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IMLI'S 23rd ANNUAL GRADUATION CEREMONY

The IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) will hold its 23rd Graduation Ceremony on 5 May 2012 at the Malta Maritime Museum in Vittoriosa. The ceremony which will commence at 10.30 a.m. will be presided by Mr. Efthimios E. Mitropoulos, Chairman of the IMLI Governing Board and will be attended by many distinguished personalities. The Ceremony will be also attended by the new IMO Secretary-General, Mr. Koji Sekimizu, who will visit Malta for the first time.

During the Graduation Ceremony 37 students from 28 countries, a record number in the history of the Institute, will be awarded the Degree of Master of Laws (LL.M.) in International Maritime Law. Two more students will be awarded an Advanced Diploma in International Maritime Law. Their graduation is the culmination of a very intensive year of studies in all the areas of international maritime law, including law of the sea, shipping law, marine environmental law, international maritime security law and maritime legislation drafting.



IMLI Class of 2011/2012

In a message to the graduating class, Mr. Sekimizu noted that "It is a great pleasure to witness a graduation class leave the Institute to make their way in the world and I have no doubt that, like those who went before, the Class of 2012 will make a significant contribution towards the goals of IMO and its Members when they return to their home countries."

During the Graduation Ceremony the IMLI "Award for Meritorious Contribution towards the Progressive Development and Codification of International Maritime Law" will be bestowed on the Comité Maritime International. Mr. Karl Johan-Gombrii, President of the Comité Maritime International, will receive the Award on behalf of the Comité.

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