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20TH GRADUATION CEREMONY

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“Serving the Rule of International Maritime Law”



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PROGRAMME

Procession:	Faculty and Class of 2009
Welcoming Address:	Professor David J. Attard Director, IMLI
Graduation Address:	H.E. Mr. Efthimios E. Mitropoulos Secretary-General, IMO and Chairman, IMLI Governing Board
Valedictory Address:	Ms. Kenia Nottage (The Bahamas) on behalf of the students
Presentation of Candidates:	Mr. Norman A. Martinez Lecturer, IMLI
Conferment of Degrees:	Professor David J. Attard
Presentation of Prizes:	IMO Secretary-General's Prize for Best Dissertation Chairman of the IMO Legal Committee's Prize for Best Performance in Maritime Transport Law Maltese Government Prize for Best Performance in Law of the Sea Malta Maritime Prize for Best Performance in Shipping Law Professor Walter Müller Prize for the Best Maritime Legislation Drafting Project REMPEC Marine Environment Law Prize Sasakawa Prize for the Best Performing Nippon Foundation Scholar Sea Pine Tree Prize for the Best Performing Asian Scholar Neptune Orient Lines Prize for Best Overall Performance

A MESSAGE FROM H.E. MR. EFTHIMIOS E. MITROPOULOS, IMO SECRETARY-GENERAL AND CHAIRMAN OF THE IMLI GOVERNING BOARD

The year 2009 sees the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) celebrate its 20th year in full-scale operation with another class of graduates bidding farewell to this centre of academic excellence, fully equipped with the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in the professional arena.

As they do so, it is appropriate to reflect how, over the years, IMLI has produced a body of expert and qualified maritime lawyers who are now, collectively, making a very positive and valuable contribution in pursuance of the causes espoused by IMO – safe, secure and efficient shipping on clean oceans. In pursuing its noble educational objectives, IMLI has drawn praise from the highest quarters, in resolution 63/111 of the United Nations General Assembly, on Oceans and the law of the sea, which was adopted in December 2008. Not only did this formally recognize the importance of IMLI's work as a centre of education and training, but it also urged States, intergovernmental organizations and financial institutions to make financial contributions to the Institute's budget – a call which I hope will be heeded.

While IMO's principal mission is to develop and maintain a comprehensive framework of international conventions, codes and other legal instruments designed to promote safety, security, efficiency and environmental protection, the real value of the legal instruments it adopts lies in the effectiveness, thoroughness and uniformity of their implementation throughout the world – and an essential element in this is the establishment of an appropriate legal infrastructure at the national level.

Such an infrastructure must embrace an up-to-date legislative regime, with suitable machinery for the review, revision and modification of legislation to keep it in line with changes in international maritime law and the latest developments in marine technology and shipping practices. It is in this that the contribution of IMLI and its graduates has been, and continues to be, so invaluable.

Given the environmental and economic problems the world is currently facing, the significance of international shipping as a cost-effective and 'green' form of transport has never been more marked. Shipping will support the global economy as it eventually recovers and will help to guarantee sustainable prosperity in the future. IMLI graduates will have an important role to play in ensuring this vital industry is effectively and fairly regulated.

May I, therefore, congratulate the graduating class of 2009 and wish them every success in their future endeavours. They join a band of illustrious predecessors, who count ministers of justice, attorneys general, chief justices, ambassadors, chief executives and senior corporate managers among their number. I have no doubt that the 2009 graduates will also be high achievers, whether in their own countries or on the international stage. May I also offer my thanks, once again, to IMLI's many supporters and donors, not least the Government of Malta, without whom none of this would be possible.



*H.E. Mr. Efthimios E. Mitropoulos
IMO Secretary-General*

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Member of the Integrated Bar
(The Philippines)
Assistant Lecturer

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- Dr. Charles Abela** (*Malta*)
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“Facilitation Convention”
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“Regulation of Maritime Transportation and Harbors in the USA and Brazil”
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Professor of Commercial Law, Universidad Autónoma de Barcelona
President of the Spanish Maritime Law Association
“Unification of Maritime Law through International Conventions”
- Mr. Archie Bishop** (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*)
Consultant, Holman, Fenwick & Willan Law Firm
“Law of Maritime Salvage”
- Dr. Philippe Boisson** (*France*)
Communication Director and Legal Adviser, Marine Division, Bureau Veritas
“Introduction to Maritime Safety: Definition, Statistics and Main Actions of the International Maritime Safety Regime”
“The Regulatory Process: International, Unilateral and Regional Safety Regulations”
“Ship Safety, Construction and Equipment (SOLAS, Load Line and MARPOL Conventions)”
“Cargo Safety (General Regulations and Specialized Rules on Maritime Transport of Dangerous Goods)”
“Human Element and Operational Safety (ISM Code and STCW Convention)”
“Control of Ship Safety (Flag State Control and Port State Control)”
“Classification Societies”
- Commissioner Joe Borg** (*Malta*)
European Commissioner for Fisheries and Maritime Affairs
“Making Headway on the Integrated Maritime Policy”
- Prof. Genevieve Bastid Burdeau** (*France*)
University of Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne
“Extended Continental Shelf Issues”
- Rear Admiral Fabio Caffio** (*Italy*)
Italian Navy, Expert of Maritime Law
“The legal regime of the Mediterranean and Black Sea: A historical perspective”
- Mr. Michael Marks Cohen** (*United States of America*)
Counsel, Nicoletti Hornig & Sweeney, New York
“Issues relating to Voyage Charters”
“Issues relating to Time Charters”
- Sir Robert John Coleman** (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*)
Barrister at Law of the Inner Temple, European Liaison Officer of the Baltic and International Maritime Conference and Member of the Administrative Board of the European Maritime Safety Agency
“The EU and Maritime Transport: A General Introduction”
“The EU and Maritime Safety and Pollution Control”
“The EU and Maritime Transport - Competition”
“The External Dimension of EU Maritime Transport Policy”
- Dr. Isabelle Corbier** (*France*)
Barrister at the Bar of Paris, Lecturer at the University of Paris
“The Relationship between States and Ship Owners”
- Prof. Yves Daudet** (*France*)
Professeur Emérite de l'Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne
Secrétaire Général de l'Académie de Droit International de La Haye
“The Process of Elaboration of International Law, with Special Reference to the Law of the Sea”
“Current Aspects of the Security Council”
- Dr. Mahin Faghfour** (*Islamic Republic of Iran*)
President, International Multimodal Transport Association
“Multimodal Transport”
- “Impact of UNCITRAL Draft Convention on Carriage of Goods (Wholly or Partly) by Sea on Multimodal Transport”
“1999 Convention on Arrest of Ships”
- Dr. Stefano Filleti** (*Malta*)
Advocate
“UNCLOS Part XII”
“Implementation of International Conventions on Marine Environmental Law”
“Marine Pollution Prevention under UNCLOS Part XI”
“Conventions dealing with Marine Pollution”
- Prof. Malgosia Fitzmaurice** (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*)
Professor of Public International Law, Department of International Law, Queen Mary, University of London
“Protection of marine environment on the basis of the global conventions”
“Protection of the marine living resources”
- Mr. Gabino Gonzalez** (*Spain*)
Programme Officer (OPRC), REMPEC
“International Legal Framework for Marine Pollution Preparedness and Response - The OPRC 1990 Convention and the OPRC-HNS Protocol 2000”
- Mr. Mitja Grbec** (*Slovenia*)
Lawyer and Private Consultant
“Marine Environmental Law: Liability and Compensation”
- Mr. Patrick Griggs** (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*)
Former President, Comité Maritime International
“Wreck Removal Convention”
“Bunkers Convention; Charterer's Right to limit”
“Mechanisms for the Unification of International Maritime Law”
- Major (Ret.) Anthony Hall** (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*)
Security Consultant and Instructor, LITAV-Italy
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- Mr. Måns Jacobsson** (*Sweden*)
Former Director of the International Oil Pollution Compensation Funds (IOPC Funds)
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“Bunkers and HNS Conventions”
- Professor Atsuko Kanehara** (*Japan*)
Professor of International Law, Faculty of Law, Rikkyo University
“Reconsideration of the High Seas Regime: The Freedom of the High Seas and the Flag State Principle”
- Prof. Rainer Lagoni** (*Germany*)
Director of the Law of the Sea and Maritime Law Institute of the University of Hamburg
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Head of Department of International Law, University of Malta
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President-Emeritus, Republic of Malta
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Insurance and Shipping Consultant, Commercial Disputes Arbitrator, and Mediator
“UNCITRAL Draft Convention on Carriage of Goods (Wholly or Partly) by Sea”
“Electronic Commerce”
- Mr. Louis Mbanefo** (*Nigeria*)
Senior Advocate, Nigeria, Louis Mbanefo & Co.
“The Preparation of a Merchant Shipping Act: The Nigerian Experience”
- Mr. John Mcphail** (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*)
Thomas Miller & Co., Managers of the UK P&I Club
“P&I Clubs”
- H. E. Dr. Ugo Mifsud Bonnici** (*Malta*)
President-Emeritus, Republic of Malta
“Introduction to Comparative Law”
“Classifications and Differentiations”
“The Mainstream of Law in the West”
- “The Specific Nature of the Anglo-Saxon Common Law Systems”
“Law in Islamic Countries”
“Law in Marxist Systems”
“Law and Change: The Drafting of New Laws”
“Convergences towards Unity”
“Comparative Criminal Law”
- Mr. Bent Nielsen** (*Denmark*)
Comité Maritime International, Retired Partner of Kromann Reumert, Copenhagen
“General Average”
“Implementation of Maritime Law Conventions – The Scandinavian Model”
- Mr. Jonathan Pace** (*Malta*)
Senior Programme Officer, REMPEC
“Regional Systems for Co-operation in Prevention of, Preparedness for and Response to Marine Pollution – An example of the Mediterranean”
- Prof. Dr. Marko Pavliha** (*Slovenia*)
Professor of Commercial, Transport and Insurance Law, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, University of Ljubljana
“Law of Marine Insurance”
- H.E. Mr. Alexandros Rallis** (*Greece*)
Ambassador of Greece to Malta
“Maritime Boundaries Negotiations”
- Prof. Francis M.B. Reynolds Q.C.** (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*)
Barrister, Professor Emeritus, University of Oxford
“Carriage of Goods by Sea”
- Prof. Ping Fat Sze** (*Australia*)
Associate Professor of Law, University of Macau,
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“Cargo Insurance”
- Mr. Bernard Vanheule** (*Belgium*)
Senior Legal Officer, Royal Belgian Shipowners' Association
“EU Maritime Transport Policies: Crew and Safety”
“EU Maritime Transport Policies: Criminal Sanctions in the Protection of the Marine Environment”
- Dr. Ivan Vella** (*Malta*)
Advocate
“International Conventions on Maritime Liens and Mortgages”
“Ship Finance”
- Dr. Roberto Virzo** (*Italy*)
Researcher of International Law at the University of Sannio of Benevento, Italy
Lecturer of European Union Law at the Naval Academy of Livorno
“Dispute Settlement in UNCLOS and in other Law of the Sea Treaties”
- Major (Ret.) Martin J. Walker** (*United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland*)
Security Consultant and Instructor, LITAV-Italy
“Maritime Security”
- Lt. Amber Ward** (*United States of America*)
USCG Legal Officer
“Results of the 9th Session of the IMO/ILO Expert Working Group on Liability and Compensation regarding Claims for Death, Personal Injury and Abandonment of Seafarers”
- Prof. Frank L. Wiswall** (*United States of America*)
Vice-President (Honoris Causa) Comité Maritime International, Proctor and Advocate in Admiralty
“Maritime Legal History”
“Drafting of Maritime Legislation”
“Law of Marine Collision”
- Mr. Godwin Xerri** (*Malta*)
Managing Director, Focal Maritime Services Co. Ltd.
“Proprietary Interests in Ships”
“Charterparties and Documentation”
“Management and Operation of Ships”
- Capt. Joseph Zerafa** (*Malta*)
SAFEMED Project Officer, Maritime Safety, REMPEC
“Technical Aspects of Shipping”

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Class of 1993	
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Ms. Josephine Malliecu (<i>St. Kitts and Nevis</i>) Magistrate, St. Kitts and Nevis	
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Ms. Nancy Karigithu (<i>Kenya</i>) Director General Kenyan Maritime Authority, Kenya	
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Class of 1996	
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Class of 1998

Mr. Foli-Bazi Katari (<i>Togo</i>) Keeper of the Seals, Ministry of Justice, Togo	
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Mr. Abdullah Saeed (<i>Maldives</i>) Chief Justice of Maldives	
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Class of 2000

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Class of 2003

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Class of 2006

Mr. Yongsheng Cai (<i>China</i>) Officer, Division of U. N. Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, China	
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Class of 2007

Ms. Geraldine Spiteri (<i>Malta</i>) Chairperson of the Yachting Sub-committee at MLAC	
Mr. Filimon Manoni (<i>Marshall Islands, the</i>) Attorney General of The Marshall Islands	

STUDENT PROFILE 1989-2008

Albania	1	Maldives	5
Algeria	10	Malta	56
Angola	11	Marshall Islands (the)	2
Argentina	2	Mauritania	1
Azerbaijan	2	Mauritius	3
Bahamas (the)	4	Mexico	4
Bahrain	1	Mozambique	4
Bangladesh	7	Myanmar	5
Barbados	1	Namibia	2
Benin	1	New Zealand	1
Brazil	6	Nicaragua	1
Bulgaria	2	Nigeria	47
Burundi	1	Norway	1
Cameroon	3	Pakistan	9
Cape Verde	2	Panama	2
China	10	Papua New Guinea	4
Colombia	2	Peru	6
Comoros (the)	2	Philippines (the)	9
Congo (the)	2	Poland	2
Costa Rica	1	Russian Federation (the)	6
Côte d'Ivoire	1	Saint Kitts and Nevis	2
Croatia	2	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2
Cuba	1	Samoa	5
Democratic People's Republic of Korea (the)	6	Saudi Arabia	8
Dominica	5	Senegal	2
Ecuador	1	Serbia	1
Egypt	2	Seychelles	3
Estonia	1	Sierra Leone	6
Ethiopia	4	Slovenia	4
Fiji	4	Solomon Islands	1
France	1	South Africa	4
Gambia (the)	4	Sri Lanka	8
Georgia	8	Sudan (the)	1
Germany	2	Suriname	2
Ghana	9	Switzerland	2
Greece	1	Thailand	5
Grenada	1	Togo	1
Guatemala	2	Tonga	1
Guyana	2	Trinidad and Tobago	2
Haiti	1	Tunisia	2
Honduras	5	Turkey	3
India	5	Tuvalu	1
Indonesia	3	Uganda	2
Iran (Islamic Republic of)	7	Ukraine	3
Iraq	1	United Republic of Tanzania (the)	9
Italy	2	United States of America (the)	2
Jamaica	2	Uruguay	1
Japan	2	Vanuatu	2
Jordan	4	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	2
Kazakhstan	2	Viet Nam	4
Kenya	8	Yemen	1
Latvia	7	Zambia	4
Lebanon	2	Zimbabwe	1
Liberia	2		
Libyan Arab Jamahiriya (the)	4	Hong Kong, China	1
Lithuania	4	Palestine	1
Madagascar	2		
Malawi	4	Total students	468*
Malaysia	4		

* Includes students that were awarded a Diploma in International Maritime Law

DONORS (1989 TO 2008)

Comité Maritime International (CMI)
Commonwealth Fund for Technical Cooperation (CFTC)
European Union Commission
Indian Ocean Commission (IOC)
International Maritime Organization (IMO)
International Transport Workers Federation (ITF),
ITF Seafarers' Trust
United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO)
World Bank
Government of Algeria
Government of Angola
Government of the Bahamas
Government of Cape Verde
Government of the Congo
Government of Fiji
Government of France
Government of the Gambia
Government of Ghana
Government of Haiti
Government of Indonesia
Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran
Government of Iraq

Government of Kenya
Government of the Republic of Korea
Government of Latvia
Government of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya
Government of Lithuania
Government of Luxembourg
Government of Malaysia
Government of Malta
Government of the Marshall Islands
Government of Mozambique
Government of Namibia
Government of the Netherlands
Government of Nigeria
Government of Pakistan
Government of Peru
Government of Poland
Government of the Russian Federation
Government of Saudi Arabia
Government of the Sudan
Government of Suriname
Government of Switzerland
Government of the United Republic of Tanzania
Government of Thailand
Government of Tonga
Ab Lisco Baltic Service Lithuania

Argentine Navy
Brazilian Navy
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Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)
Caspian Shipping Co. (Republic of Azerbaijan)
CMI American Foundation
Costamare Shipping Company
Det Nordenfeldske Dampskibsselskab As (Norway)
French Navy
General Maritime Transport Company (Libya)
Greek Shipping Co-Operation Committee
India National Shipowners Association
International Association of Dredging Contractors
International Centre for Ocean Development (Canada)
International Development Research Centre (Canada)
Italian Navy
Japan Shipbuilding Industry Foundation
(Sasakawa Fellowship Fund)
Joint Dock Labor Council (Nigeria)
Kenyan Navy
Kenyan Port Authority
Korea Shipowners Association
Libyan Maritime Port Authority
Lloyd's Register Educational Trust
Malta Maritime Authority

Maritime B. P. (France)
Medserv Limited (Malta)
Mexican Navy
Neptune Orient Lines (Singapore)
Nigerdock Nigeria Limited
Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA)
Nigerian Navy
Nigerian Ports Authority
Nigerian Shippers' Council
Nippon Foundation
Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD)
Onassis Group of Companies
Pakistan Navy
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Papachristidis Company
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Ports and Shipping Organization (Iran)
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The International Maritime Organization continues to support IMLI's funding requirements. It annually provides scholarships intended for deserving government-nominated candidates who wish to pursue post-graduate studies in international maritime law at IMLI. This academic year IMO provided five full and one partial scholarships which were awarded to: Mrs. Amanza Walton-Desir (Guyana), Mr. Farouq Al-Bdour (Jordan), Mr. Choe Kun Song (DPR Korea), Mr. Jo Se Gwan (DPR Korea), Ms. Primrose Chimwaza (Malawi), and Ms. Alison Gili (Malta).

NIPPON FOUNDATION

The Nippon Foundation, through its joint project with IMLI, known as the "Human Resources Development Project for the Advancement of a More Effective Legal Order for the Oceans", continues to support deserving government-nominated scholars. For the academic year 2008-2009 the following students were selected as scholars under the Project:

Mr. Farhad Mammadov (Azerbaijan), Ms. Melisa Wright (Bahamas, the), Mr. Feng Jianzhong (China), Ms. Kathy Buffong (Dominica), Mr. Zaza Pirveli (Georgia), Mr. Samuel Darse (India), Ms. Renny Meirina (Indonesia), Mr. Lazaro Valdez (Philippines the), Mrs. Anusha Fernando (Sri Lanka), and Mrs. Tran Thi Hai Yen (Viet Nam).

EU-FUNDED SAFEMED PROJECT

The "Euro-med Cooperation on Maritime Safety and Prevention of Pollution from Ships – SAFEMED" (SAFEMED) is an EU-funded project which is being implemented by REMPEC. The SAFEMED project seeks to mitigate the imbalance in the application of maritime legislation in the region among Mediterranean partners who are not members of the European Union (EU) and those who are. The SAFEMED project provided 10 scholarships to qualified, government-nominated IMLI students coming from the Mediterranean partners of Algeria, Egypt, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, the Palestinian Authority, Syria, Tunisia and Turkey. The last

three scholarships under the Project were awarded to: Mr. Abdeerrazak Titraoui (Algeria), Mr. Ibrahim El Diwany (Egypt), and Mr. Saber Fayezi Alaiwah (Jordan).

Under the follow up Project "SAFEMED II" which has just commenced an additional five scholarships will be granted during the three year implementation period. All the project beneficiaries will be invited to nominate possible candidates, but priority will be given to those beneficiaries whose staff has not yet had the opportunity to participate in IMLI's LL.M. programme.

SWISS GOVERNMENT

The Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Switzerland, in coordination with the Swiss Maritime Navigation Office, has recently renewed its Donor's Agreement with IMLI. The agreement covers a fixed annual financial contribution to the Institute for four academic years beginning 2007-2008 to 2010-2011. This financial contribution will enable the Institute to continue with its program of providing post-graduate study and research opportunities in the field of

international maritime law to government-nominated candidates. This contribution would not have been possible without the kind assistance of Dr. Peter Müller, Secretary General of the Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, and Dr. Reto Dürler, Head of the Swiss Maritime Navigation Office.

LLOYD'S REGISTER

Lloyd's Register continues to support training at IMLI. With its aim to enhance safety and to approve assets and systems at sea, on land and in the air Lloyd's Register sets, upholds and applies high technical standards of design, manufacture, construction, maintenance, operation and performance across many sectors to the benefit of many businesses. This academic year the following students have been awarded scholarships by Lloyd's Register: Ms. Paola Acuña (Costa Rica), Ms. Katja Pecek (Slovenia), and Mrs. Agatha James Andries (St. Kitts and Nevis).



The Class of 2008/2009 giving the solemn promise at the beginning of the academic year



IMLI Governor Prof. Dr. Marko Pavliha (Professor of Commercial, Transport and Insurance Law, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, University of Ljubljana) meeting the Class of 2008/2009



IMLI Governor Dr. Philippe Boisson (Communication Director and Legal Advisor, Marine Division, Bureau Veritas) with the Class of 2008/2009



H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon (UN Secretary-General) signing the IMLI Guestbook during an official visit to the Institute



H.E. Mr. Efthimios E. Mitropoulos (IMO Secretary-General) and guests with the Class of 2008/2009 during the inauguration of IMLI's 20th Annual LL.M. Programme



Commissioner Joe Borg (European Commissioner for Fisheries and Maritime Affairs), Professor David Attard (IMLI Director), Ambassador Alexandros Rallis (Ambassador of Greece to Malta) and guests with the Class of 2008/2009 at the closing ceremony of IMLI's 14th Annual EU Maritime Law Course



Professor Francis M.B. Reynolds Q.C. (Barrister, Professor Emeritus, University of Oxford) with the Class of 2008/2009



Professor Atsuko Kanebara (Faculty of Law, Rikkyo University, Japan), during a meeting with members of the Class of 2008/2009 sponsored by the Nippon Foundation



H.E. Mr. Efthimios E. Mitropoulos (IMO Secretary-General) with Professor Francis M.B. Reynolds Q.C. (Barrister, Professor Emeritus, University of Oxford) and Professor David Attard (IMLI Director) during the 2008 Graduation Ceremony

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“Arrest of Ships – The Algerian Perspective”*

“Law on the Incorporation of the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ship’s Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 into Algerian Law”***

Mr. Abderrazak Titraoui (*Algeria*)

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“An Analysis of the International Legal Framework Regulating the Prevention of Exhaust Gas Emissions from Ships (Annex VI of the MARPOL Convention): The Algerian Perspective”*

“Law on the Incorporation of Annex VI of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973, as modified by the Protocol of 1978 relating thereto into the Laws of Algeria”**

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Legal Adviser, Ministry of Justice

“Liability and Compensation for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage: The Angolan Perspective”*

“An Act to incorporate the Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007 into the Laws of Angola”**

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“Seafarer’s Rights Under the 2006 Maritime Labor Convention: The Angolan Perspective”*

“Law on the Incorporation of the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006 into the Laws of Angola”***

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“Law on the Registration of Ships in the Republic of Azerbaijan”***

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“A Legal Analysis on the Impact of the ISPS Code and the SUA 2005 on the Passenger Vessel Industry: The Bahamian Perspective”*

“An Act to Incorporate the Protocol of 2005 to the Convention for the Suppression of Unlawful Acts against the Safety of Maritime Navigation 1988 into the Laws of The Bahamas”***



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“A Legal Analysis on the Conservation and Management of Fisheries Resources in The Bahamas: Responsibilities, Challenges and Proposals”*

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“The Law of Environmental Salvage: Present State and Future Perspectives”*

“The Law of People’s Republic of China on Maritime Search and Rescue”***

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“A Legal Analysis of Costa Rica’s Entitlement to an Extended Continental Shelf”**

“Decree No. ___ Incorporating the Athens Convention 2002 Relating to the Carriage of Passenger and their Luggage by Sea into the Laws of Costa Rica”***

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“Oil Pollution Preparedness, Response and Cooperation: Is Dominica Prepared?”*

“An Act to amend the International Maritime Act, 2000, as amended by the International Amendment Act, 2001 to incorporate the provisions of the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage, 2001 into the Laws of Dominica”***

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“Law on Maritime Search and Rescue of the Arab Republic of Egypt”***

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“Law on the Incorporation of the International Convention for the Control and Management of Ships’ Ballast Water and Sediments, 2004 into the Laws of Georgia”***

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