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IMO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT IMLI'S ACTIVITIES

The IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) was established in 1989, under the auspices of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). IMO is a specialized agency of the United Nations, which is responsible for measures to improve the safety and security of international shipping and to prevent marine pollution from ships. It is also involved in legal matters, including liability and compensation issues and the facilitation of international maritime traffic.



The IMO Secretary General's Prize for IMLI Best Dissertation, 2003/2004, presented by H.E. Mr. Efthimios Mitropoulos to Mr. Majdi Abdullah Khalid Al-Qahtani (Saudi Arabia).

The International Maritime Organization (IMO) has no provision in its regular budget for the support of IMLI, but it has been nonetheless helping the Institute in various manners throughout the years. A very important mean for supporting IMLI's efforts by IMO, is to provide scholarships for deserving lawyers, especially from developing countries, to study at IMLI.

Last year, 8 (eight) students from all over the globe were sponsored by the IMO Technical Cooperation Fund, which allowed them to graduate in international maritime law at the IMO International Maritime Law Institute.

In the current academic year another 6 lawyers, from 6 different States, are benefiting the IMO Scholarship at IMLI.

The IMO Scholars at IMLI in the new academic year are:

1. Mr. Ferdinand Nji Forboroh ANOMAH (Cameroon)
2. Ms. Radwa Salah Eldin Mohamed ELSAMAN ABO-ASHARA (Egypt)
3. Ms. Sandra OPOKU (Ghana)
4. Mr. Ibrahima SY (Senegal)
5. Ms. Faezeh GHOLIZADEH (Iran)
6. Ms. Tatiana SAKSINA (Russia)

The reasons for the establishment of the Institute by IMO are best seen from the words of the Secretary General of the IMO, H.E. Mr. Efthimios Mitropoulos, who in its welcome address to the 16th generation of IMLI students, on the 13th of September 2004, pointed out “ *This Institute (IMLI) was established by IMO to ensure that Governments would have trained maritime legal experts available, who could incorporate the often complex international maritime legal framework of rules, codes and standards into national legislation* ”.

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