

# A PORT DISRUPTED... THE FUTURE ROLE OF PORTS

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## **ABSTRACT**

Welcome to the VUCA world! In a **V**olatile, **U**ncertain, **C**omplex and **A**mbiguous world, where change is the only constant; disruption is the order of the day and business unusual is the new normal. The Ports industry has not been spared. A port disrupted, is a thought leadership piece that advances views on the impact of global trends on ports such as the Forth Industrial Revolution, Maritime Fleet Development and Modernization, Global Supply Chain Organization, Geopolitics and Port Economics. This paper offers thoughts on whether South African ports are future proof and ideas on how they should evolve and respond to these disruptive trends.