

**FORMER DIRECTOR OF THE INTERNATIONAL OIL POLLUTION COMPENSATION FUNDS
LECTURES AT IMLI**

Dr. Måns Jacobsson (Former Director of the International Oil Pollution Compensation Funds (IOPC Funds)) visited the IMO International Maritime Law Institute on 3 and 4 April 2018 and delivered a set of lectures to the IMLI Class of 2017-2018. His first lecture was on Bunkers Convention and the HNS Convention, including the interrelationship between maritime liability conventions. His second lecture focused on lawmaking through intergovernmental organisations and the interpretation and application of treaties.



Dr. Måns Jacobsson (Former Director of the IOPC Funds) with the IMLI Class of 2017-2018

In his first lecture, Dr. Jacobsson explained the origin and development of the interrelated maritime liability conventions, namely: the International Convention on Civil Liability for Oil Pollution Damage (CLC) supplemented by the International Convention on the Establishment of an International Fund for Compensation for Oil Pollution Damage (Fund Convention) and its 2003 Protocol, the International Convention on Civil Liability for Bunker Oil Pollution Damage

(Bunkers Convention), and the International Convention on Liability and Compensation for Damage in connection with the Carriage of Hazardous and Noxious Substances by Sea, 2010 (HNS Convention).

In analysing the foregoing Conventions, he highlighted the similarities and differences between them. For instance, he mentioned that the Conventions that apply to pollution damage by persistent oil from tankers differ from that applying to pollution damage by bunker spills from non-tankers. He also discussed the complexities of the 2010 HNS Convention, which is not yet in force. Furthermore, he provided the class with illustrations on different scenarios where several Conventions apply concurrently.

In his second lecture, Dr Jacobsson discussed the mechanisms for the development of international treaties, with particular emphasis on treaties adopted under the auspices of IMO. He emphasised the importance of national courts applying international treaties in good faith, and addressed the problems that arise when national courts do not respect international treaties.

The students certainly appreciated and benefitted from his specialised expertise.



Dr. Måns Jacobsson (Former Director of the IOPC Funds) delivering his lecture

Dr. Måns Jacobsson was the Director and Chief Executive Officer of the International Oil Pollution Compensation Funds (IOPC Funds) from 1985 to 2006. Since his retirement from the IOPC Funds at the end of 2006, he is working as academic lecturer and consultant in maritime and environmental matters.

After studies at Princeton University in the United States, Måns Jacobsson studied law at Lund University in Sweden where he graduated in 1964. He served as a judge at district and appellate

courts in Sweden 1964-1970. He worked as legal advisor in the Department for International Civil Law of the Swedish Ministry of Justice 1970-1981 and was Head of that Department 1982-1984. He held the post of President of Division of the Stockholm Court of Appeal 1985-2006.

Dr. Måns Jacobsson is a member of the Board of Governors of the World Maritime University (WMU) in Malmö (Sweden). He is Visiting Professor at WMU and the Maritime Universities in Dalian and Shanghai (People's Republic of China) and Honorary Professor at the University of Nottingham (United Kingdom). He is a Visiting Fellow at the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) and a member of the Institute of International Shipping and Trade Law at the University of Swansea (United Kingdom). He is corresponding member of the Academia Nacional de Derecho y Ciencias Sociales in Buenos Aires (Argentina). He is also Academic Associate of Quadrant Chambers, a set of leading barristers in London specialising in commercial law.

He was a member of the Executive Council of Comité Maritime International (CMI) 2007-2014 and is an Honorary Member of the French and Italian Maritime Law Associations.

Måns Jacobsson has published three books and numerous articles in various fields of law, such as maritime law, torts, patent law, nuclear law and treaty law.

In 2007, the University of Southampton conferred upon him the Degree of Doctor of Laws *honoris causa*. In 2010, he was awarded the King of Sweden's Gold Medal for significant achievements in the field of marine environment and shipping.

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