A Chilean Delegation, led by Her Excellency Ambassador María Teresa Infante (Ambassador of Chile to the Kingdom of the Netherlands and Permanent Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons) visited IMLI on 13 November 2018. She was accompanied by Ambassador Isauro Torres (Director of the Division for Environment, Climate Change and Ocean Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile), Mr. Javier Gorostegui (Legal Adviser of the Permanent Mission of Chile to the United Nations, New York) and Ms. Nazhla Abad (Consul of Chile to Rome).

During the visit, Ambassador Infante (who is also a Professor of Law at the University of Chile) delivered a lecture on “Law of International Responsibility and its Challenges: Why Does it Matter?” in which she explained how international law has evolved in the conceptualisation of the attribution and distribution of States’ responsibilities. In analysing the 2001 International Law Commission Draft Articles on Responsibility of States for Internationally Wrongful Acts, Ambassador Infante discussed, among other areas, the elements of an internationally wrongful act of a State as provided in Article 2 of the Draft Articles.
Considering that the law of State responsibility plays a central role in international law, Ambassador Infante’s lecture helped the students understand how this law functions at the international plane.

In the afternoon, IMLI held a Round-table on “The Challenges of Ocean Governance” in collaboration with the Chilean Delegation and University of Malta.
Professor Attard opened the discussion with an introductory lecture on ‘Global Ocean Governance and IMLI’. Ambassador Torres and Mr. Gorostegui presented on ‘The Ocean-Climate Link in the Context of the Implementation of the Paris Agreement’ and ‘The UN Ocean Agenda: Global Interests on the Seas’, respectively. Professor Martinez discussed ‘Global Ocean Governance and Marine Scientific Research’ and finally, ‘The IMO Strategy on Decarbonizing the Shipping Sector: Laggard or Pioneer?’ was presented by Professor Borg.

At the end of the Round-table, Ambassador Infante gave the following remarks about IMLI:

“IMLI has given us a multicultural and multidimensional vision on how the law of the sea and its interrelation with other disciplines is present and must continue to respond to global challenges.”

* If you do not want to receive IMLI e-News in future, please return this message to the above address with request to DELETE in the subject field.
** For further information, please contact Dr. Buba Bojang (Editor, IMLI e-News) at publications@imli.org