

## MORE IMLI LAWYERS EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS

Studying at IMLI provides a unique opportunity to embrace the international nature of maritime law in a multicultural environment under the guidance of renowned professors and lecturers.

In this issue we are focusing again on the views of the lawyers currently studying at IMLI.



Riyaz Mohammed Hamza (Sri Lanka)

Senior State Counsel, Attorney General's Department, Sri Lanka.

"In my view IMLI is unique for the following three reasons.

- 1. It is one of the only master's degrees in maritime law which covers both the public law and private law dimensions of the subject, in such comprehensive detail. Being in the public service, the public law aspect of the Course is of paramount importance to me. However, acquiring knowledge of private shipping law is no doubt beneficial and will further broaden my horizons.
- 2. While the theoretical aspects are covered so thoroughly and efficiently by the panel of in-house lecturers, a wide array of visiting lecturers give us the practical insight into the relevant subject matter as well.
- 3. In addition to a dissertation, the fact that we have to draft a piece of legislation, which could be later incorporated into the legal system of our

respective countries, is also unique-here again we are being encouraged to put into practice the relevant principles of law which we have been acquiring.

It is therefore a true privilege and fortune to be part of IMLI's 17<sup>th</sup> generation of students. This LL.M. will be a lifetime investment for me."



Dr. Arhur Azzopardi (Malta)

Advocate, Office of the Attorney General

"I have been employed with the Office of the Attorney General in Malta for the past ten years and have served both in administrative and legal grades. I am currently an advocate serving in the Office's International Co-Operation in Criminal Matters Division. This Division is soon going to merge with the International Co-Operation in Civil Matters Division. Upon completion of my studies at IMLI, I shall be serving in the Office's new International Law Unit being primarily responsible for maritime affairs. These past few months at IMLI have further strengthened my desire to continue working in the international arena, especially after considering that my current class mates provide not only a source of friendship but also, equally important a network of contacts around the globe."



Victor Egejuru (Nigeria)

Assistant Chief Legal Officer, National Maritime Authority

"Courses in maritime law are offered in some institutions in various parts over the world. However, the international nature of shipping is reflected in the course at IMLI, which is more detailed and facilitated by experts and the participants coming from all off the globe.

*IMLI has offered me an opportunity to shake hands across the oceans with friends that will last for a lifetime.*"



Dr. Adrian Muscat Azzopardi (Malta)

Advocate, Private Practice

"I am a senior partner in a private practice in Malta which focuses on commercial and civil matters, and I am currently reading my Masters at IMLI to be able to expand the scope of services offered by my firm. The IMLI Course so far has proved to be very useful especially in the comparative way in which subjects are thought.

Being a Civil lawyer, the part of the course dealing with common law has provided me with useful information and knowledge, expanding my legal knowledge. IMLI shall therefore undoubtedly prove to be useful for my profession for a number of reasons. My plans after graduation are to focus on building a shipping and international branch in my firm."

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