

IMO INVITES GOVERNMENTS TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES FOR THE IMLI MASTER'S PROGRAMMES

IMO circulated to all its Member States Circular Letter No. 3685 announcing the IMLI Master's programmes in International Maritime Law and International Maritime Legislation.

The Circular Letter (reproduced below) recalls that *'The programmes include in-depth education in international maritime law and training in the drafting of maritime legislation for the incorporation of IMO treaties into national legislation. It has been recognized as a most effective way to assist developing countries in training their own nationals who would subsequently constitute the initial nucleus of a well-established capability in maritime law and in the drafting of maritime legislation, which is of paramount importance for the protection of the marine environment and the safe operation and development of the shipping and port industries.'*

As noted in the Circular Letter, participation in the programme is offered on the widest possible geographical basis. However, the number of admissions is limited due to the intensive nature of the programmes. Fifty percent of admissions are reserved for suitably qualified women candidates. For the timely selection and notification of candidates, **it is essential that the nomination form, application form and scholarship form, where applicable, reach the Institute by 28 February 2017.** For any inquiries please contact the Institute at admissions@imli.org.

The application packages for government-nominated and self-financed candidates, including information about the Institute, admissions and application forms, can be downloaded by accessing our website at www.imli.org.



The IMLI Class of 2016-2017 taking the Oath of Allegiance

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To: All IMO Member States

Subject: Master's Programmes at the IMO International Maritime Law Institute, Malta, October 2017 to June 2018

1. The Secretary-General is pleased to announce that the Master of Laws (LL.M.) programme in International Maritime Law and the Master of Humanities (M.Hum.) programme in International Maritime Legislation will be held at the IMO International Maritime Law Institute in Malta from October 2017.
2. The LL.M. and M.Hum. programmes have been designed as intensive and specialized postgraduate programmes in international maritime law. Whereas the LL.M. programme is open exclusively to graduates in law, the M.Hum. programme is open to candidates holding a degree in any other discipline related to international maritime law. The programmes include in-depth education in international maritime law and training in the drafting of maritime legislation for the incorporation of IMO treaties into national legislation. It has been recognized that a most effective way to assist countries is the training of their nationals who would subsequently constitute the initial nucleus of a well-established capability in international maritime law and in the drafting of maritime legislation, which is of paramount importance for the protection of the marine environment, the safe operation and development of the shipping and port industries, as well as the achievement of IMO's objectives.
3. The Institute was established in Malta under the auspices of the International Maritime Organization with the generous provision of the premises and related facilities by the Government of Malta.
4. Nomination of candidates by the Government concerned (Nominating Authority) should be made using the nomination form, which forms part of the "**Application Package for Nominated Candidates for 2017-2018**" and can be found and downloaded from the Institute's website: www.imli.org. For the timely selection and notification of candidates, **it is essential that the completed documents, including the nomination form, application form and scholarship form, where applicable, reach the Institute by 28 February 2017.** The selection of candidates will take place soon after that deadline and those selected, and the concerned nominating authority will be informed accordingly by the Institute thereafter. Selected candidates admitted for studies at the Institute are expected and

- required to arrive at the Institute prior to the commencement of the academic year and in case they are unable, for whatever reasons, to do so, they should as soon as possible inform the Institute to this end and withdraw their applications.
5. By submitting an application and by nominating a person for studies at the Institute the person submitting such application and the authority making such nomination are confirming to IMO that they are aware of the national legislative and/or administrative requirements which have to be met, in case the person concerned is admitted for studies at the Institute, prior to the person concerned travelling to the Institute and for studying at the Institute; that, the aforesaid requirements can be met in time for the person concerned to arrive at the Institute before the commencement of the academic year and to remain at the Institute and continue his/her studies until the end of the academic year; and that they will promptly take the actions required to comply with these requirements.
 6. Participation is offered on the widest possible geographical basis, but the number of admissions is limited due to the intensive nature of the programmes. Accordingly, should nominations be made for two or more candidates from one country, it would be appreciated if a priority order could be indicated. Fifty per cent of admissions are reserved for suitably qualified women candidates.
 7. The programme fee is Euro €32,000 and the Nominating Authority is responsible for payment of the programme fees. Where a fellowship is confirmed to be available, the Nominating Authority remains responsible for the payment of the Additional Funding Component.
 8. Where financial assistance is required, the application form should be accompanied by the payment of a scholarship application fee of €200 in the form of bank transfer to the Institute's bank account (all bank transfer charges are to be borne by the applicant) and a duly completed Scholarship Application Form. This scholarship application fee is in addition to the application and processing fee of €150. The scholarship application fee covers all administration costs incurred in approaching potential sponsors and seeking scholarship funding for the candidates while the application processing fee covers the cost of compiling applicants' files, preparing their individual profiles, keeping them informed and assisting accepted candidates until their arrival at the Institute.
 9. Detailed information on the programmes' syllabuses and application procedures are part of the "Application Package for Nominated Candidates for 2017 - 2018" which can be found and downloaded from the Institute's website: www.imli.org.
 10. The Secretary-General wishes to take this opportunity once again to express appreciation to the Government of Malta for its support.

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