

# Biography

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Biography	<p>Dr. Noel Hacegaba is the Chief Operating Officer of the Port of Long Beach, North America's second-busiest container port. He is responsible for managing the Port's day-to-day operations, including commercial services, engineering, finance &amp; administration, human resources, planning &amp; environmental affairs and strategic advocacy.</p> <p>In recent years, Dr. Hacegaba led the Port's response to the global supply chain disruptions, directing the Port's Business Recovery Taskforce and coordinating with industry, labor and government partners to keep cargo moving.</p> <p>Dr. Hacegaba is also leading the development of the Port's digital initiative known as the <i>Supply Chain Information Highway</i>, which seeks to close the gap on the lack of visibility and data sharing in goods movement by enabling end-to-end visibility and coast-to-coast connectivity.</p> <p>In total, Dr. Hacegaba has more than 26 years of public and private sector experience spanning a variety of industries. Prior to joining the Port, he managed \$200 million in contracts for a Fortune 500 company.</p> <p>Dr. Hacegaba is a graduate of the University of Southern California (USC), where he earned degrees in economics (BA and MA), business administration (BS) and planning (MPL). He earned his doctorate in public administration from the University of La Verne. Dr. Hacegaba is also a Certified Port Executive (CPE) and earned the Port Professional Executive (PPX) and Port Professional Manager (PPM) professional designations offered through the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA).</p> <p>Dr. Hacegaba serves on the Board of Directors of the Intermodal Association of North America, where he previously presided as Chairman. He also serves as Treasurer of the Coalition for America's Gateways and Trade Corridors Board of Directors, as Chairman of AAPA's Professional Development Board, as Vice Chair of the USC Kendrick Global Supply Chain Institute and on the Boards of the Marine Exchange of Southern California, Containerization and Intermodal Institute and the University of Denver Transportation and Supply Chain Institute.</p>