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OXFORD UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR DELIVERS IMLI'S ANNUAL COURSE ON CARRIAGE OF GOODS BY SEA

Professor Francis M.B. Reynolds, Q.C. (Hon.) (Barrister / Professor Emeritus, University of Oxford) delivered his course of lectures on the "Carriage of Goods by Sea". His lectures were very well received by the IMLI students who noted that Professor Reynolds enriched his lectures with a number of practical examples based on actual disputed law cases and real commercial documents.



Professor Francis M.B. Reynolds, Q.C. (Hon.) meeting students of the Class 2011/2012

Through his explanations students had the opportunity to gain a detailed understanding of bills of lading and charterparty contracts and rights and obligations arising under them. During his lectures, Professor Reynolds also examined the nature and functions of other transport documents, rights and liabilities pertaining to different types of charterparties, as well as the relationship between the charter, the bill of lading and other transport documents.

Professor Reynolds' lectures place the subject of the Carriage of Goods by Sea in the broader context of international trade, touching on topics such as contracts of international sale of goods and the role of banks in the facilitation of financing arrangements for such sales.

When asked about his impressions on this academic year's experience, Professor Reynolds noted that he always enjoys his visits to Malta and that the students were as good as usual, and if anything better.

Professor Reynolds is an Emeritus Fellow of Worcester College, Oxford. He is a Fellow of the British Academy, a Titulary Member of the Comité Maritime International, and formerly a Visiting Professor at University College London, University of Auckland, University of Sydney, University of Melbourne, University of Hong Kong, Monash University and the National University of Singapore.

Professor Reynolds has been a visiting lecturer at IMLI for 15 years and his longstanding academic support to the Institute is of an immense value and importance.

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