



EMINENT JAPANESE PROFESSOR LECTURES AT IMLI

Professor Atsuko Kanehara, Professor of Public International Law at the Rikkyo University, Faculty of Law, Japan, was recently at IMLI and delivered a lecture on *“Recent Developments of Law Enforcement Measures on the High Seas and Their Impact on the Freedom of Navigation – Recent International Practices in the Fields of Fishery Regulation and Combating International Terrorism”*.



Professor Atsuko Kanehara, Rikkyo University Professor of Public International Law, with Professor David Attard and Nippon Foundation Scholars belonging to the Class of 2006-2007

Professor Kanehara discussed extensively the interrelationship between flag State jurisdiction, coastal State jurisdiction and port State jurisdiction as these relate to the exercise of the freedom of navigation by ships particularly in the exclusive economic zone of a coastal State. The discussion on the freedom of navigation was in turn correlated with the need of the coastal State to ensure the conservation of their fisheries resources and the protection their marine environment against pollution from ships. She

also explained recent international and national practices for the regulation of fisheries resources conservation, marine environment protection and the boarding and search procedures for vessels not only to combat terrorism as provided in the relevant conventions on the suppression of unlawful acts against the safety of maritime navigation but also to violations under the relevant conventions with respect to fisheries resources conservation.

Professor Kanehara is a member of the selection board of the Nippon Foundation which is in charge of screening government-nominated candidates for scholarship funding under the joint project of IMLI and Nippon Foundation entitled “Human Resources Development Project for the Advancement of a More Effective Legal Order for the Oceans”.

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