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## VICE-PRESIDENT OF THE INTERNATIONAL OCEAN INSTITUTE (IOI) LECTURES AT IMLI

Dr. Mahin Faghfouri, Vice-President of the International Ocean Institute (IOI) visited the Institute between the 18 and 20 March and delivered a series of lectures on multimodal transport, the impact of the Rotterdam Rules on multimodal transport and the International Convention on Arrest of Ships, 1999.

In her lectures, Dr. Faghfouri gave the students a historical background of the development of multimodal transport. She then explained its significance, focusing on the recent developments in the field. In this respect, she discussed, *inter alia*, the current international liability framework for multimodal transport and the efforts made by the international community to achieve a uniform international regime for multimodal transport.



*Dr. Mahin Faghfouri meeting the students of the IMLI Class of 2014/2015*

Dr. Faghfouri also lectured on the International Convention on Arrest of Ships, 1999, wherein she gave an overview of the Convention. She made a detailed comparison between the 1952 and 1999 Conventions, laying special emphasis on the new provisions in the 1999 Convention, which represents an improvement to its predecessor, the 1952 Convention.

Dr. Faghfouri studied law at the Law Faculty of the University of Tehran. She has a Master's degree in Maritime Law from London University and a Ph.D. from the University of Wales. She had a long career in the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) where she had been a Chief of the Maritime Legislation / Legal Section of the Division for Services Infrastructure for Development and Trade Efficiency from 1984 until 2005. In that position, she was responsible for work within UNCTAD on maritime law and multimodal transport including the International Convention on Arrest of Ships 1999, the International Convention on Maritime Liens and Mortgages 1993, UNCTAD Minimum Standards for Shipping Agents 1986, UNCTAD's work on bills of lading, charterparties, general average, legal aspects of electronic commerce and maritime and container security.

She has written many articles and papers on issues of maritime and multimodal transport law.

Dr. Faghfouri has also lectured extensively in various international and national conferences and seminars as well as universities, including the IMO World Maritime University (WMU) in Sweden and Geneva University.

She held the position of President of the International Multimodal Transport Association from 2005 until recently, at the end of 2014.

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