MEXICAN NAVY HOLDS INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE TO COMMEMORATE IMLI’S 30TH ANNIVERSARY

On 12 July 2019, the day on which several Latin American countries celebrate the ‘Day of the Lawyer’, the Mexican Navy held in Mexico City a “Conference on International Maritime Law to commemorate the 30th Anniversary of the International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI)”.

Mexican Navy’s military and civil lawyers attending the Conference
The event was organized by the Mexican National Maritime Authority and was aimed at Navy lawyers, in order to highlight the importance of IMLI’s contribution to the international maritime community, regarding the training of legal personnel in international maritime law which provides them with the technical knowledge necessary to adequately advise their governments regarding the adoption and implementation of IMO international treaties in domestic legislation.

(L-R) Mr. Stefan Brajić, Lt. Commander Liliana Díaz Medina, Commander Juan Jorge Quiroz Richards, Ensign Álvaro Martín Aguilar Segura, Lt. Junior Grade Paulina Vázquez Contreras and Ensign Rodrigo Zalce Benítez, IMLI graduates working in the Mexican Navy

IMLI graduates working in the Mexican Navy gave lectures on Law of the Sea, Law of Maritime Safety, Protection and Prevention from Pollution of the Marine Environment, and Maritime Security. They also shared their experience at IMLI and how they apply the knowledge acquired for the benefit of the Navy and international maritime community. The IMLI graduates also encouraged their colleagues to prepare professionally for them to be considered in the future as IMLI students.
Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) noted, “The Institute has long-standing relations with the Mexican Navy and has over the years trained some of its finest officers who are making a valuable contribution to the Navy as well as in the implementation and enforcement of the rule of international maritime law in their country. This initiative reflects the role of IMLI in enhancing capacity-building worldwide, especially in developing countries. I have always stated that IMLI graduates are the Institute’s best Ambassadors and this Conference confirms this belief. The Institute is very proud of them.”

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