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APPLICATIONS FOR THE 18th ANNUAL IMLI MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M.) PROGRAMME

We are glad to inform you that the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) is receiving applications for the 18th Annual Master of Laws (LL.M.) Programme in International Maritime Law to be held from 11th September 2006 to May 2007.



The Institute

IMLI is an international institution dedicated to the training of lawyers in international maritime law, including marine environmental law, law of the sea, shipping law and

legislation drafting. It is a non-profit organization and its policies are formulated by an international Governing Board under the chairmanship of the IMO Secretary-General.

IMLI was established by a statute promulgated by the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and under an agreement concluded between the IMO and the Government of Malta, which offered the premises and other facilities. It is located on the University of Malta campus and began operation in October 1989.

The LL.M. Programme

The Master of Laws (LL.M.) programme in International Maritime Law is open to law graduates already working in a maritime field or in a legal department or law office dealing with maritime matters. The course is also suitable for persons aspiring to undertake a career in maritime law. Unless candidates are in possession of a law degree from a recognized university, their application may not be considered.

The LL.M. course consists of postgraduate training in international maritime law for one full academic year leading to the degree of Master of Laws (LL.M.) in International Maritime Law. It is envisaged that graduates of the Institute will provide the expertise required for the implementation of IMO and other maritime conventions into their respective national legal systems.



Mr. Efthimios Mitropoulos (Secretary – General, IMO) unveiling the plaque commemorating the role of IMLI in "Serving the Rule of International Maritime Law"

The number of admissions is a limited one due to the intensive nature of the course. *In line with the IMO strategy for integration of women into maritime activities, up to fifty per cent of admissions are reserved for women.* To date, the Institute has trained a total of 332 lawyers from 103 different States.

Over the 16-year period since the inception of the Institute, graduates have hailed from the following countries:

Algeria, Angola, Azerbaijan, Bahamas, Bahrain, Bangladesh, Barbados, Benin, Brazil, Bulgaria, Burundi, Cameroon, Cape Verde, China, Colombia, Comoros, Democratic Republic of Congo, Côte-d'Ivoire, Croatia, Cuba, Dominica, Ecuador, Egypt, Estonia, Ethiopia, Fiji, Gambia, Georgia, Ghana, Greece, Grenada, Guatemala, Guyana, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Islamic Republic of Iran, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Kenya, Latvia, Lebanon, Liberia, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Lithuania, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Maldives, Malta, Marshall Islands, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Mozambique, Myanmar, Namibia, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Norway, Pakistan, Palestinian Autonomous Territories, Panama, Papua New Guinea, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Russian Federation, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia and Montenegro, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, Slovenia, Solomon Islands, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Sudan, St. Kitts & Nevis, St. Vincent and the Grenadines, Suriname, Switzerland, Thailand, Togo, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Tunisia, Tuvalu, Uganda, Ukraine, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Vanuatu, Venezuela, Vietnam, Zambia and Zimbabwe

The course is exclusively delivered in English, hence the need for candidates to have a good language proficiency.

Students receive on average $22\frac{1}{2}$ hours of lectures per week. The course requirements include written examinations, a legislative drafting project and a 10,000-word dissertation. A number of field trips are included within the programme.

You may find attached herewith the application packages for nominated and selffinanced candidates including information about the Institute, admissions and application forms.

The said forms may be also downloaded from the Institute's website (<u>www.imli.org</u>) by accessing the following URL links:

http://www.imli.org/application_package_nominated.doc http://www.imli.org/application_package_self.doc

The Institute cannot enroll candidates unless a source of funding is confirmed. The primary responsibility for securing a scholarship lies with the candidate and/or nominating authority. The Institute, however, may assist candidates in finding scholarship funding through donors. It is noteworthy that a number of donors have agreed to provide full funding for chosen candidates, if they meet their selection criteria.

<u>Applications for the 18th annual Master of Laws (LL.M.) Programme in International</u> <u>Maritime Law must be received by no later than 3th March 2006.</u>

The Institute also offers a Ph.D Programme, the Advanced Diploma Programme and various short courses.

Should you need any further information about the Institute, the courses offered or the application procedure, please do not hesitate to contact:

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