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PROGRAMME

Procession:	Faculty and Class of 2023
Welcoming Address:	Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez Director, IMLI
Graduation Address:	Mr. Kitack Lim Secretary-General, IMO and Chairman, IMLI Governing Board
Valedictory Address:	LT. Dagoberto Ramon Astudillo (Argentina) on behalf of the students
Presentation of Candidates:	Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja Senior Lecturer/Head of Administration IMLI
IMLI Conferment of Degrees:	Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez Director, IMLI
Presentation of Prizes:	IMO Secretary-General's Prize for Best Dissertation Government of Malta Prize for the Best Maritime Legislation Drafting Project Professor David Attard Prize for Best Performance in the Law of the Sea Transport Malta Prize for Best Performance in Shipping Law Sasakawa Prize for the Best Performing Nippon Foundation Scholar LRF Prize for the Best Performing Lloyd's Register Foundation Scholar Dr. Kofi Mbiah's Prize for the Best Performing African Scholar ITF Seafarers' Trust Prize on Seafarer's Law Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Malta Branch Prize for Best Performance in Maritime Transport Law REMPEC Marine Environment Law Prize CMI Prize for Best Overall Performance

A MESSAGE FROM MR. KITACK LIM
SECRETARY-GENERAL OF IMO AND CHAIRMAN OF THE IMLI GOVERNING BOARD

It is my pleasure to congratulate the class of 2023 on their graduation from this fine institution. It is a day that marks the end of one season and the dawning of another. The International Maritime Organization (IMO), takes enormous pride in the work of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) and assigns immense value to the education and training provided to the many maritime professionals who enrol every year, and we are always overjoyed to see another generation of maritime leaders return to their home countries determined to contribute to the realization of the IMO goals and objectives adding to the Institute's impressive record of producing graduates of great distinction year upon year.

IMLI's efforts to ensure that inclusive and equitable education is exemplary. The number of women in this graduating class is a testament to this fact.

The Institute has equipped so many maritime professionals with the knowledge and skills needed for the benefit of us all. It is a joy to see former graduates at IMO as they apply the skills they have acquired at IMLI when representing their countries and negotiating with international partners. We are sure that this class will be no exception.

Like many IMLI graduates before you, you may one day find yourselves in positions of great responsibility throughout the maritime world. Therefore, I encourage you to dedicate yourselves not only to do well, but to do good. Above all, do not forget our common objective towards delivering healthy and sustainable oceans to future generations.

My heartiest congratulations are extended to Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez who assumed the role of the IMLI Director on 1 August 2022 for his commitment to ensuring that IMLI maintains its legacy and reaches new academic heights. I also acknowledge all the IMLI staff for their commitment and dedication to the education and welfare of the students.

Graduations are a time for celebration and contemplation, of reflecting and looking forward to how this successful period will help in fostering new opportunities for the future. As I congratulate the 34th graduating class, and wish them the best in their endeavours, I am confident that they will follow in the footsteps of their predecessors and will leave their mark in the development, codification and implementation of international maritime law.



Mr. Kitack Lim
Secretary-General, IMO
Chairman, IMLI Governing Board

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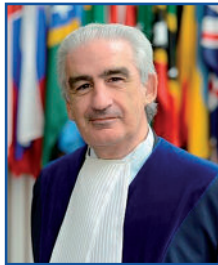
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FACULTY MEMBERS – ACADEMIC YEAR 2022 – 2023



Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Honduras)
Lic. (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Honduras)
LL.M. (IMLI)
Ph.D. (IMLI)
Advocate (Honduras)
Director



Judge Professor David J. Attard (Malta)
LL.D. (University of Malta)
D. Phil. (University of Oxford)
Advocate (Malta)
Barrister-at-Law (London)
Professor of Public International Law and the Law of the Sea



Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Albania)
Jurist (Ethniko kai Kapodistriako University of Athens)
LL.M. (IMLI)
Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration



Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Sierra Leone)
B.A. (University of Sierra Leone)
LL.B. (University of Sierra Leone)
LL.M. (IMLI)
Barrister-at-Law and Solicitor
Lecturer



Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (the United Kingdom / Poland)
LL.B. (University of Warsaw)
LL.M. (University of Warsaw)
Ph.D. (University of Warsaw)
The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law



Dr. Sanjeet Ruhel (India)
LL.B. (Hemvati Nandan Bahuguna Garhwal University)
LL.M. (Indian Law Institute)
Ph.D. (University of Delhi)
Advocate (India)
The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on International Maritime Security Law



Dr. Murat Sümer (Türkiye)
LL.B. (Ankara University)
LL.M. (Ankara University)
LL.M. (IMLI)
Ph.D. (Maastricht University)
Advocate (Türkiye)
The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law



Dr. Rafael Prado (Brazil)
LL.B. (Communitarian University of Joinville Region)
LL.M. (University Rovira i Virgili)
Ph.D. (University of Barcelona)
Advocate (Brazil and Portugal)
The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on Global Ocean Governance

IMLI VISITING FELLOWS - ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-2023

Mr. Charles Abela (Malta)

Senior Project Officer for International Relations, European Maritime Safety Agency
“Port Security and Facilitation”

Mr. Julián Abril García (Spain)

Head of Facilitation, IMO
“Benefits of Maritime Trade Facilitation for the Port States”
“Introduction to the IMO Facilitation Convention on International Maritime Traffic and Its Annex”

Professor XXX Ademuni-Odeke (Uganda/the United Kingdom)

Professor of International Commercial and Maritime Law and Policy; Founder, Special Advisor to & Lead Researcher, National Centre for the Sea and Maritime Law (DEHUKAM)
“Somali Piracy – The Prerequisite for State Criminal Jurisdiction over Pirates Under UNCLOS 1982”

Captain Moïn Ahmed (Bangladesh)

Special Envoy of the Minister for Shipping, Government of Bangladesh
“Regulatory Oversight of Certain Satellite Communication Systems and Coordination of the LRIT System”

Professor Pinar Akan (Türkiye)

Head of the Maritime Law Department, Marmara University
“Containerization from Freight to Demurrage”

Professor Ignacio Arroyo (Spain)

Attorney-at-Law and International Arbitrator
“Unification of Maritime Law Through International Conventions”
“Talks with Professor Arroyo”

Dr. Felicity Grace Attard (Malta)

Lecturer on International Law, Faculty of Laws, University of Malta

“The Duty to Render Assistance at Sea: Contemporary Legal Response Strategies”

Mr. Robert Ashdown (the United Kingdom)

Secretary General, International Association of Classification Societies (IACS)
“The Role of the International Association of Classification Societies”

Dr. Paula Bäckdén (Sweden)

Lawyer, President of the Swedish Maritime Law Association
“The Carrier’s Liability under the Rotterdam Rules – A Comparison with the Hague-Visby Rules”

Mr. David Baker (the United Kingdom)

Member of IGP&I Secretariat; International Group’s accredited representative and head of delegation to the IMO and the IOPC Funds on general pollution matters
“P&I Clubs and their Important Role in the Compensatory Regime”

Dr. Rosalie Balkin AO (Australia)

Secretary-General, Comité Maritime International
“IMO and Global Ocean Governance”

Professor Pieter Bekker (the Netherlands)

Partner, International Arbitration & Energy teams/
Head, CMS Investment Arbitration Task Force
“Maritime Limits and Boundaries: Delimitation Workshop”

Ms. Hassiba Benamara (Canada)

Economic Affairs Officer, UNCTAD
“Port Traffic and Maritime Transport in the Era of Pandemics”

Mr. Marco Benatar (Belgium)

Legal Officer, ITLOS
“Limitations and Exceptions Under Part XV Section 3 UNCLOS”

Mr. Branko Berlan (Croatia)

ITF Accredited Representative to IMO
“The Contribution of ITF to the Work of IMO for the Protection of the Seafarers”

Dr. Augustín Blanco-Bazán (Argentina)

International Lawyer, Consultant and Lecturer specializing in Maritime Law and Law of The Sea
“The IMO: Working within the UNCLOS Framework and Global Ocean Governance”

Professor Daniel Bodansky (the United States of America)

Regents’ Professor, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University
“Ocean and Climate Change Law”

Dr. Buba Bojang (the Gambia)

Legal Officer, Development Law Service, FAO Legal Office
“FAO International Fisheries Law and Ensuring Responsible Fisheries”

Professor Simone Borg (Malta)

Malta’s Ambassador for Climate Action; Chair of the National Climate Action Board; Professor, Head of Department Environmental Law and Resources Law

“The International Regulatory Framework on Climate Change”

Professor Fiammetta Borgia (Italy)

Associate Professor of International Law at the University of Rome “Tor Vergata” and at European University of Rome

“The Role of Non-Governmental Organizations and Multinational Corporations in International Law”

Mr. Jeff Bray (the United States of America)

Acting Chief of Maritime and International Law at Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington DC
“The U.S. Coast Guard’s Legal Framework for Operations”

Judge Kathy-Ann Brown (Jamaica)

Judge, ITLOS

“International Dispute Settlement”

Professor Christian Bueger (Denmark)

Professor, International Relations, University of Copenhagen/A Director of the SafeSeas Network on Maritime Security
“The Role of the EU in Global Maritime Security”

Judge Oscar Cabello Sarubbi (Paraguay)

Judge, ITLOS
“Advisory Opinion on Fishing in The EEZ of Other States (Case No. 21)”

Dr. Matthew Camilleri (Malta)

Senior Fisheries Officer, Leader, Global and Regional Processes (Fisheries), Secretary, Agreement on Port State Measures/FAO
“Transshipment Guidelines and Practices for Sustainable Fisheries”

Judge Ida Caracciolo (Italy)

Judge, ITLOS
“Management of the Case: Identification of Legal Advisors, Creation of Legal Team, Coordination of the Team, Appointment of Agents”

Professor Laura Carballo Piñeiro (Spain)

Professor of Private international Law and Dean of the Faculty of International Relations at University of Vigo

“Maritime Labour Standards: COVID-19 Challenges for the Port States”

Mr. Andrew Chamberlain (the United Kingdom)

Partner at Holman, Fenwick & Willan
“Law of Salvage”

Professor Aldo Chircop (Malta)

Professor of Law / Former Canada Research Chair in Maritime Law & Policy (Tier I), Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University
“Canadian Arctic Shipping: Rethinking the Role of Maritime Governance to Include Indigenous Peoples”

Dr. Kai-Dieter Classen (Germany)

Deputy Director, External Affairs Division, Senior Legal and Policy Advisor, Hamburg Port Authority

“The Green Ports Concept – Selected Public Policies for Greening Ports”

Dr. Heike Deggim (Germany)

Director, Maritime Safety Division, IMO
“Role and Achievements of IMO’s Maritime Safety Division”

Ms. Chiara Della Mea (Italy)

Senior Claims Manager, IOPC Funds
“The Fund Conventions and their Contribution to Adequate Compensation in Case of Pollution Incidents”

Mr. Arsenio Domínguez (Panama)

Director, Marine Environment Division, IMO
“Role and Achievements of IMO’s Marine Environment Division”

“Inaugural Address of the IMLI Course on the Protection of the Marine Environment and Ocean Governance”

Professor Peter Ehlers (Germany)

Former President of the German Maritime and Hydrographic Agency
“Use of and Threats to the Oceans”
“What has already been done for Sustainable Ocean Governance?”
“What needs to be done for Sustainable Ocean Governance?”

Mr. Paul Falzon (Malta)

International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) Inspector
“Abandonment – A Stark Reality”

Professor Michael G. Faure (Belgium)

Academic Director, Maastricht European Institute for Transnational Legal Research (METRO), Professor of Comparative and International Environmental Law, Academic Director of Ius Commune Research School, Maastricht University

“Criminal Liability for Oil Pollution Damage: An Economic Analysis”

Dr. Ann Fenech (Malta)

President, Comité Maritime International
“General Characteristics of a Maritime Lawyer”
“The Role of the Maritime Practitioner”
“Judicial Sale of Ships Convention and the CMI”

Dr. Stefano Filletti (Malta)

Leading Partner, Filletti & Filletti Advocates / Honorary Consul, Republic of Ecuador in Malta
“The Prevention of Marine Pollution & Protection of the Marine Environment”

Ms. Martina Fontanet Solé (Spain)

Technical officer, Facilitation Section, Maritime Safety Division, IMO
“Digitalization of the Ship-Port Interface”
“IMO Guidelines for the Prevention and Suppression of the Smuggling of Wildlife on Ships Engaged in International Maritime Traffic”

Ambassador Vanessa Frazier (Malta)

Permanent Representative of Malta to the United Nations
“The Role of The Security Council in maintaining International Maritime Peace”

Dr. Gotthard Gauci (Malta)

Lecturer in Maritime Regulation and Policy, Plymouth Business School, Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Business
“Liability and Compensation in Case of Bunker Oil Pollution”

Professor Philippe Gautier (Belgium)

Registrar, International Court of Justice (ICJ)
“Treatment of Evidence and Expert Witness”
Mr. Mourad Ghorbel (Tunisia)

Maritime Port Security Expert, Maritime Safety Division, IMO

“IMO’s Perspective on Cybersecurity in the Maritime Domain”

“Maritime and Port Security Threats”
“International Ship and Port Facility Security: Security Responsibilities of Government and their National Authorities”

Ms. Gillian Grant (Canada)

Chair of the IMO Legal Committee
“Issues Affecting Ports at IMO Legal Committee”

Dr. Mitja Grbec (Slovenia)

Secretary-General, Maritime Law Association of Slovenia
“Liability and Compensation Regimes in Case of Oil Pollution”

Dr. Omar Grech (Malta)

Director, Centre for the Study and Practice and Conflict Resolution and Senior Lecturer, Department of International Law, Faculty of Laws, University of Malta

“Introduction to International Human Rights”
“Human Rights at Sea”

Mr. William Griffiths (the United Kingdom)

Technical Officer, Marine Environment Division, IMO

“Oil and Chemical Pollution Response – The International Regulatory Framework and a Review of Recent Incidents”

Dr. Patrick J.S. Griggs CBE (the United Kingdom)

Former President, Comité Maritime International
“Making Maritime Law - Do Conventions Work?”
“The 1980s - A Decade of Disasters on Land, in the Air and at Sea”

Dr. Antoine Grima (Malta)

Head of Department and Lecturer, Environmental & Resources Law, Faculty of Laws, University of Malta

“Sea Level Rise, Ocean Governance and International Security Implications”

Professor Douglas Guilfoyle (Australia)

Professor of International Law and Security, UNSW Canberra
“The Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts Against the Safety of Maritime Navigation and 2005 Protocols”

Mr. Fredrick Haag (Sweden)

Head of the Office for the London Convention/ Protocol and Ocean Affairs, IMO
“Protection of the Marine Environment from Dumping of Waste and Other Matter”

Mr. Omar Hassenin (Morocco)

Acting Head, Member State Audits, Department of Member State Audit and Implementation Support, IMO
“Member State Audit and Implementation Support”

Judge Tomas Heidar (Iceland)
Vice-President, ITLOS
“The Delimitation of The Continental Shelf Beyond 200 Nautical Miles”
“The Contribution of ITLOS to the Protection of the Marine Environment”

Dr. Axel Henriksen (Germany)
Lawyer and Certified Specialist in Commercial and Corporate Law
“Ship Building Contracts: A Practical Perspective”

Ms. Katie Higginbottom (the United Kingdom)
Head of ITF Seafarers’ Trust
“Unsung Heroes: Seafaring during the Covid-19 Pandemic and Beyond”

Mr. Steven Hill (the United States of America)
Executive Secretary of the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law
“Maritime Terrorism and Use of Force at Sea”

Dr. Ximena Hinrichs Oyarec (Chile/Germany)
Registrar, ITLOS
“Jurisdiction of the Tribunal”
“Consultation and Identification of the Judicial Body”
“Relations between ITLOS and State Parties”

Mr. Roel Hoenders (the Netherlands)
Head of Air Pollution and Energy Efficiency, Marine Environment Division, IMO
“Protection of the Marine Environment from Ships Emissions”

Judge Albert Hoffmann (South Africa)
President, ITLOS
“Inaugural Address of the IMLI Course on Peaceful Settlement of Maritime Disputes and Delimitation of Maritime Boundaries”

Dr. Jan Hoffmann (Germany)
Deputy Secretary-General, Chief, Trade Logistics Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD
“Container Ports: Connecting and Competing”

Judge Maria Teresa Infante Caffi (Chile)
Judge, ITLOS
“Presenting before International Courts and Tribunals: A Practitioner’s Perspective”

Dr. Yurika Ishii (Japan)
Associate Professor, National Defense Academy of Japan
“Trafficking of Illicit Drugs and Arms”

Mr. Måns Jacobsson (Sweden)
Former Director and Chief Executive Officer of the International Oil Pollution Compensation Funds (IOPC Funds), Academic Lecturer and Consultant in Maritime and Environmental Matters
“Global Ocean Governance and the IMO Liability Conventions and their Origin”
“The Bunkers Convention and the Wreck Removal Convention”
“The HNS Convention and its 2010 Protocol”
“Law-making through Intergovernmental Organisations; Implementation and Application of Treaties”

“The Interrelationship between Maritime Liability Conventions”

Mr. Vladimír Jares (Czech Republic)
Director, Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations
“United Nations and Ocean Governance – The Present and the Future”

Professor Henning Jessen (Germany)
Associate Professor of Maritime Law & Policy Specialization, WMU
“Seminar on Maritime Transport Policy”

Dr. Angeles Jimenez Garcia Carriazo (Spain)
Ramon y Cajal Research Fellow at University of Cadiz
“IMO’s Role in Reducing Sulphur Oxide Emissions from Ships”

Dr. Mathias Jonas (Germany)
Secretary-General, International Hydrographic Organization (IHO)
“International Hydrographic Organization”

Judge Maurice Kanga (Cameroon)
Judge, ITLOS
“The Contribution of ICJ to the Development of the Law on Settlement of Maritime Disputes”

Professor Atsuko Kanehara (Japan)
Professor of International Law, Sophia University
“Ocean Policies in Wider Contexts”

Mr. Nobukatsu Kanehara (Japan)
Professor of Doshisha University in Kyoto, Japan
“Ocean Policies in Wider Contexts”

Professor Hakan Karan (Türkiye)
Head of Ankara University Maritime Law Department, Former Chair of the Board of Directors of Ankara University National Center for the Sea and Maritime Law (DEHUKAM)
“International Rules of Carriage of Goods by Sea”

Dr. Theofanis Karayannis (Greece)
Head, Marine Biosafety, Marine Environment Division, IMO
“Protection of the Marine Environment from Invasive Aquatic Species in Ballast Water”

Ambassador Nancy Karigithu (Kenya)
Special Envoy for Maritime and Blue Economy, Kenya
“Promoting the Blue Economy in Africa - Challenges and Opportunities”

Dr. Mikhail Kashubsky (Australia)
Associate Professor and Higher Degrees by Research (HDR) Coordinator at the Centre for Customs and Excise Studies (CCES), Charles Sturt University and Head of Secretariat of the International Network of Customs Universities (INCU)
“International Regulatory Framework for the Protection of Offshore Oil and Gas Installations”

Professor Stuart B. Kaye (Australia)
Director and Professor of Law, Australian National Centre for Ocean Resources & Security, University of Wollongong

“Enforcement Cooperation in Combating Illegal and Unauthorized Fishing”

Mr. Andrew Kennedy (the United Kingdom)
Lloyd’s Register’s Global Head of Dispute Resolution and Compliance
“The Legal Position of Marine Classification Societies”

Mr. Frederick Kenney (the United States of America)
Director, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, IMO
“Inaugural Lecture: Maritime Governance at IMO: History, Functions and Structure”
“Treaty Making Process at IMO”

Ms. Lamia Kerdjoudj-Belkaid (France)
Secretary General of FEPORT
“The Relationship between Shipowners and Ports”

Ms. Kiran Khosla (the United Kingdom)
Principal Legal Director of the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS)
“The Consistent Application of the IMO Conventions on Liability and Compensation for Ship Sourced Pollution”

Judge Dr. Kriangsak Kittichaisaree (Thailand)
Judge, ITLOS
“Legality of Enforcement Activities at Sea (Cases No. 2, 19, 24 And 25)”

Professor Natalie Klein (Australia)
President of the Australian Branch of the International Law Association
“International Legal Regime Relating to Underwater Maritime Autonomous Vehicles”

Professor James Kraska (the United States of America)
Chairman and Charles H. Stockton Professor of International Maritime Law Stockton Center for International Law, U.S. Naval War College
“Inaugural lecture of the IMLI Course on International Maritime Security Law”
“The Right of Approach and Visit”

Ms. Tatjana Krilic (Croatia)
Acting Head, Department for Member State Audit and Implementation Support, IMO
“The Role of IMO in developing Port State Control Measures”

Judge Markiyau Kulyk (Ukraine)
Judge, ITLOS
“Advisory Proceedings”

Ms. Sakura Kuma (Japan)
CEO, APM Terminals Japan
“The Automation at Container Terminals and Decarbonization”

Mr. Michael W. Lodge (the United Kingdom)
Secretary-General of the International Seabed Authority
“The International Seabed Authority”

Dr. Dorota Lost-Sieminska (Poland)
Deputy Director/Head, Legal Affairs Office, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, IMO
“IMO Treaties: From Adoption to Amendment”

“Implementing IMO Instruments”

Lt. Col. (Retd) Andrew Mallia (Malta)
Independent SAR & Maritime Security Consultant
“Cybersecurity Measures for Ports”

Mrs. Maja Markovčić-Kostelac (Croatia)
Executive Director, European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)
“EMSA in Support of the EU Environmental Agenda”

Professor Robert McLaughlin (Australia)
Australian National University, Canberra
“Use of Force by the Private Maritime Security Guards and Vessel Protection Detachments against Suspected Pirates”

H.E. Dr. Ugo Mifsud Bonnici (Malta)
President Emeritus, Republic of Malta
“Introduction to Comparative Law”
“Comparative Law: Classification and Differentiations”
“Comparative Law: The Mainstream of Law in the West”
“The Specific Nature of The Anglo-Saxon Common Law System”

Ms. Carmen Mifsud (Malta)
Senior Officer Compliance & Enforcement, Environment & Resources Authority
“UN Regular Process for Global Reporting and Assessment of the State of the Marine Environment”

Professor Alina Miron (Romania)
Professor of International Law at the University of Angers
“Preparation of Oral Pleadings: Oral Advocacy and Presentation of the Case”

Minister Fernanda Millicay (Argentina)
Permanent Representative of Argentina to the IMO
“The New Agreement on Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction”

Ms. Liliana Monsalve (Colombia)
Deputy Director/Head Claims Department, IOPC Funds
“The Fund Conventions and their Contribution to Adequate Compensation in Case of Pollution Incidents”

Dr. David Nanopoulos (France/Greece)
Chief, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations
“Treaty Law and Practice: The UN Treaty Section’s Contribution to the International Treaty Framework”

Ambassador Namira Negm (Egypt)
Director of the African Migration Observatory “Africa’s Integrated Maritime Strategy”

Mr. Bent Nielsen (Denmark)
Retired Danish Maritime Lawyer, Member *Honoris Causa*, Comité Maritime International
“General Average”

Ms. Federica Ninni (Italy)
Lawyer, Maritime Unit, ILO

“MLC in Practice: Effective Implementation and the Role of the ILO Committee of Experts”

Mr. Yuji Okugawa (Japan)
Policy Officer, IOPC Funds
“The Fund Conventions and their Contribution to Adequate Compensation in Case of Pollution Incidents”

Mr. Jonathan Pace (Malta)
Deputy Director, Subdivision for Programme Management and Coordination, Technical Cooperation Division, IMO
“Seminar on Maritime Transport Policy”

Professor Adriana V. Padovan (Croatia)
Associate Professor, Senior Research Associate, Adriatic Institute, Croatian Academy of Sciences and Arts
“Shipbuilders Insurance”

Judge Jin-Hyun Paik (Republic of Korea)
Judge, ITLOS
“Seabed Disputes Chamber”

Professor Dr. Marko Pavliha (Slovenia)
Professor of Commercial, Transport and Insurance Law, Faculty of Law, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, and Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana
“Marine Insurance”

Professor Raul (Pete) Pedrozo (the United States of America)
Howard S. Levie Chair on the Law of Armed Conflict, Stockton Center for International Law, US Naval War College
“The Right of Hot Pursuit”

Professor Dr. iur. Anna Petrig (Switzerland)
Chair, International Law and Public Law, University of Basel
“Prosecution of Suspected Pirates”
“The Commission of Maritime Crimes with Autonomous Ships: Legal Challenges Ahead”
“The Role of Ad Hoc Judges”

Professor Alexander Proelss (Germany)
Chair in the International Law of the Sea and International Environmental Law, Public International Law and Public Law, University of Hamburg
“Really a Sea Change? – In Search of a Coherent and Consistent Sustainability Approach”

Captain H.A.L. Rincon (Colombia)
Captain, Senior Military Studies Course, Colombian Superior War College
“Latin America”

Professor Henrik Ringbom (Finland)
Professor of Marine Law, Åbo Akademi University/Professor, Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law, University of Oslo
“Mass and Ports”

Professor Maria Helena Rolim (Brazil)
Specialist in Environmental Law and Space Law
“Alien Invasive Species and the Risk they Generate for the Marine Environment”

Ms. Agnes Rydberg (Sweden)

Contract Law Teaching Associate, Chief Examiner on Maritime Dispute Settlement and Assistant Editor of the QMUL SSRN Series, Queen Mary University of London

“Conflict of Treaties”

“Third States and Treaties”

“Termination of Treaties”

“Invalidity of Treaties”

“Principles of State Succession in Respect of Treaties”

“Law of Treaties and Domestic Law / Registration of Treaties and the Role of the Treaty Depositary”

“Interim Obligations in the Law of Treaties”

Professor Tanya Sammut-Bonnici (Malta)

Pro-Rector Strategic Planning and Enterprise, University of Malta, and Joint Editor, Wiley Encyclopaedia of Strategic Management

“Evolution of Cooperation”

Professor Thomas Schoenbaum (the United States of America)

Shefelman Distinguished Professor of Law University of Washington School of Law

“An Introduction to Law of the Sea”

“Peace in Northeast Asia”

Mr. Garth Schofield (the United States of America)

Co-Deputy Secretary-General, Permanent Court of Arbitration

“Annex VII Arbitration”

Mr. Koji Sekimizu (Japan)

Secretary-General Emeritus, IMO

“Keynote Address of the IMLI Course on the Protection of the Marine Environment and Ocean Governance”

Dr. Narinder Singh (India)

Consultant in International Law

“Human Rights and Law Enforcement at Sea”

Captain Gurpreet S. Singhota (India)

Senior Adviser at STM Validation Project and

Former Deputy Director/Head, Operational Safety Section, IMO Maritime Safety Division

“COLREGS: An Overview”

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IMO continues to support IMLI’s funding requirements by annually providing fellowships which are intended for deserving government nominated candidates who wish to pursue post-graduate studies in international maritime law at the Institute. Thanks to this funding the following students were able to receive training at IMLI during the current academic year: Ms. Iymen Bounab (Algeria), Mr. Shannon Anthony Bethel (the Bahamas), Mr. Marcio Alejandro Gutierrez Balderrama (Bolivia), Mr. Jean-Marc Stanislas M’bimbi (Republic of Congo), ENS. Tania Nicole Hernandez Aranda (El Salvador), Ms. Heven Tsegay Sisay (Ethiopia), Ms. Fatma Ali Abdurazak (Kenya), Mr. Abdelnaser Ramdan (Libya), Mr. Abdul Hadi Bin Nordin (Malaysia), Ms. Gabriela Cepeda Olivares (Mexico), Ms. Maša Štampić Mehović (Montenegro), LT. Maria Riva R Villamor (the Philippines), Ms. Emmanuelle Michelle Mary Hoareau (Seychelles), Mr. Abdi Adan Osman (Somalia), Mr. Mohamed Selemami Mpochi (Tanzania), Ms. Corinna Ituaso Laafai (Tuvalu), Ms. Rebecca Cynthia Mutonyi (Uganda), and Ms. Salwa Mohammed Abdulhagor Mohammed (Yemen).

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The Nippon Foundation, through its joint project with IMLI, known as the “Human Resources Development Project for the Advancement of a More Effective Legal Order for the Oceans”, continues to support deserving government nominated fellows. For the academic

year 2022-2023 the following students were selected as fellows under the Project: Mr. Donard Leslie Brown (the Bahamas), Mr. Wilson Salvador (Guinea-Bissau), Mr. Jonathan Arturia St. Aubyn Dwyer (Jamaica), Ms. Jessica Hendra Honggo (Indonesia), Ms. Alyaa Ihsan Abood Al-Sayegh (Iraq), Ms. Mercy Afandi Olando (Kenya), Ms. Laura Ambe Spira (Kenya), LT. Fiona B. Elumba (the Philippines), Mr. Martin Maada George (Sierra Leone), Mr. Abdulahi Mohamed Abdulahi (Somalia), Mr. Mohammed Sheha Mohammed (Tanzania), Ms. Rachel Cosmas Tulli (Tanzania) and Ms. Elisiva V. Veiongo’ Akau’ola (Tonga).

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THE INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT WORKERS’ FEDERATION (ITF) SEAFARERS’ TRUST

The International Transport Workers’ Federation (ITF) Seafarers’ Trust has provided funding that allowed maritime professionals from mostly developing States to receive training in the Institute’s LL.M. and M.Hum. programmes. For the current academic year the ITF Seafarers’ Trust provided five fellowships to government nominated officers to pursue training at IMLI. They are Ms. Hania Ahmed Elkady (Egypt), Mr. Eriesson Octave Ié (Guinea-Bissau), Ms. Nour Elias Nohra (Lebanon), Mr. Boetse Abel Ramahlo (South Africa), and Ms. Sharifa Abubakar Khamis (Tanzania).

NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS - IMLI COOPERATION

In 2022, the Government of Malaysia supported IMLI through the provision of two full fellowships. CDR. Anup Padman Parottil (India) and Mr. Markhous Kante (Seychelles) were the beneficiaries. The Government of the Republic of Korea continued to support the studies of government nominated officers. Thanks to its generous funding, LT. COL. Ramzi Allani (Tunisia) and Mr. Mohammed Ali Abdullah Al-Muhandes (Yemen) pursued studies at IMLI for the academic year 2022-2023. Financial assistance was also received by the Government of Nigeria, which enabled the training of three Government Officials, namely Mrs. Chidimma Akumbu Agada (Nigeria), Mrs. Inemotimi Henry-White (Nigeria) and Ms. Olufunmilola Oshadare (Nigeria).

IMLI is also grateful to the Government of Malta for its dedicated support. The Argentine Navy provided one fellowship to LT. Dagoberto Ramon Astudillo (Argentina). The Philippine Coast Guard also provided support through a fellowship whose beneficiary was LCDR. Allan Enrico E. Allano (the Philippines).

INTERNATIONAL GROUP OF P&I CLUBS

The International Group of P&I Clubs, comprising of thirteen P&I Clubs between them, provide marine liability cover (protection and indemnity) for approximately 90% of the world’s ocean-going tonnage. The aim of this Group includes, inter alia, promoting insurance related interests of shipping companies through a unified and collective voice. The Group has been supporting IMLI through fellowships and for this academic year enabled the studies of Mr. Jose Luis Contreras Silva (Mexico).

INTERNATIONAL CHAMBER OF SHIPPING

The International Chamber of Shipping is the global trade association for shipowners and operators which represents the world’s national shipowner associations, and over 80% of the world merchant fleet. A long-standing supporter of IMLI, the Chamber extended its collaboration with the Institute this academic year through the provision of one fellowship to LCDR. Hazeille Goldamae B. Castillo (the Philippines).

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"The Implications of the AES Ocean LNG Ltd. Proposal to the Bahamas: An Analysis of the Legal Framework Regarding the Protection of the Environment in the Bahamas with Specific Focus on the AES Ocean LNG Ltd. Proposal and the Bahamas' Readiness for Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)"* / "A Law to Incorporate the International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in Connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea, 2010 into the Laws of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas and to Provide for the Effective Implementation thereof"***

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"Bolivia and its recent International Dispute Settlements before the International Court of Justice concerning the Waters of The Silala: What are the Implications for the Practice of International Law in Bolivia?"* / "A Law to Incorporate the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007 into Bolivian Legislation and to Provide for the Effective Implementation thereof"***

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“IMO’s Anti-Piracy Initiative in Effectively Implementing UNCLOS Provisions – Lessons for Guinea-Bissau”*** / “A Law to Incorporate the International Convention on Maritime Search and Rescue in Guinea-Bissau and to Provide for its Effective Implementation thereof”***

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Captain Moin Ahmed (Special Envoy of the Minister for Shipping, Government of Bangladesh) and H.E. Mr. Ashud Ahmed Ambassador of Bangladesh to Greece together with the IMLI Faculty



The Hon. Dr. Aaron Farrugia (Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects, Malta) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) cutting the ceremonial ribbon inaugurating the Arvid Pardo Room



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Mr. Arsenio Dominguez (Director, IMO Marine Environment Division) delivering the Inaugural Lecture of the IMLI Course on the Protection of the Marine Environment and Ocean Governance



Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and Dr. Yohei Sasakawa (Chairman, The Nippon Foundation)



Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and Dr. Ann Fenech (President, Comité Maritime International) with IMLI Graduates representing their countries the 110th Session of the IMO Legal Committee



Mr. Kitack Lim (Secretary-General, IMO) receiving the Malta Maritime Award for the Establishment of IMLI from Dr. Aaron Farrugia (Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects, Malta)



Mr. Xiaojie Zhang (Director, IMO Technical Cooperation Division) delivering an online lecture entitled "Role and Achievements of IMO's Technical Cooperation Division"



H.E. Ambassador Ms. Nancy Karigithu (Special Envoy for Maritime and Blue Economy, Kenya) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) together with the IMLI Class of 2022-2023



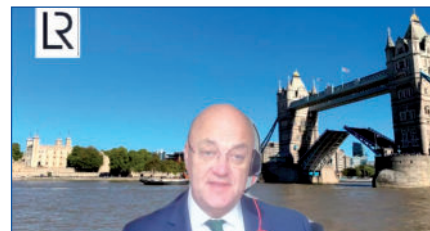
Dr. Cleopatra Doumbia-Henry (President, World Maritime University) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI)



H.E. Mr. Erdeniz Şen, (Ambassador of Türkiye to Malta), Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI), H.E. Ambassador Suat Hayri Aka (Permanent Representative of the Republic of Türkiye to the ICAO) and Dr. Murat Simer (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law)



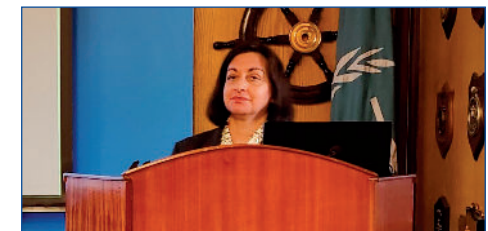
Ms. Katie Higginbottom (Head, ITF Seafarer's Trust) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and in front a plaque commemorating the contribution of the ITF Seafarer's Trust Fund



Mr. Andrew Kennedy (Lloyd's Register's Global Head of Dispute Resolution and Compliance) delivering a lecture on "The Legal Position of Marine Classification Societies"



Mr. David Baker (Member of IGP&I Secretariat; International Group's accredited representative and Head of Delegation to the IMO and the IOPC Funds on general pollution matters) lecturing to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023



Ms. Kiran Khosla (Principal Legal Director, International Chamber of Shipping (ICS)) delivering a lecture entitled "The Consistent Application of the IMO Conventions on Liability and Compensation for Ship Sourced Pollution" to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023



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Dr. Patrick Griggs CBE (Member, IMLI Governing Board) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) together with the IMLI Class of 2022-2023



Professor Dr. Marko Pavliha (Head of Law Department, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, Slovenia, Member, IMLI Governing Board) lecturing on the “Law of Marine Insurance”



Professor Philippe Gautier (Registrar, ICJ), Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and the IMLI Faculty



President Albert Hoffmann (President of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS)) delivering the Inaugural Address of the IMLI Course on Peaceful Settlement of Disputes and Delimitation of Maritime Boundaries



Dr. David Nanopoulos (Chief of the Treaty Section, United Nations Office of Legal Affairs) delivering the Inaugural Lecture of the IMLI Course on the Law of Treaties



Mr. Michael W. Lodge (Secretary-General, International Seabed Authority) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) signing a Letter of Cooperation between IMLI and the ISA



Distinguished Panel of Speakers at the International Seminar on “The Importance of the Law of the Sea in the 21st Century and the Prospect for the Future” held at IMLI



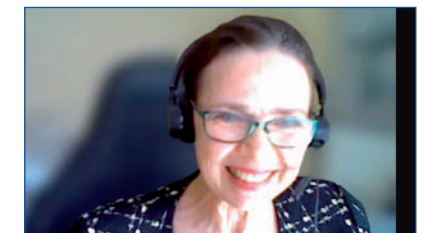
Mr. Mustafa Başkara (Chief Executive Officer, Ankara University National Center for the Sea and Maritime Law (DEHUKAM)) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) signing the Cooperation Protocol renewal between IMLI and DEHUKAM



Ms. Beatriz Vacotto (Head of the Maritime Unit, International Labour Standards Department, International Labour Organization (ILO)) delivering the Inaugural Lecture of the IMLI Course on Seafarer’s Rights



Professor James Kraska (Chairman & Charles H. Stockton Professor of International Maritime Law, Stockton Center for International Law, U.S. Naval War College) delivering the Inaugural Lecture of the IMLI Course on International Maritime Security Law



Ms. Tatjana Krilic (Acting Head, Department for Member State Audit and Implementation Support, International Maritime Organization (IMO)) delivering the Inaugural Lecture of IMLI’s Course on the Law of Ports