



GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE MALTA INTERNATIONAL SHIPOWNERS ASSOCIATION LECTURES AT IMLI

Mr. Lino Vassallo (General Secretary, Malta International Shipowners Association) delivered a set of lectures on “*International Organizations*” to the IMLI Class of 2019/2020.

Mr. Vassallo’s lectures provided the students with an overview of IMO and other international organizations that operate at an international level and fall under the umbrella of the United Nations. He gave an overall view of the basic structure of such organizations, their objectives and functions and the important role they play in international law. The lectures were delivered from an academic point of view enriched, by Mr. Vassallo’s vast experience in participating actively in the work of international organizations, particularly IMO.



Mr. Lino Vassallo and the Class of 2019/2020

Mr. Lino Vassallo has been involved in the maritime industry on the official side since 1973. Uninterruptedly for nineteen years since 1992 he was the Executive Director Merchant Shipping within the Malta Maritime Authority and Transport Malta and thus ex officio the Registrar-General of Shipping and Seamen.

Mr Vassallo has been participating in the meetings of IMO since 1977 and was Malta's Permanent Representative to IMO until 2018. Between 1997 and 2011 he was the first Chairman of the Mediterranean Memorandum of Understanding on Port State Control.

Mr Vassallo is currently the General Secretary of the Malta International Shipowners Association and Alternate Director on the Board of the European Community Shipowners' Associations. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport and Honorary Member of the Malta Maritime Law Association.

In 2009 he was awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws *Honoris Causa* by IMLI.

Mr Vassallo is a firm believer in the IMO Training Programme and a long standing friend and supporter of the Institute and its work. He constantly emphasises the importance of self-help and stresses on technical cooperation rather than technical assistance.

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