IMLI COMMENCES ITS COURSE ON THE LAW OF PORTS

The IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) inaugurated on 2 January 2020 its newly launched Course on the Law of Ports.

The purpose of the Course, following the Hutchinson Ports/IMO/IMLI Seminar on "Do ports need international regulation?" held at the IMO Headquarters in London on 9 September 2019, is to raise awareness on the emerging legal and operational problems ports are currently facing. During the Course, which will be held between January and March 2020, distinguished academics will lecture on the subject from various perspectives and will discuss the challenges to be overcome in the decade to come.

The Course is tailor-made to cover the extensive amount of topics regarding port operations in conjunction with the work of IMO for the efficient management of ports and the effective implementation by States of their obligations acquired by international instruments including conventions and prescriptions dealing with, inter alia, environmental protection, security, safety and facilitation.

Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) addressing the participants during the Inaugural Lecture
The Inaugural Lecture was delivered by Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI). During his lecture, Professor Attard highlighted the importance of the work of IMO towards the administration and regulation of ports.

IMLI was established under the auspices of IMO and for the last three decades has been spearheading the dissemination of knowledge and expertise in international maritime law, with particular focus on the instruments adopted by IMO and their incorporation and effective implementation into domestic legislation. Hence, organizing such Course is befitting to the Institute and its mandate.

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