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IMLI'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATED IN BRAZIL

At working meeting of Operative Network of Regional Cooperation of Maritime Authorities of the Americas (Red Operativa de Cooperación Regional de las Autoridades Marítimas de las Américas (ROCRAM)) on 7 August 2019 Commander Wellington Camacho Nogueira (Directorate of Ports and Coasts, Brazilian Maritime Authority, Brazil) delivered a presentation "30th Anniversary of International Maritime Law Institute" in honour of IMLI's long term establishment and achievements.



IMLI graduates (left to right): Commander Wellington Camacho Nogueira from Brazil (Class 2012-2013), JT. Carolina Riesco Fuenzalida from Chile (Class 2009-2010) and S.P. Paula Beatriz Grillo from Argentina (Class 2005-2006)

Mr. Camacho Nogueira's presentation introduced ROCRAM participants to the work of IMLI and the unique contribution of IMLI graduates to the work of the International Maritime Organisation (IMO).

In this respect he emphasized the importance of IMLI's role as an international centre for the training of specalists and its contribution to the development and dissemination of knowledge and expertise in international maritime law. The participants were reminded that the duty to ratify and effectively implement relevant IMO Conventions is the responsibility of States and that they are expected to play a pivotal role in guiding their respective States to comply with these obligations.

The presentation was very appreciated by the ROCRAM participants and it recognised IMLI as elite international educational centre.

Commander Camacho Nogueira congratulated IMLI for over 30 years of successful role in the service of international maritime law and expressed his sincere gratitude to Professor David Attard and his staff for the possibility to study at IMLI.

ROCRAM is a Latin American maritime network, which has since the early 1980's collaborated closely with the IMO in the process of ratification of international maritime conventions.

Graduates of IMLI who attended ROCRAM meeting were: *S.P. Paula Beatriz Grillo* from Argentina (Class 2005-2006), *JT. Carolina Riesco Fuenzalida* from Chile (Class 2009-2010), *Commander Wellington Camacho Nogueira* from Brazil (Class 2012-2013) and *Ms. Florencia Otero* from Argentina (Class 2015-2016).

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