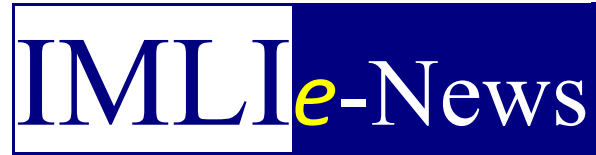


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EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY OF ROME ASSISTANT PROFESSOR LECTURES AT IMLI

Dr. Fiammetta Borgia (Assistant Professor, University of Rome "Tor Vergata" and European University of Rome) visited the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) on 23 October 2017 and delivered a lecture on 'The Role of Non-State Actors in International Law' to the IMLI Class of 2017-2018.



Dr. Fiammetta Borgia (Assistant Professor, University of Rome "Tor Vergata" and European University of Rome) delivering her lecture to the IMLI Class of 2017-2018

Dr. Borgia started her lecture by first explaining to the students that the status of a legal personality means having rights and duties under a specific legal order and that international legal personality means having rights and duties under international law and be able to create, enforce and influence international norms.

In further explaining the relevance of according the status of international legal personality to entities other than States, Dr. Borgia made reference to the decision of the ICJ in the *Reparations for the Injuries Case* [1949] where the Court stated that the ‘development of international law has been influenced by the requirements of international life, and the progressive increase in the collective activities of States have already given rise to instances of action upon the international plane by certain entities which are not States.’

She explained that while States remain the preeminent actors in international law, the balance of powers in the international community has changed and that new actors have emerged at the international level, such as public international organizations established by States (IGOs), non-governmental organizations (NGOs) created by individuals, multinational corporations and even individuals who all currently play a key role in international law.

Dr. Borgia’s lecture was well received by the students, who expressed their gratefulness to her for making them understand the concept of international legal personality.

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