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"Digitalization in Ports & Maritime Industry"



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Before joining Port of Antwerp International in 2017 Nico has been a key member of the strategic development department of the Antwerp Port Authority since 2004. He proved to be instrumental in various projects regarding the allocation and design of PPP projects based on the landlord port management model in the Port of Antwerp. As an investment policy advisor he was involved in the development of the business plan 2015-2020 for the Antwerp Port Authority. In this plan the role of the port as a Community Builder and the ambition to become a 'Smart Port of the Future' were on top of the agenda.

After his transfer to PAI/APEC he accrued international experience in greenfield port developments and commercial strategies in both public and private ports. Together with a team of international experts Nico is expanding the knowledge on digitization beyond the own port community, by supporting other ports in their digital transformation and integration into the global digital ecosystem.

Nico obtains a practical organizational know-how in all his projects and as Regional Coordinator for North Africa he gained an in depth knowledge of the region based on a trusted network.