



## EXPERT IN INSURANCE LAW LECTURES AT IMLI

The Institute recently had the pleasure of welcoming Dr. Miriam Goldby, Senior Lecturer in Shipping, Insurance and Commercial Law at the Centre for Commercial Law Studies (CCLS), Queen Mary University of London (QMUL) and Deputy Director of CCLS's Insurance Law Institute. She is also the Director of QMUL's London LL.M programme in International Shipping Law and convenes the School of Law's MA in Law by Research. She has written extensively on various areas of commercial and financial law. Since November 2012 she has participated in the meetings of UNCITRAL's Working Group IV (Electronic Commerce) as delegate and as a member of the Experts Group and contributed to the drafting of an instrument on Electronic Transferable Records. During her visit, Dr. Goldby delivered lectures on Marine Insurance Law and Maritime Arbitration.



*Dr. Miriam Goldby (Senior Lecturer in Shipping, Insurance and Commercial Law at QMUL) with the students of the IMLI Class of 2015-2016*

Dr. Goldby discussed the London insurance market which is a subscription market. She explained how insurance is placed in the subscription market, including recent developments intended to harness electronic communications to facilitate the process, as well as the legal framework governing marine insurance contracts in the English jurisdiction particularly the Marine Insurance Act 1906.

In her lecture on maritime arbitration, Dr. Golby discussed the key advantages and disadvantages of arbitration, a method of alternative dispute resolution that is often used instead of litigation for the resolution of shipping disputes. She also discussed the salient features of arbitrations conducted under the terms of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association (LMAA) and those conducted under the rules of Society of Maritime Arbitrators (SMA), New York including the similarities and differences between them.

In an interview with the editor of the IMLI e-news, reproduced below, Dr. Goldby expressed her pleasure in visiting and lecturing at IMLI, a world-recognized centre for the training of specialists in maritime law.

***Welcome to IMLI, Dr. Goldby. How did you feel to come to IMLI again?***

I have been teaching here since 2014, so this is my 3<sup>rd</sup> year. Each visit has always been excellent, the students were always very enthusiastic and participative. My class has always been interactive. All of the three years have been very good. IMLI students are very lucky to have such a good programme of studies - IMLI is providing the very highest quality of teaching and learning.

***What did your lectures entail?***

I gave two lectures on the Modernisation of the London Subscription Market and the implications for Marine Insurance, particularly as regards documentation and one introductory lecture on Maritime Arbitration.

***In your opinion, what are the current topics in the maritime field, which need to be addressed globally?***

At the moment, the shipping industry is going through a very serious crisis. There are economic issues that need to be addressed, for example, oversupply of vessels. Another issue is increasing regulation, for example requirements for monitoring emissions, related to global warming and climate change. These are significant challenges, but they can also be viewed as opportunities, because they point the industry in certain direction for development.

***Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice, a Professor of Public International Law QMUL has been appointed as the Nippon Foundation Professor of Marine Environmental Law at the Institute since 2012. Prof. Fitzmaurice appointment and your visits to IMLI have indicated a good relationship between IMLI and QMUL. What other collaborations could be further established?***

One option for collaboration would be to organize a summer school in association with each other. Also a possibility would be for IMLI research students to visit CCLS under our visiting student programme. Details may be found on the QMUL website.

***Dr. Goldby concluded the conversation by encouraging the students to “focus on their programme of studies, on getting good grades - it might seem simple, but it is essential for progressing in their career”***

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