

IMO COUNCIL COMMENDS THE WORK OF IMLI

The IMO Council commended the work of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) at the Council's 121st Session on 21 November 2018. The Council's commendation came during the presentation and consideration of the 29th Annual Report of the IMLI Governing Board and the IMLI Budget.



Mr. Kitack Lim (Secretary-General, IMO) with the IMLI Graduates of the academic year 2017-2018

Introducing the two documents, on behalf of the IMO Secretary-General, Mr. JJ Shiundu (Acting Director of the Technical Cooperation Division) said that the Reports review the operations of the

Institute for the period between 6 May 2017 and 15 June 2018. Mr. Shiundu informed the Council that by the end of the 2017-2018 academic year, 781 students from 136 States and territories had successfully undergone studies in the Institute's LL.M. programme, nine students from the newly introduced M.Hum. Programme and one student from the M.Sc. Programme. He then highlighted major activities undertaken by IMLI during the reporting period, such as the establishment of a cooperative two-year IMLI-Queen Mary University Master's degree programme and the publication by Oxford University Press of The IMLI Treatise on Global Ocean Governance.

He assured the Council that IMLI would continue its contribution in education, research and capacity building programmes on maritime law issues, as well as play an effective role towards the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Mr. Shiundu expressed IMO's deep appreciation to the donors who so generously provided financial and in-kind support to the Institute. He mentioned, in particular, The Nippon Foundation, IMO through the ITCP, the Lloyd's Register Foundation, The Government of the Republic of Korea, the Ministry of Transport of Malaysia, the ITF Seafarers' Trust, the Government of Saudi Arabia, the Government of Malta, the Government of the Bahamas, Transport Malta and the CMI Charitable Trust. He also thanked the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade Promotion of Malta, the Ghana Shippers' Authority, the Brazilian Navy Commission and the Ministry of Fisheries and Seas of Angola, for sponsoring the studies of IMLI students. Finally, Mr. Shiundu extended his appreciation to Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) for his good leadership.

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