives &
 Procedures

Data Fusion

Trained Staff

End State:

Optimized 24/7 Port Operations Centre



Homepage

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Use the buttons below to link to the dashboards

Activities

Movements

In Port

Dangerous Goods

Tidal Predictions

PSA Vessel Schedule

O Special Weather Warning in Effect

Check Weather Warning

Current Weather: Halifax Updated at: 9/23/2025 12:00:00 PM

Temperature (°C)

Visibility (km)

19.6

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Wind Speed (km/h)

Mostly Cloudy

19

Wind Gust | Wind | Direction

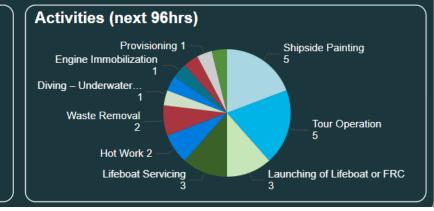
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Pressure (kPa)

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Vessel Movements (next 96hrs)

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| Poseidon Barge | B29 | 11/11/2025 12:00:00 | | | | | | | | | |
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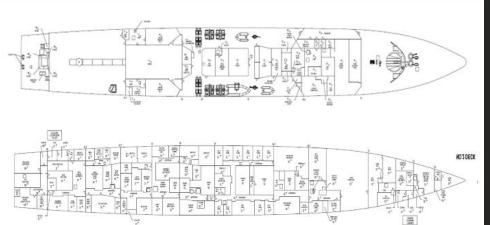
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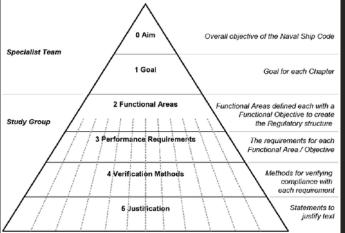


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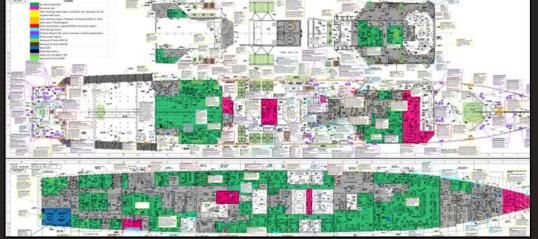


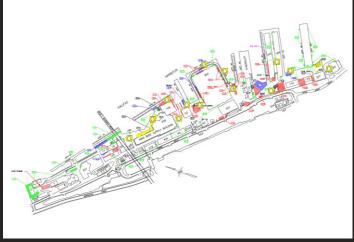
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| 8 | 1000 Hour Oil Change on Ammonia Compressors | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | Annual Alignment Check of Ammonia Compressors | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Annual Inspection of Ammonia Compressor Trips | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 2.5 | Annual Ammonia Refrigeration Safety Inspection | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Annual Ammonia Engine Room Safety Equipment TestingInspection (Exhaust fan, alarms, PPE, Emergency lighting, etc.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1.5 | Vibration Monitoring Surveilance and Posting | | | | | | | | | | | 2 | S | | | |
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Creating the Venue: Halifax Harbour

- Developed an interactive 3D model of Halifax Harbour, covering terminals, berths, anchorages, and infrastructure for real-world operational accuracy.
- Provided intuitive navigation (zoom, pan, tumble, select) and saved camera views for efficient situational awareness.
- Integrated geospatial data (QGIS, NSHN, CHS) and satellite imagery to ensure precise terrain and coastline representation.
- Enabled users to upload KMZ files for custom operational zones, supporting dynamic evaluation and monitoring.
- Scalable platform design allows rapid deployment to additional ports (e.g., Port Saint John, Esquimalt Harbour).

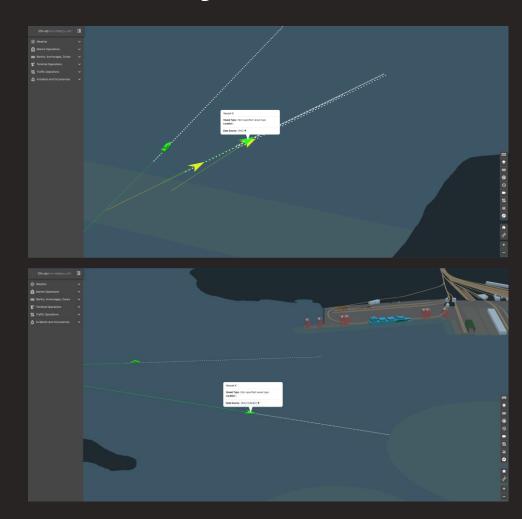






Tracking the Objects: Unified Harbour Activity

- The goal is fused AIS, radar, and computer vision data for real-time and historical vessel tracking, enhancing visibility of both large and small vessels.
- Integrated Port Information Management System for live scheduling, berth assignments, and operational context.
- Visualized environmental data (wind, wave, tide, temperature) from multiple sources directly in the harbour scene.
- Incorporated live camera feeds and automated status updates for assets (cranes, vessels, sensors).
- Supported forensic review and incident analysis with historical playback and event logs.





Tracking Vessels: Computer Vision

- Camera Deployment: Three Hanwa XNV-9082R cameras are currently installed—one at Shed 26 and two at NSCC Ivany Campus—with a fourth pending installation at the Halifax Ferry Terminal.
- Deep Vision's Autonomous Maritime Persistent Surveillance (AMPS)
 Capabilities: AMPS can run on edge devices or process data
 centrally if the video stream meets required frame rate and bitrate thresholds.
- Detection Output: Each frame generates a structured JSON payload containing vessel metadata including latitude/longitude, Speed over Ground (SoG), and Course over Ground (CoG).
- Confidence Visualization: Tracks visualized in OneHarbour and those with lower confidence (e.g., computer vision) are rendered in yellow, indicating uncertainty in classification or tracking continuity.
- Current Status: The system is in the footage recording and algorithm testing phase. Live testing is pending final network connectivity to enable real-time data flow and alerting.



View from PTZ Camera at Shed 26



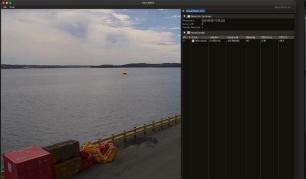


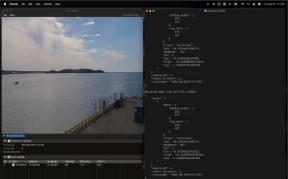
South Camera at NSCC

North Camera at NSCC





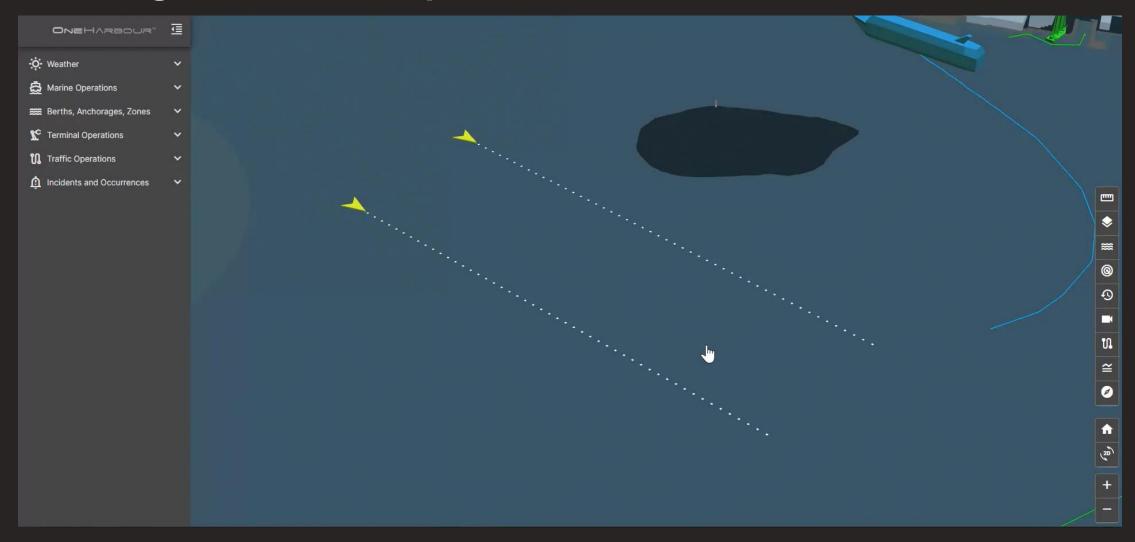








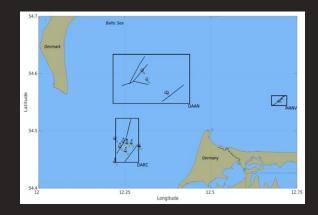
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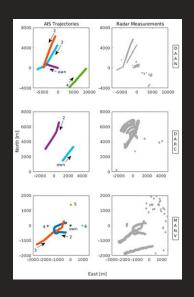


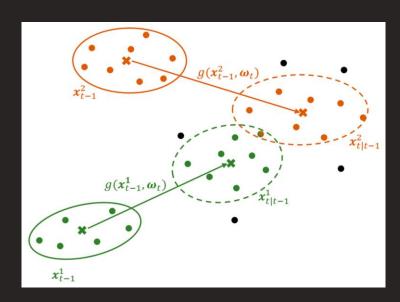
Tracking Vessels: Radar

- Raw radar detections were received in JSON format (polarMeas.json), containing range and azimuth values per time step.
- Datifex converted polar coordinates to Cartesian (East/North) to enable spatial clustering and visualization.
- Applied DBSCAN clustering to identify vessel-like blobs and filter out noise such as sea clutter.
- Calculated cluster metrics (centroid, radius, density) and matched clusters to AIS data from reference.csv to label known vs unknown targets.
- Final output was saved in processed_radar_data.json, ready for playback, visualization, and tracking analysis.











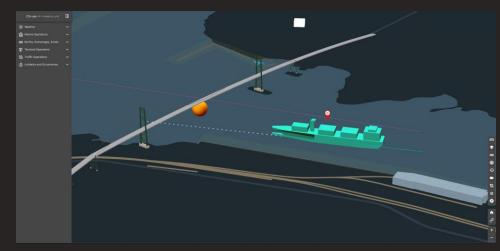
Synthesizing the Data: AIS, Computer Vision, and Radar

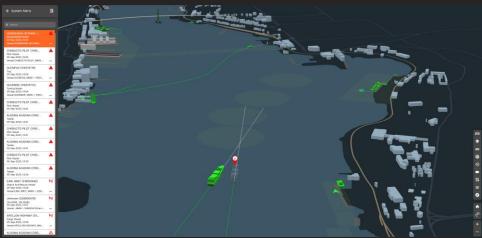




Applying the Logic: Automated Alerts

- Implemented event-driven logic for vessel location confidence, unauthorized movements, AIS signal loss, and restricted zone intrusions.
- Automated High Air Draft Vessel (HADV) bridge transit alerts using real-time calculations of air gap, tide, and vessel dimensions.
- Deployed predictive collision detection using real-time vessel data, spatial calculations, and dynamic safety zones.
- Real-time environmental condition alerts (wind >35 knots, wave >2m) linked to sensors and vessels for operational safety.
- All alerts and events are logged, searchable, and exportable for reporting and compliance.

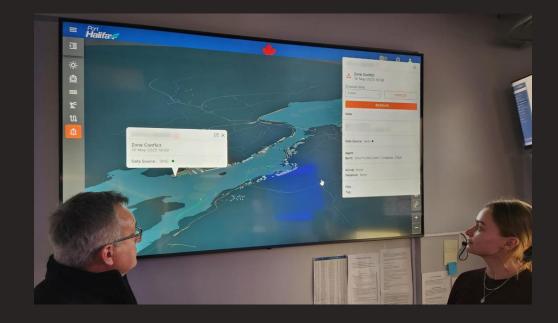






Lessons Learned and Best Practices

- Spent extended time with OPCEN Officers and Coordinators to capture direct user feedback and benchmark against industry tools for continuous improvement.
- Built cross-agency data-sharing agreements with Government of Canada departments and security stakeholders to enable collaboration and broader adoption.
- Identified absence of unclassified radar data in Canada as a barrier to testing, innovation, and operational integration.
- Treated hardware deployment as both a technical and relationshipbuilding process to ensure long-term access and reliability.
- Showcased how collaboration across companies and technologies creates a scalable model for real-time operational awareness.







Phase 2 & Further Development

- Providing increased visibility into operations while vessels are alongside
- Access to real-time radar data, partnering for multi-sensor fusion
- Minor capital project implementation with Royal Canadian Navy
- In discussion with PIMS providers, Port Nanaimo and Port Vancouver
- Expressed interest from Canadian Coast Guard and Parks Canada

