

*The United Nations General Assembly, through its latest resolution on oceans and the law of the sea, "recognizes the importance of the work of the International Maritime Law Institute of the International Maritime Organization, as a centre of education and training of government legal advisers, mainly from developing States, confirms its effective capacity-building role in the field of international law, and urges States, intergovernmental organizations and financial institutions to make voluntary financial contributions to the budget of the Institute" (A/RES/70/235 of 2015)*

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES:

### MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M.) IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW

The LL.M. programme, established in 1988, is a specialized post-graduate education in all areas of international maritime law, including law of the sea, marine environmental law, maritime security law, shipping law, and maritime legislation drafting.

Unlike traditional post-graduate programmes, IMLI's LL.M. programme offers a distinctive international study of maritime law. Major legal systems in the world, including the civil and the common law systems, are comparatively analyzed in relation to maritime affairs. An international faculty brings to the classroom the legislative and judicial experience of leading maritime jurisdictions. The programme is also designed to provide training in the drafting of maritime legislation, with emphasis on the techniques for the incorporation and implementation of IMO instruments into domestic legislation.

The programme is addressed mainly to lawyers, legal advisers, judges and legal draftsmen who are seeking specialization in maritime law from an international perspective. The programme is also open to law graduates.

A successful completion of this programme will require students to pass the examination, and undertake legislative drafting and dissertation projects under the guidance of an assigned supervisor. The legislative drafting project allows students to select an IMO or other international convention, relevant to the student's home country, and transpose its provisions into national legislation for its implementation. This may either be done through primary or subsidiary legislation in accordance with the legal requirements of the concerned student's country. The dissertation is an academic researched paper on a chosen area within IMLI's LL.M. curriculum, and relevant to the student's country or chosen career path. The student is expected to register an original contribution to knowledge in his/her dissertation.

So far, IMLI has successfully trained over 700 maritime lawyers from over 130 countries, who are undertaking an important role in shaping the legal framework of their respective countries in line with international law. IMLI alumni are also rendering valuable services to the international community and make the Institute proud of their achievements which include positions such as Head of States, current Chairman of the IMO Legal Committee, Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, Ministers, Attorneys General, and Judges and Magistrates of national courts.

The fee for the self-financed students is set at Euro 23,500 and covers tuition and



services, including most course materials, on-campus IT services, and access to the library. The tuition fees do not include travel or living expenses.

The fee for Government nominated candidates is set at Euro 32,000 and covers tuition and services, including most course materials, accommodation, on-campus IT services, and access to the library. The tuition fees do not include travel expenses.

In order to be enrolled, candidates are required to have their own financing which covers their programme fees and living costs. The Institute cannot offer scholarships but is prepared to seek assistance on behalf of applicants.

**It is noteworthy that a number of donors have agreed to provide full funding for chosen candidates, if they meet their selection criteria.**

**The duration of the LL.M. programme is one academic year.**

Applications are being considered by IMLI for the academic year 2017-2018.

For more information about the programme, please visit <http://www.imli.org/programmes-and-courses/llm-programme>.

### MASTER OF HUMANITIES (M.HUM.) IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LEGISLATION

The M.Hum. is a new post-graduate programme which is opened to candidates who hold an undergraduate degree (in a discipline related to international maritime law) from a recognized university or other academic institution.

The M.Hum. programme is introduced as a response to the needs of IMO Member States to have trained specialists in international maritime legislation drafting. The programme offers training in maritime legislation drafting, with a particular emphasis on the international instruments developed by IMO and their incorporation into domestic law. Intensive drafting exercises are carried out to build the students' drafting skill.

The programme is suitable for qualified professionals working in the maritime field such as maritime administrations, port authorities, or other organizations concerned with maritime affairs.

As a requirement for the completion of the programme, candidates have to successfully complete the drafting of a maritime legislation project and pass examinations in law of the sea and shipping law. They are also required



to complete a research paper presenting a comprehensive and objective assessment of how the candidate's country administers and implements IMO instruments and other internationally agreed maritime legal standards; and proposing a plan of action for the development of national legislation for the effective implementation of such instruments or standards.

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## MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY (M.PHIL.) IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW AND OCEAN POLICY



IMLI and the World Maritime University (WMU) have launched a joint Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) programme in International Maritime Law and Ocean Policy designed to train expert maritime lawyers, immersed in the UN system structure and goals, to advocate sound policies and legislation which will assist in transforming the world's oceans and support their sustainable development. ***This unique two-year programme will commence in 2017.***

The initiative for the M.Phil. Programme stems from the increasing threats to the oceans by human activities and the lack of proper governance of the waters within and beyond the limits of national jurisdiction. The programme recognizes that the current legal and institutional framework for ocean governance is limited in dealing with the emerging challenges never contemplated by the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS).

As a result, the programme has identified that the fragmentation of both legal and institutional framework had led to the adoption of well-intended action occasioning unintended consequences for the oceans. Thus, the need for a new paradigm of ocean governance captured by this initiative is geared towards ensuring the establishment of safe and sustainable ocean governance for the 21st century and beyond, as reiterated in *Goal 14 of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development.*

During the **first year** of the M.Phil. programme, students will attend basic maritime knowledge and ocean policy courses offered at WMU, with a focus on sustainability, governance and management. The **second year** of studies

will be completed at IMLI with courses focusing on international maritime law, including law of the sea, shipping law, marine environmental law, and maritime security law. Completion of the programme will require a successful dissertation on a suitable topic, reflecting the needs of students' home countries.

The programme is open to candidates who hold a degree in law and who are proficient in English. The fee for the programme is set at Euro 37,000 (Euro 18,500 *per annum*) and covers tuition and services, including most course materials, on-campus IT services, and access to the library. The tuition fees do not include travel or living expenses.

**The duration of the M.Phil. programme is two academic years.**

Applications are being considered by IMLI and WMU for the academic year 2017-2018.

For more information about the programme, please visit [http://www.imli.org/sites/default/files/uploads\\_publications/imli\\_alert\\_no.16.pdf](http://www.imli.org/sites/default/files/uploads_publications/imli_alert_no.16.pdf).



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## MASTER'S DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW AND LOGISTICS



In cooperation with Kühne Logistics University (KLU) in Hamburg, IMLI launched in 2016 a Master's Degree programme in International Maritime Law and Logistics (IMLLog). This unique program is designed for maritime professionals, who in addition to a thorough understanding of logistics and maritime operations, wish to learn international maritime law.

The IMLLog programme deals with the challenges of moving goods and people by sea including in situations of humanitarian relief. The teaching of customs procedures, port operations, and international maritime law and its effect on operations at sea, among others, are the main subjects of the programme.

Through this cooperation the two Institutions are responding to the call of governments and the maritime industry around the world who need persons with specialized education in international maritime law, combined with the understanding of the complexities involved in the use of the sea for the transportation of goods and other related uses. Upon completion of the programme, graduates will have in-depth knowledge of shipping law, law of the sea and the international instruments that govern these areas and will be able to assess the financial implications of legal decisions in logistics and to understand how this fast-paced field has become a building block of modern society.

This programme is divided into two parts: international maritime law will



be taught mainly at IMLI, and logistics and leadership courses will be taught mainly at KLU. Graduates in law, business and economics, logistics or related disciplines, whether in private practice, government service, executives/young professionals are most suitable for this programme.

The fee for the programme is Euro 37,000 (Euro 18,500 for each year) and covers tuition and services, including most course materials, on-campus IT services, and access to the library. The tuition fees do not include travel or living expenses.

**The duration of the IMLLog programme is two academic years.**

Applications are being considered by IMLI and KLU for the academic year 2017-2018.

For more information about the programme, please visit <http://www.imllog.org/>.

Interested persons should visit the IMLI website [www.imli.org](http://www.imli.org) or contact the Admissions Officer on [admissions@imli.org](mailto:admissions@imli.org)  
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