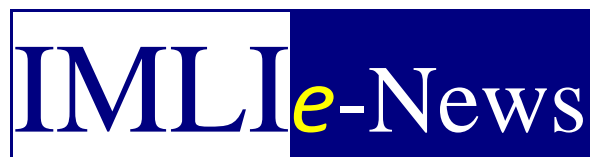


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Dr. Rosalie Balkin lecturing at IMLI

IMLI had the honour to host two lectures of Dr. Rosalie Balkin, Director of Legal Affairs and External Relations Division of the International Maritime Organization (IMO). Dr. Balkin, a longstanding friend and supporter of the Institute, has been a visiting lecturer at IMLI's LL.M. programme for a number of years.

This academic year Dr. Balkin's first lecture focused on the legal framework of IMO as an intergovernmental body, its relationship with the United Nations and the role that IMO, as a standard-setting Organization, plays in the regulation of international shipping. Her second lecture dealt particularly with the work and functions of the IMO Legal Committee.

Dr. Balkin's first lecture took place on the 30th of September 2010 and was officially the inaugural lecture of IMLI's 22nd annual LL.M. programme. After the inaugural lecture Dr. Balkin presided over the "IMLI Flag Raising Ceremony" during which IMLI participants placed their national flags at the Institute premises. The "IMLI Flag Raising Ceremony" was also attended by the Australian High Commissioner H.E. Ms. Anne Marie Quinine.



Dr. Rosalie Balkin with Prof. David Attard, H.E. Ms. Ann Marie Quinane and the 22nd generation of IMLI lawyers

Dr. Rosalie Balkin has held the position of Director of Legal Affairs and External Relations Division of the IMO, since 1998. Prior to that she was Assistant Secretary in the Office of International Law at the Federal Attorney-General's Department in Canberra, Australia and has also held academic posts at a number of universities, including University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, South Africa; Melbourne and New South Wales Universities in Australia and Cambridge University, U.K. She has published extensively in the field of public international

law. In 2009 Dr. Balkin published with her co-author, the fourth edition of a textbook on the Law of Torts. Before joining IMO Dr. Balkin headed the Australian delegation to the IMO Legal Committee and was, for a number of years, Vice-Chairman of that Committee.

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