

# IMLI<sup>e</sup>-News

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## ***THE NIPPON FOUNDATION CONTINUES TO SUPPORT TRAINING AT IMLI***

The Malta based IMO International Maritime Law Institute and the Nippon Foundation based in Tokyo, Japan, last year launched their *joint “Project for Advancement of a New Legal Order on the World’s Oceans”*. The aim of this common undertaking is to contribute to the promotion, adoption, effective implementation and enforcement of international maritime conventions adopted under the aegis of the United Nations (UN) and of the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and to encourage a greater participation by developing States, particularly Asian, in the major international maritime law conventions and legal instruments. The realization of this project, which is administrated by IMLI, was made possible through the generous contributions of funds by the Nippon Foundation.



*Mr. Yohei Sasakawa (President, Nippon Foundation), greeting the*

*IMLI Class 2003/2004.*

An important feature and integral part of this project is to provide scholarships for deserving lawyers from developing countries, especially from the Asia region, to study at IMLI.

In the past academic year 2003/2004, 9 lawyers from all over the globe, were awarded the Nippon Foundation Scholarship, which allowed them to graduate in international maritime law at the IMO International Maritime Law Institute.

In the current academic year another 9 lawyers, from 8 different countries, are benefiting the Nippon Foundation Scholarship at IMLI.

IMLI Nippon Scholars in the new academic year are:

Mr. Jianbin SHEN	(China)	
Mr. Bin MI	(China)	
Ms. Rusudan TUSHURI	(Georgia)	
Ms. Mi Mi MAW	(Myanmar)	
Mr. Therdchai THANAPONGPORN	(Thailand)	
Mr. Joseph PYAWAN	(Papua	New
Guinea)		
Mr. Juan Carlos RIVERA GARCIA	(Honduras)	
Mr. Berhanykun GHEBRMEDHN GHEBREAMLAK	(Eritrea)	
Mr. Juan Carlos GONZÁLEZ	(Ecuador)	

The Nippon Foundation was founded in 1962 as the Japan Shipbuilding Industry Foundation, a private, non-profit organization devoted to promote shipping and shipbuilding, and to prevent marine hazards. It is one of the largest philanthropic organizations in the world.

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