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OXFORD UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR EMERITUS LECTURES AT IMLI

Professor Francis M.B. Reynolds Q.C. (Barrister and Professor Emeritus, Oxford University) visited the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) between 18 and 22 March 2019 and delivered a set of lectures on 'Carriage of Goods by Sea' to the IMLI Class of 2018-2019.



Professor Francis M.B. Reynolds, Q.C. (Barrister and Professor Emeritus, University of Oxford) with the IMLI Class of 2018-2019

In his lectures, Professor Reynolds delivered Part II of the Institute's course on Carriage of Goods by Sea, following on from Part I, on General Principles and Charterparties, which was delivered by Mr Andrew Taylor in November of last year. Part II concerns Bills of Lading and other documents used in sea carriage, and the international regimes of the Hague and Hague-Visby Rules (proposed reforms to which in the Rotterdam Rules have been covered by Mr David Martin-Clark). This part of the course involves also some of the commercial background to sea carriage, particularly the contract of sale of goods and letters of credit.

Professor Reynolds' lecture style where practical examples illustrated the fundamental principles, assisted in advancing the students' understanding of the subject.

Professor Francis Reynolds is Professor of Law Emeritus at the University of Oxford, where he taught contract and commercial law for 40 years. He is a Barrister, an Honorary Queen's Counsel, an Honorary Bencher of the Inner Temple, a Fellow of the British Academy, a Titular Member of the CMI (Comité Maritime International) and has been a visiting professor at University College

London, the National University of Singapore, Singapore Management University, the Universities of Hong Kong, Melbourne, Sydney, Auckland, Otago, Monash University and the International Maritime Law Institute of the IMO, Malta (where he has the title of Honorary Professor). He was one of the Advisers to the American Law Institute in respect of *Restatement, Third, Agency*.

He is a consultant on English law to Ang & Partners, Singapore, a firm handling shipping business, and undertakes consultancy and some arbitration generally. He has written the book now called *Bowstead and Reynolds on Agency* from its 13th edition of 1968 to the 18th edition of 2006, and remains associated with it under its present editor, Professor P.G. Watts of the University of Auckland; he is also co-author (with Professor Sir Guenter Treitel) of *Carver on Bills of Lading*. He has written parts of *Benjamin's Sale of Goods*, *Chitty on Contracts* and *English Private Law*. He was the Editor of the *Law Quarterly Review* from 1988 to 2014.

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