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Professor Francis Reynolds Q. C. is currently delivering a series of lectures on the "Carriage of Goods by Sea".



Prof. Francis Reynolds Q. C. lecturing to IMLI Class 2006-2007

Professor Reynolds' lectures are focused on an introduction to the problems faced in charter parties and bills of lading that commonly arise, but the approaches and solutions to which vary from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. He also touches on contracts of sale, the responsibility of the carrier in such contracts, and the role of banks in the facilitation of financing arrangements for the international sale of goods, using actual disputed cases in law and real commercial documents.

When asked about the extent of unification of private law in the field of carriage of goods, he said that: *"The regime for the carriage of goods is fragmented because of the existence of* 

various international conventions and national laws regulating this area. It would be ideal if unification could happen, but I am sceptical whether it will be achieved."

Prof. Reynolds is a Professor Emeritus of Oxford University. 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, The University of Hong Kong, Monash University and The National University of Singapore.

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