



27TH SESSION OF THE IMLI GOVERNING BOARD

The IMLI Governing Board met at the IMO Headquarters in London on 27 March 2013 to hold its 27th Session. The Session was presided by Mr. Koji Sekimizu (Secretary – General of IMO and Chairman of the IMLI Governing Board).

At its 27th Session, the Board commended the Director, faculty and staff of IMLI for their continuous efforts to maintain the Institute's high academic standards and expressed the appreciation to all the visiting lecturers who taught at IMLI in the past academic year.

The Board noted the progress in the Institute's programmes and the ever increasing number of candidates interested in pursuing studies in international maritime law at IMLI. The Board acknowledged the Institute's donors, including the IMO; The Nippon Foundation; the Lloyd's Register Foundation; the Government of Malta; the Government of Switzerland; Transport Malta; the Comité Maritime International (CMI) Charitable Trust and the EU-funded "Euromed Co- operation on Maritime Safety and Prevention of Pollution from Ships – SAFEMED II" Project for their continuous generous contributions that enable lawyers from all over the world, especially developing countries, to receive in-depth training in international maritime law.

Furthermore, it noted with appreciation that the Institute's Library holdings are continuously updated, covering all major areas of international maritime law and are systematically organised for easy reference. The Board also expressed the appreciation for the Institute's endeavours to promote its activities worldwide, especially the forthcoming publication, by Oxford University Press, of "The IMLI Manual in International Maritime Law".



Mr. Koji Sekimizu (Secretary – General of IMO and Chairman of the IMLI Governing Board) and Members of the IMLI Governing Board during its 27th Session

During this Session, the Board also approved the amendments to the Institute's programme syllabus. The Director and the IMLI faculty, in close collaboration with the Academic Committee, proposed the amendments to ensure that the programme keeps up with important contemporary developments in international maritime law. The amendments will come into effect in July 2013.

The Institute wishes to express its appreciation to the particularly important contribution and guidance received from its Governing Board and Committees which have ensured that IMLI rises to the fore in the capacity building process.

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