



## NEW CHAIRMAN OF THE IMLI GOVERNING BOARD



**Mr. Ki-tack Lim (IMO Secretary-General)**

IMLI is proud to announce that Mr. Ki-tack Lim (Republic of Korea) is the new Chairman of the IMLI Governing Board.

Under the Statute of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute, the IMO Secretary-General is *ex officio* the Chairman of the IMLI Governing Board. Mr. Lim was elected IMO Secretary-General by the 114th session of the IMO Council and his election was approved by IMO's Assembly during its 29th session. On 1 January 2016 Mr. Lim began his term as the eighth elected Secretary-General of the Organization.

The Director and staff of the Institute congratulate Secretary-General Lim for his appointment and look forward to working with him towards the continued academic success of the Institute.

Mr. Lim was born in Masan, Gyeongsangnam-do, one of the major port cities in the Republic of Korea. He majored in nautical science at the Korea Maritime and Ocean University (KMOU), Busan, graduating in

1977. He worked on ships as a Korean naval officer and for Sanko Shipping Co. He joined the Korea Maritime and Port Administration in 1985, while continuing with further studies at the Graduate School of Administration, Yonsei University, obtaining a Master's Degree in 1990. He then studied maritime administration with a major in navigation at the World Maritime University (WMU), graduating with a master's degree. From 1995 he attended a doctoral programme for international law at KMOU, completing course work in 1998.

Mr. Lim began attending IMO meetings as part of the Republic of Korea's delegation in 1986, actively participating in maritime safety and environmental protection issues. From 1992, he engaged in activities to promote maritime safety through effective implementation of IMO conventions in his country and other IMO Member States in the Asian region. He was elected Chairman of the Tokyo Memorandum on Port State Control in 2004.

In 2006, Mr. Lim was appointed as Maritime Attaché, minister-counsellor at the Embassy of the Republic of Korea in London and led all IMO work for the Republic of Korea, serving as Deputy Permanent Representative to IMO up to August 2009.

Mr. Lim was then appointed as Director General for Maritime Safety Policy Bureau at the Headquarters of the Ministry of Land, Transport and Maritime Affairs (MLTM). He led the delegation of the Republic of Korea to the IMO Assembly in 2009.

In March 2011, Mr. Lim was appointed Commissioner of the Korean Maritime Safety Tribunal (KMST). In July 2012, he assumed the position of President of Busan Port Authority.

The Institute is pleased to attach to this e-news a full version of Mr. Lim's impressive curriculum vitae.

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