



# Smart Rivers 2025

Celebrating the World's Navigable Rivers

8-12 September 2025

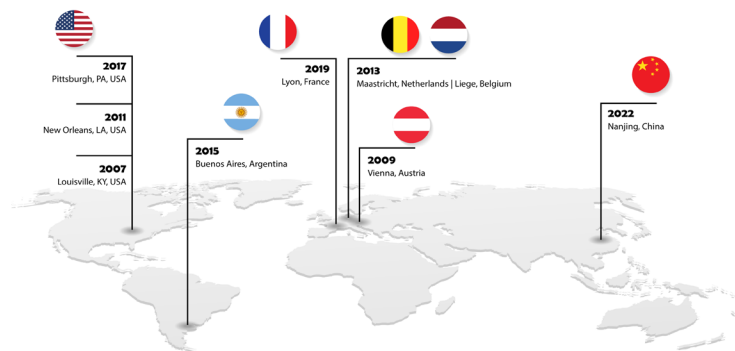
Memphis, Tennessee, USA

Hosted by PIANC USA

## CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The PIANC-sponsored Smart Rivers conference began in 2007 with the need for a venue to share best practices and innovative technologies among inland waterways navigation practitioners and researchers.

Smart Rivers 2025 will amplify this legacy of enrichment through its highly-regarded and unique technical sessions, plenaries, keynote speakers and technical tours. The venue and the programming are designed to maximize learning and foster networking for all participants. This year's conference will celebrate industry innovations, best design principles, and sustainable and resilient solutions, while also shining a light on the history, culture and communities that have shaped the success of our inland waterway systems.



### Technical Sessions

Pick and choose sessions based on your interests.



### Technical Tours

Participate in land- and water-based site tours.



### Short Courses

Dive deep on engaging topics with experts presenters.



### Keynote Speakers

Gain new insights from international thought leaders.

## KEY DATES

30 JUN  
2024

Call for  
Abstracts  
Opens

1 DEC  
2024

Call for  
Abstracts  
Closes

1 DEC  
2024

Early  
Registration  
Opens

28 FEB  
2025

Notification  
of Abstract  
Acceptance

30 JUN  
2025

Papers  
Due

30 JUN  
2025

Hotel  
Reservation  
Deadline

8-12 SEP  
2025

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## CONFERENCE LOCATION

### Memphis, Tennessee, USA

Memphis's unique position in the Mississippi River watershed makes it a perfect location for Smart Rivers 2025. The 5<sup>th</sup> largest inland port in the United States, the Port of Memphis transports over 10 million tons and generates nearly \$10 million in economic impact annually. Not to mention the city's robust culture and countless amenities for visitors! From exploring the "birthplace of rock'n'roll" to glimpsing into our nation's recent past at the National Civil Rights Museum – and capping it all off with some Memphis-style barbeque – this glamorous city offers something for everyone.

### Renasant Convention Center

Smart Rivers 2025 will be hosted at the Renasant Convention Center in downtown Memphis. The Renasant is ideally suited for global, collaborative events such as Smart Rivers. It offers a spacious, newly renovated conference area and exhibit hall and features modern amenities, all at an unbeatable location right on the Mississippi River.

## CONFERENCE HOST PIANC USA

PIANC is a worldwide non-political and non-profit organization that convenes international experts to deliver industry-shifting technical reports on all aspects of sustainable waterborne transportation infrastructure. PIANC USA was organized as a national section of PIANC in 1902. PIANC USA members, comprised of individuals and U.S.-based local, national, and international organizations, work together with participating members from over 75 countries to address policy, engineering, and environmental issues for the advancement of waterborne transportation.



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