A SMALL INSTITUTION WITH A GLOBAL MISSION
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IMO INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW INSTITUTE (IMLI)

THE MISSION OF THE IMO INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW INSTITUTE IS TO ENHANCE CAPACITY-BUILDING IN ALL STATES, PARTICULARLY DEVELOPING STATES, TO CONTRIBUTE TO THEFULFILMENT OF THE IMO OBJECTIVES THEREBY PROMOTING SAFE, SECURE, ENVIRONMENTALLY SOUND, EFFICIENT AND SUSTAINABLE SHIPPING THROUGH COOPERATION.

WHAT IS IMLI?

IMLI was established in Malta in 1988 under an agreement concluded between the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the Government of Malta and started its first programme in 1989. Its main purpose was, and remains, to train officers, principally from developing countries, in international maritime law.

Since its inception, through its research and other appropriate post-graduate programmes and courses, the Institute has been spearheading the dissemination of knowledge and expertise in International Maritime Law and the general Law of the Sea, with special reference to IMO regulations and procedures for the safety, security and efficiency of shipping, prevention of marine pollution from ships, and protection of life at sea. IMLI also offers unique training and guided practice in the techniques of maritime legislation drafting. Candidates are expected to assimilate the modus operandi and methods of implementation of IMO conventions into national law.

Cognisant of the fact that ocean governance is critical to establish the safe and sustainable use of the oceans, IMLI has in 2019 enhanced its efforts to assist governments with developing the cadre of specialists necessary to shape national policies designed to achieve the Sustainable Developments Goals encapsulated in the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and a more effective global ocean governance in the interest of present and future generations.
As the Chairman of the Governing Board of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI), it is an honour for me to present the Annual Report of the Institute.

The reported activities for the year 2019 are a reflection of the Institute’s achievements. The Institute’s crucial work in the dissemination of knowledge in international maritime law, the undertaking of ground-breaking research and enhancement of capacity-building, especially in developing countries, plays a significant role in the realization of IMO’s goals. Indeed, IMLI has become a cornerstone of the IMO’s Technical Cooperation Programme.

The year 2019 was a very special one for the Institute, which celebrated its 30th anniversary in the service of the rule of international maritime law. It gave me great pleasure to host a Commemorative Seminar on this occasion, at the IMO Headquarters in London and welcome eminent personalities, including the Prime Minister of Malta, IMLI Board Members, IMO Member States representatives and IMLI alumni, to celebrate this important milestone. It was a moment of pride to witness the widespread appreciation of IMLI’s achievements over the past three decades.

IMO has adopted a multitude of instruments which govern every facet of the maritime sector, and to effectively incorporate international instruments into domestic legislation, skilled and duly qualified human resources at a national level are required.

Accordingly, capacity training remains a key priority for the Institute so as to ensure the adequate implementation and enforcement of IMO instruments in the domestic laws of its Member States.

As an Institution of higher learning, IMLI has continued to offer unique specialised training, focused on developing the necessary maritime legislation drafting skills of its students and thus ensuring that IMO Member States avail of this cadre of experts to develop a robust national legal framework which complies with international rules and standards.

Furthermore, the year 2019 bears witness to IMLI’s efforts to ensure that education and training are available to developed and developing countries. The completion of another successful academic year consolidated IMLI’s reputation and was testament to its valuable mission.

The graduating Class of 2019 included forty-eight students from thirty-six countries and recorded the representation of a large number of Small Island Developing States and Least Developed Countries. In September 2019, a record number of government officials registered their participation in the Institute’s programmes, demonstrating once again the importance of IMLI to capacity-building.
I note with immense satisfaction that a large majority of this student body consisted of female participants. The Institute’s policy to reserve 50% of the places to deserving female candidates was innovative in 1988 and is re-affirmed 30 years after its establishment. Visionary for its time, this policy has ensured that quality education is accessible equally to qualified men and women and, in empowering female professionals to become part of the maritime industry, has contributed to the promotion of gender equality. I record with pride that many of the Institute’s female alumnae are highly regarded professionals in the maritime world.

Aware of the essential role of the oceans in supporting life on earth, sustainable development, innovation, as well as in providing recreational uses and amenities, the Institute continued to focus in 2019 on global ocean governance issues.

Bearing in mind the Organization’s expanded mandate for a positive impact on global ocean governance, particularly with regard to the security of the oceans, the Institute encouraged research on global ocean governance issues with the view to promoting a harmonised and integrated approach. The Institute’s training further strengthened its mission in enhancing capacity-building for a sustainable use of the oceans, in line with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), particularly SDG 14.

Cognizant of the importance of the IMO work for the efficient management of ports and the effective implementation by Member States of their treaty obligations, IMLI expanded its syllabi on the law of ports which address the role of IMO conventions and prescriptions such as environmental protection, security, safety and facilitation.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Director, Professor David Joseph Attard, and his dedicated staff for assisting IMO in its commitment to the training of government officials in international maritime law. Their sterling work has ensured that IMLI, through its training and research, contributes to the advancement of IMO’s mission and the capacity-building of nations around the world.

On behalf of IMO and the Institute’s Governing Board I wish to record my sincere thanks to the Institute’s donors who, over the past three decades, have believed in the Institute’s global mission and, through the provision of generous fellowships, have enabled over 1,000 maritime professionals to contribute to the development of maritime laws and policies which promote further IMO’s goals for safe, secure and efficient shipping on clean and sustainable oceans.
As the Director of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI), it is my great pleasure to present the 2019 Annual Report, which highlights the activities and achievements of our Institute in 2019.

This year was a milestone year in the history of the Institute marking three decades in the service of the rule of international maritime law. The Institute’s various celebrations culminated with a Commemorative Seminar kindly hosted by Mr. Kitack Lim (IMO Secretary-General and Chairman, IMLI Governing Board) at the IMO Headquarters in London on 25 June which brought together personalities from all fields of international maritime law and over 100 alumni who remain the Institute’s best ambassadors.

In order to consolidate further its reputation as a centre of excellence, throughout 2019 IMLI continued to disseminate knowledge and develop expertise in international maritime law, with special emphasis on maritime legislation drafting techniques for the incorporation and effective implementation by States of their treaty obligations, in particular those emanating from IMO instruments.

IMLI’s firm commitment towards the realisation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) continued throughout 2019. In particular, IMLI has contributed to the achievement of SDG 14 through its quality training and research in the areas of global ocean governance and law of the sea.

Its research led to the publication of the IMLI Treatise on Global Ocean Governance which has become a seminal work as it addressed global ocean governance in a comprehensive and interdisciplinary basis.

Written by 58 world leading experts, the three-volume Treatise examined the current state of ocean governance, its limitations including the lacunae and the weaknesses, and proposes actions to ensure an effective future governance strategy.

Guided by SDG 4 on “Quality education”, IMLI continued to provide quality teaching in international maritime law to maritime professionals from the developing States. In 2019, the vast majority of participants came from developing economies. Students from Djibouti, Gabon, St. Lucia, Somalia and Turks and Caicos represented their countries for the first time in any of the Institute’s programmes. In addition, government officers from over 30 other States, including Small Island States and Least Developed Countries, graduated from IMLI’s programmes. It gives me great pleasure to report that a record number of 57 students, mainly from developing countries, entered the Institute’s portals on 30 September 2019 to commence their studies at IMLI.

In the light of the Institute policy, dating back to 1988, of reserving fifty per cent of the places in its programmes for qualified women candidates, female participation in 2019 continued to grow. The Institute has trained nearly 500 women, thereby contributing to the realization of SDG 5.

It is with great pleasure that I record that IMLI’s efforts towards gender equality were acknowledged by the IMO Assembly - through its Resolution A.1147(31), entitled “Preserving the Legacy of the World Maritime Day Theme for 2019 and Achieving a Barrier-Free Working Environment for Women” - which stated:
“ [...] as far back as 1988, the Organization was in the vanguard of United Nations specialized agencies, as it put in place an institutional framework to incorporate a gender dimension into the Organization’s policies and procedures, including a 50% quota for women for one of its educational institutes, through the adoption of resolutions aimed at ensuring access to maritime training and employment opportunities for women in the maritime sector”.

For the twelfth consecutive year, the United Nations General Assembly recorded its appreciation for the Institute’s academic work. In its Resolution A/RES/74/19 on Oceans and the Law of the Sea, the United Nations highest body acknowledged the importance of IMLI’s work as a centre of education and training of specialists in maritime law, mainly from developing States, and confirmed its effective capacity-building role in the field of international law.

At IMLI we are conscious of the need to ensure that our training and teaching takes into account the latest developments in international maritime law. In this respect, the Institute continued to cooperate with IMO.

A reflection of this cooperation is the participation of IMLI in the IMO/IMLI/Hutchison Ports Seminar on ‘Do ports need international regulation?’ held at the IMO Headquarters in London on 9 September 2019 during the London Shipping Week.


In collaboration with the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), IMLI held the second annual International Fisheries Law Training Course. Senior Officers from Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador and Panama participated in the Training Course.

As part of the collaboration between IMLI, IMO and the World Maritime University (WMU), IMLI hosted the fourth Seminar on Maritime Transport Policy on 13-15 November 2019.

The Institute’s academic success is the result of various practices that have been put in place, such as its close co-operation with senior IMO officials who once again visited IMLI in 2019 in order to provide students with the IMO perspective on different issues, ranging from the law of ports, maritime security law, marine environmental law to maritime legislation drafting. These experts complemented the Distinguished Visiting Fellows Programme which in 2019 welcomed over 60 eminent practitioners and leading academics.

The year 2019 also witnessed the continuation of the very fruitful cooperation with the CMI and its national maritime law associations such as the French Maritime Law Association, the Malta Maritime Law Association, the Nigerian Maritime Law Association, the Slovenian Maritime Law Association, and the Spanish Maritime Law Association.

All these achievements would not have been possible without the commendable support of IMLI’s Governing Body and the valuable work of the academic and non-academic staff. I am particularly grateful to the IMO Secretary-General and Chairman of the IMLI Governing Board, Mr. Kitack Lim, for his continuous support and generous interest. I wish to express my deep appreciation to the Institute’s donors who, through the provision of fellowships, have enabled the Institute to train maritime law experts from all over the globe.

**Long Live IMLI!**
GOVERNANCE OF THE INSTITUTE

IMLI is governed by a Statute adopted by the IMO Assembly in 1988 and revised by the IMO Council during its 109th Session in 2012. In accordance with the Statute, IMLI’s governance structure consists of a Governing Board, an Academic Committee, a Financial and Human Resources Committee, and the Director.

GOVERNING BOARD

The IMLI Governing Board during its 33rd session (Dr. P. Griggs, CBE; Prof. A. Kanehara; Mr. L. Mbanefo; Dr. E. K. Mbiah; Dr. P. Boisson; Mr. J. Harrison; Prof. Dr. M. Pavliha; Mr. K. Lim; Prof. D. Attard; Ms. N. Karigithu; Amb. V. Camilleri; Mr. J. J. Shiundu)

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MR. J. J. SHIUNDU

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DIRECTOR, IMO
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ACTING DIRECTOR, TECHNICAL COOPERATION DIVISION, IMO
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SECRETARY-GENERAL EMERITUS, IMO

The IMLI Governing Board is chaired by the IMO Secretary-General and is composed of eminent personalities from around the world with expertise in different areas of international maritime law and maritime affairs.

The Governing Board is assisted by the Director, the Financial and Human Resources Committee in matters relating to the funding and finances of the Institute and on administrative matters, including personnel, and the Academic Committee in matters related to the coordination and implementation of the study and research programmes of the Institute.

The Governing Board held its 33rd meeting on 24 June 2019. The Board commended the Director, the Academic Committee and Financial and Human Resources Committee on the work carried out during the year under review to ensure that the Institute maintains its high academic standards and continues in its mission to serve the rule of international maritime law. The Board approved Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines that the Institute developed in consultation with the said Committees and which provide a comprehensive regulatory framework to govern the Institute’s activities. The Board congratulated the Institute’s Director and staff for their 30 years of serving the rule of international law and expressed its appreciation for the Commemorative Seminar hosted by the IMO Secretary-General to celebrate this milestone. It further congratulated the Institute for its recognition by the United Nations General Assembly which, for 11 consecutive years, through its yearly Resolution on “Oceans and law of the sea” has acknowledged the importance of IMLI’s work as a centre of education and training of government legal advisers, mainly from developing States, and has confirmed its effective capacity-building role in the field of international law. The Board also congratulated the Institute for its recognition by the IMO Bodies, and expressed appreciation to the Institute’s donors for supporting the Institute’s activities. The Board also reviewed the financial standing of the Institute, approved its budget for 2019, and noted with satisfaction the unqualified opinion of the External Auditors.
DIRECTOR
The Director of the Institute, appointed by the IMO Secretary-General, continued to be responsible for the direction and administration of the Institute. He continued to supervise the admissions process and managed the Institute's academic programmes and courses. The Director continued to manage the Institute's personnel in accordance with general policies and criteria approved by the Governing Board. The Director continued with his efforts to obtain funds to finance the Institute, which remains dependant on voluntary contributions. In 2019, the Director was able to attract additional funding of nearly one million Euro to support the IMLI activities.

ACADEMIC COMMITTEE
In 2019, the Academic Committee continued to work assiduously to review and advise on the admission of students into the Institute's Research Degree Programme. The Academic Committee also continued to consider draft Memoranda of Understanding to establish cooperation between the Institute and other academic institutions as well as academic appointments at the Institute. During 2019, numerous applications for enrolment in the Institute's M.Jur. programme were submitted for the Academic Committee's consideration. Following the Committee's decisions, four applicants were accepted to the M.Jur. programme.

These applicants are currently undertaking research on the following topics: Ms. Nivedita Malliga Hosane (Mauritius) "Examining the Likely Effectiveness of the Draft International Convention on Foreign Sale of Ships and their Recognition"; Mr. Daniel Kihiko (Kenya) "Compensation for Trans-Boundary Pollution Damage from Offshore Oil and Gas Activities: Conceptualization of a Global Legal Framework"; Ms. Vivian Radha Rambarath-Parasram (Trinidad and Tobago) "Enabling the Blue Economy through Effective Maritime and Ocean Governance in the Caribbean Region"; and Mr. Francisco Gutiérrez Fiqueroa (Peru) "The Regulation of Marine Plastic Pollution as a Common Concern of Humankind

CHAIRMAN: PROF. D. ATTARD

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FINANCIAL AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE
The Financial and Human Resources Committee met twice in 2019, namely on 10 May and 6 November. In its meetings the Committee reviewed the Institute's finances, the external auditors report, and dealt with personnel issues, including the review of salaries.

CHAIRMAN: MR. J. HARRISON

MEMBERS:
PROF. D. ATTARD
DR. P. BOISSON
MR. C. TRELAWNY

Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI) holding a meeting with Minister S. Moon (Minister of Oceans and Fisheries, Republic of Korea)

Members of the IMLI Financial and Human Resources Committee meeting at IMO Headquarters

Mr. J. Harrison (Chairman, IMLI Financial and Human Resources Committee) holding a meeting at IMLI with Mr. A. DeMarco (Chairman, Investment and Ethical Standards Committee, IMLI), Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI), Dr. D. Spiteri (Internal Oversight Officer, IMLI) and Mr. J. Aguilar (Finance Officer, IMLI)
In 2019, the Institute’s resident faculty, under the supervision of the Director, continued to be responsible for the teaching of all subjects within the academic syllabi. The teaching of the resident faculty was complemented by the Distinguished Visiting Fellows Programme, which aims to introduce students to the latest developments and offers networking opportunities which should serve students well when they return to their home countries. In 2019, distinguished visiting fellows came from leading universities such as, London University and Oxford University; while others came from international institutions such as the IMO, the International Oil Pollution Compensation Funds (IOPC), the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS), the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the International Law Commission (ILC), the Comité Maritime International (CMI), and the International Chamber of Shipping (ICS). Other visiting fellows include eminent practitioners, diplomats and leading personalities in the maritime industry. A list of these distinguished visiting fellows is provided in pages 28-29 hereof.

The resident faculty also supervised 47 maritime legislation drafting projects and 47 dissertations / research projects, a list of which is provided in pages 30-32 hereof. A unique feature of the IMLI training is its dedicated personal attention to the students. In addition to academic supervisors, the Institute appoints a moral tutor for each student to give support of non-academic nature throughout the duration of studies.

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Advocate (India)
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MR. MURAT SUMER (TURKEY)
L.L.B. (Ankara University)
L.L.M. (Ankara University)
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Ph.D. (University of Aberdeen)
Barrister-at-Law and Solicitor
The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on Global Ocean Governance (2018-2019)

MS. SABINA DOLIC (SLOVENIA)
L.L.B. (University of Ljubljana)
L.L.M. (IMLI)
Lawyer (Slovenia)
Lecturer (2018-2019)

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STAFF GROUP
BY GENDER AS OF 31 DECEMBER 2019

Resident Faculty
A 50%
G 50%

Administrative and Secretarial Staff
A 31.9%
G 68.1%
IIMLI PROGRAMMES

DURING 2019, IIMLI OFFERED A PROGRAMME LEADING TO THE AWARD OF THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS (LL.M.) IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW, A PROGRAMME LEADING TO THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF HUMANITIES (M.HUM.) IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LEGISLATION, A RESEARCH DEGREE PROGRAMME LEADING TO THE AWARD OF THE DEGREES OF MAGISTER JURIS (M.JUR.) AND DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.) IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW, A PROGRAMME LEADING TO THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY (M.PHIL.) IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW AND OCEAN POLICY IN COOPERATION WITH WORLD MARITIME UNIVERSITY (WMU), A PROGRAMME LEADING TO THE AWARD OF AN ADVANCED DIPLOMA IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW, AND SEVERAL SHORT COURSES IN ALL AREAS WITHIN IIMLI’S SYLLABI.

LL.M. PROGRAMME IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW

The LL.M. programme in International Maritime Law was designed to respond to the shortage of legal experts, especially in the developing world, who possessed the necessary skills to incorporate and efficiently implement international instruments into domestic legislation. Whereas there has been a plethora of international instruments which regulate the multifaceted aspects of international maritime law, States have failed to translate them into effective national measures which will ensure uniform applicability across the oceans. Accordingly, the programme provides dedicated training in the drafting of maritime legislation, with emphasis on the techniques for the incorporation and implementation of IMO instruments into domestic legislation. With this in mind, the LL.M. programme not only studies maritime law from an international perspective, but looks on a comparative basis into the major legal systems in relation to maritime affairs. Through its international faculty composed of eminent academics, practitioners and members of the judiciary, the programme addresses current challenges facing the international maritime community and the various responses put forward to ensure safety of navigation, security of shipping, protection of the environment, safeguarding of human rights, and peaceful use of the oceans. This one academic year programme is open to candidates who hold a degree in law and are proficient in English.

M.HUM. PROGRAMME IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LEGISLATION

In 2017, the Institute launched a specialised postgraduate programme leading to the Degree of Master of Humanities (M.Hum.) in International Maritime Legislation. The M.Hum. programme is open to candidates who hold an undergraduate degree from a recognised university or other academic institution in a related discipline to international maritime law and are proficient in English. The programme was introduced as a response to the needs of IMO Member States to have trained specialists in international maritime legislation drafting. Intensive drafting exercises are carried out to build the students’ drafting skills so as to enable them to draft national legislation which effectively implements IMO instruments. The programme is suitable for qualified professionals working in the maritime field such as maritime administrations, port authorities, or other organizations concerned with maritime affairs.

RESEARCH DEGREE PROGRAMME IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW

IIMLI offers a Research Degree programme leading to the award of the Degree of Magister Juris (M.Jur.) in International Maritime Law and the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in International Maritime Law. Candidates are expected to undergo their studies in IIMLI’s Research Degree programme with a high degree of independence, thus, the programme can be largely undertaken from abroad. Candidates are assigned individual academic supervisors drawn from a list of internationally recognised experts.
M.PHIL PROGRAMME IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW AND OCEAN POLICY

In September 2017, IMLI and World Maritime University (WMU) launched a joint Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) programme in International Maritime Law and Ocean Policy designed to train expert maritime lawyers, immersed in the UN system structure and goals, to advocate sound policies and legislation which will support their sustainable development. This two-year programme recognises that the current legal and institutional framework for ocean governance is limited in dealing with the emerging challenges in the field. As a result, the programme has identified that the fragmentation of both legal and institutional framework has led to the adoption of well-intended action occasioning unintended consequences for the oceans. Thus, the need for a new paradigm of ocean governance captured by this initiative is geared towards ensuring the establishment of effective ocean governance for the 21st century and beyond, as reiterated in Goal 14 of the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

ADVANCED DIPLOMA PROGRAMME IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW

The Advanced Diploma programme in International Maritime Law is designed to benefit professionals (including those at the most senior level) involved in maritime practice in both private and public sectors and who, because of their careers, are unable to be away from their jobs for a period of more than a few weeks/months per year. The programme is structured on a credit system and, to be awarded the Advanced Diploma, candidates must earn a sufficient number of credits after successfully following and completing courses on distinct subject areas within either the Public International Maritime Law strand or the Private International Maritime Law strand. The credits offered broadly follow the subjects offered within the Institute’s LL.M. programme. Candidates are required to have a degree from a recognised university or other academic institution, or must have a comparable standard qualification, including relevant professional or practical experience, or both, recognised for this purpose by the Institute. This programme can be undertaken between one and five years.

SPECIALIZED SHORT COURSES

The Institute’s teaching in the Master’s programmes is based on a modular system which enables a small number of applicants to attend these modules as independent short courses. The duration of such courses ranges from one to several weeks, depending on the subject area. At the conclusion of each short course, a certificate of attendance is awarded. The short courses have attracted, over the years, a large number of participants who are especially interested in the training the Institute offers in a particular area. On request of government entities, the Institute also organises tailor-made specialized courses on areas of interest of government officials who register their participation.

How to apply:
More information regarding the IMLI’s programmes and courses is available on the IMLI website:
https://www.imli.org/content/programmes-and-courses

For information on admissions, please contact:
admissions@imli.org
During the academic year 2018-2019, enrollment in the LL.M. programme comprised of 40 students from 30 States, with students hailing from Gabon, Luxembourg, Somalia, St. Lucia, and Turks and Caicos joining for the first time any of the Institute’s Master’s programmes; seven students enrolled in the M.Hum. programme recording the participation of a student from Djibouti for the first time in any of the institute’s Master’s programmes; one student in the M.Phil. programme; six students in the M.Jur. programme; eight students in the Ph.D. programme; four students in the Advanced Diploma programme; and six students in the Short Courses on the Law of International Organizations; Nationality, Registration and Ownership of Ships; International Law of the Sea; International Maritime Security Law; and the Law of Marine Collisions.

The academic year 2018-2019 attracted 34 fellowships, of which 20 were awarded to women candidates. During this academic year, a total of 27 female students participated in the Institute’s Master’s programmes.
During the academic year 2019-2020 enrolment in the LL.M. programme comprised of 37 students from 26 States, with students hailing from Belarus and Sao Tome and Principe joining for the first time any of the Institute's Master's programmes; 12 students enrolled in the M.Hum. programme; two students in the M.Phil. programme; seven students in the M.Jur. programme; eight students in the Ph.D. programme; six students in the Advanced Diploma programme; and four students in the Short Courses on Introduction to Public International Law; Law of Pilotage; International Law of the Sea; and Law of Marine Insurance.

The academic year 2019-2020 attracted 40 fellowships, of which 23 were awarded to suitable qualified women candidates. A total of 28 female students are currently undertaking studies in the Institute's Master's programmes.

1. The IMLI Class of 2020 taking their oath of allegiance on 30 September 2019
2. Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI) meeting the IMLI Class of 2020
3. The IMLI Class of 2020 during a team work exercise
4. Mr. F. J. Kenney (Director, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, IMO) with Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI) and the Class of 2020
IMLI'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UN 2030 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

In 2019, through its intensive education, training, and research agenda, IMLI contributed towards the realization of several sustainable developments goals encapsulated in the UN 2030 Agenda for sustainable development.

In line with the spirit of Goal 14, Life below Water, the Institute provides quality training and research in the areas of ocean governance and law of the sea, as well as protection of the marine environment from pollution. Students are also encouraged to conduct research in those areas.

Goal 4, Quality Education, reflects the Institute's education mission. IMLI provides the platform necessary to enhance capacity-building, particularly in the developing world, through quality training in international maritime law for sustainable development across the globe.

IMLI has taken a proactive stance to achieve Goal 5, Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women and Girls, by way of mandating in its admissions process that fifty (50) percent of places in the Institute is reserved for suitably qualified female candidates.

To achieve Goal 7, 13 and 17 that aim to ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all; take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts; and revitalise the global partnership for sustainable development, respectively; and in line with Goal 14, IMLI, together with The Nippon Foundation, prepared “The IMLI Treatise on Global Ocean Governance”. The Treatise covers different areas of ocean governance such as the protection and preservation of the marine environment, maritime security, protection of biodiversity, and climate change.

To champion Goals 9 and 16 that aim to build resilient infrastructure, promote sustainable industrialization and foster innovation, and just, peaceful and inclusive societies, the Institute offers courses on international maritime law to enhance specialization of individuals working in the shipping industry, incentive business and ensure best practices.
Throughout 2019, "The IMLI Treatise on Global Ocean Governance", under the general editorship of Professor Attard, continued to receive widespread appreciation. Published by Oxford University Press, the Treatise is the product of the fruitful collaboration between IMLI and The Nippon Foundation. In its three volumes, the Treatise deals with "The United Nations (UN) and Global Ocean Governance", "The UN Specialized Agencies and Global Ocean Governance", and "IMO and Global Ocean Governance", respectively. The publication contains studies by 58 leading experts on crucial areas of ocean governance. IMO Member States also continued to obtain copies of "The IMLI Manual on International Maritime Law" which has become a reliable source of international maritime law used by government officials, academics, and practitioners.

In January 2019, Professor Norman Martinez succeeded Professor David Attard as General Editor of the book series "IMLI Studies in International Maritime Law". Published by Routledge simultaneously in London and New York, the Series is dedicated to the publishing of original, scholarly contributions that analyse key issues in international maritime law, which are of interest to an audience of students, scholars and practitioners in international maritime law. Four new titles, "Autonomous Ships and the Law", "Joint Development of Shared Oil and Gas Resources in International Law", "The Straight Bill of Lading", and "Laytime and Demurage" have been approved in 2019 while others are being considered for publication under the Series.

A book entitled "Celebrating 30 years in the Service of the Rule of International Maritime Law" was published by the Institute with the support of the IMO Technical Cooperation Division and was launched on 25 June 2019. The commemorative publication records the journey of IMLI from its modest beginnings to today’s achievements as a world leader in the teaching of international maritime law. It includes a foreword by the IMO Secretary-General and many articles by distinguished personalities who recorded their contribution to IMLI over the past three decades.

The Institute issues weekly electronic newsletters that are distributed to over 145 States and which contain the latest IMLI news and interviews with renowned personalities who visit the Institute. In 2019, the Institute published 84 issues of the electronic newsletter. The Institute also published two IMLI News - a four page printed newsletter - which highlighted important academic events and developments of the Institute together with alumni achievements. On the occasion of its Graduation Ceremony, IMLI published its Graduation Brochure recording the academic successes achieved in 2019.
ACADEMIC CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

In 2019, IMLI continued to collaborate closely with IMO divisions, in particular those related to Technical Cooperation, Legal Affairs and External Relations, Maritime Safety and Marine Environment; as well as organising lectures by senior IMO officials. IMLI hosted a maritime transport policy seminar in cooperation with IMO and WMU. Mr. Jonathan Pace (Acting Chief, Subdivision for Programme Management and Coordination, Technical Cooperation Division, IMO) and Prof. Dr. Henning Jessen (Associate Professor, WMU) delivered the two-day seminar. Additionally, key figures in international maritime law continued to deliver theme specific lectures and participate in the Distinguished Visiting Fellows Programme. These included, amongst others, eminent personalities from the ICJ; ITLOS, the Legal Office of FAO; UNCTAD, CMI; IOPC Funds; the WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute; and the Stockton Centre for International Law, U.S. Naval War College.
Further to a Co-operation Agreement between the Institute and the International Foundation for the Law of the Sea (IFLOS), the Director of the Institute and Professor Norman Martinez delivered a set of lectures within the framework of the 13th IFLOS Summer Academy on “Promoting Ocean Governance and the Peaceful Settlement of Disputes”, which took place in Hamburg.

On the invitation of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Korea and of the Korean Society of International Law, Professor David Attard moderated the session on “Climate Change and the Law of the Sea” at the 2019 International Conference on the Law of the Sea held in Seoul.

Further to the conclusion in 2017 of a Co-operation Agreement between the Institute and the International Ocean Institute (IOI), Professor Norman Martinez delivered a set of lectures at the seventh “Training Programme on the Sustainable Development and Governance of the Caspian Sea” in Turkmenbashi, Turkmenistan.
ACADEMIC CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

8 JANUARY 2019
PRESIDENT OF ICJ LECTURES AT IMLI
His Excellency Judge Abdulqawi A. Yusuf (President, International Court of Justice) visited the Institute on 8 January 2019 and delivered a lecture on “The Contribution of the International Court of Justice to Contemporary Law of the Sea” to the IMLI Class of 2018-2019.

28 MARCH 2019
IMLI DIRECTOR ADDRESSES THE IMO LEGAL COMMITTEE
Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) addressed the IMO Legal Committee at its 106th Session at the IMO Headquarters, London on 28 March 2019 where he presented the report on IMLI’s activities for the academic years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.

25 JUNE 2019
IMLI DIRECTOR ADDRESSES THE IMO TECHNICAL COOPERATION COMMITTEE
Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) addressed the IMO Technical Cooperation Committee at its 69th Session at the IMO Headquarters, London on 25 June 2019 where he presented the report on IMLI’s activities for the academic years 2017-2018 and 2018-2019.

5 MARCH 2019
INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON "THE ROLE OF MARITIME LAW IN EAST ASIAN MARITIME RELATIONS"
IMLI together with the Embassy of Japan to Malta jointly organised the workshop on "The Role of Maritime Law in East Asian Maritime Relations".

10 APRIL 2019
IMLI 30TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE LECTURE
Dr. Patrick Griggs CBE (Former President, the Comité Maritime International (CMI)) visited IMLI between 8 and 10 April and delivered the Institute’s 30th Anniversary Commemorative Lecture on 10 April 2019. This lecture was part of a series of events marking IMLI’s 30 years in the service of the rule of international maritime law.

4 DECEMBER 2019
IMLI DIRECTOR ADDRESSES THE IMO ASSEMBLY
Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) addressed the IMO Assembly at its 31st Session at the IMO Headquarters, London on 4 December 2019 where he presented the report on IMLI's activities for the period August 2017 to August 2019 where he highlighted the Institute's continued efforts to train international maritime law experts and legal drafters, and promote capacity-building.
IMLI SEMINAR ON EMPOWERING WOMAN IN MARITIME AFFAIRS

The Institute, which was the first in the United Nations system to mandate that 50 per cent of the places in its programmes are reserved for qualified women candidates, celebrated World Maritime Day 2019 on 26 April 2019. To commemorate 2019 year’s theme, IMLI held an International Seminar on Empowering Women in Maritime Affairs. The Seminar aimed to encourage participation of women in maritime affairs, including equal rights of access to quality education, engagement in the development of international maritime law, active participation in maritime practice, inclusion of women in the shipping and trade sector, and representation in international fora. The Seminar compliments the efforts of IMO in raising awareness on the need to empower women in the maritime sector and, in line with World Maritime Day theme “Empowering Women in the Maritime Community”, served as an opportunity to raise awareness on the importance of gender equality, in line with the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and to highlight the vital contribution of women within the maritime industry.
GRADUATION CEREMONY
15 JUNE 2019

IMLI held its 30th annual Graduation Ceremony on Saturday 15 June 2019 at the Malta Maritime Museum, Vittoriosa. During the Graduation Ceremony, 48 students (from 36 countries) graduated from the Institute’s programmes. 39 students were awarded the Degree of Master of Laws (LL.M.) in International Maritime Law, one student was awarded the Diploma in International Maritime Law and seven students were awarded the Degree of Master of Humanities (M.Hum.) in International Maritime Legislation. One student was awarded the Degree of Magister Juris (M.Jur.) in International Maritime Law in absentia.
During the 2019 Graduation Ceremony selected students were awarded the following prizes:

1. IMO Secretary-General’s Prize for Best Dissertation given to Ms. Kamyla Alejandra Barrientos Pineda (Guatemala)
2. Professor Walter Müller Prize for the Best Maritime Legislation Drafting Project given to Mr. Mohd Nurrul Faiz Mohd Taib (Malaysia)
3. Sasakawa Prize for the Best Performing Nippon Foundation Scholar given to Ms. Barbara Ujlaki (Luxembourg)
4. Transport Malta Prize for Best Performance in Shipping Law given to Lt. Luis Arturo Morales Breton (Mexico)
5. LRF Prize for the Best Performing Lloyd’s Register Foundation Scholar given to Mr. Andrianirina Felicien Rabutin (Madagascar)
6. Maltese Government Prize for Best Performance in the Law of the Sea given to Ms. Sofiya Shvelidze (Kazakhstan)
7. Dr. Kofi Mbiah’s Prize for the Best Performing African Scholar given to Mr. Nana Osei Adutwum (Ghana)
8. ITF Seafarers’ Trust Prize on Seafarer’s Law given to Mr. David Jincharadze (Georgia)
9. Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport Malta Branch Prize for Best Performance in Maritime Transport Law given to Lt. Cdr. Nasnaranpattiyage Don Chamira Jude Manilka Wickramasinghe (Sri Lanka)
10. REMPEC Marine Environment Law Prize given to Ms. Safiya Moore (Trinidad and Tobago)
11. The CMI Prize for Best Overall Performance given to Ms. Maja Radunovic (Montenegro)

Photos on the left:
1. Mr. K. Lim (Secretary-General, IMO), Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI), Dr. C. Doumbia-Henry (President, WMU) with Prof. G. Theocharidis, IMLI Faculty Members and the IMLI Graduands
2. H.E. Dr. G.Vella (President of Malta) accompanied by Mr. K. Lim (Secretary-General, IMO), Minister C. Abela (Minister, Foreign Affairs and Trade Promotion of Malta), Minister J. Mizzi (Minister for Energy and Water Management of Malta), Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI) and Dr. C. Doumbia-Henry (President, WMU)
3. Mr. K. Lim (Secretary-General, IMO) and Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI)
4. Mr. K. Lim (Secretary-General, IMO) with Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI) and IMLI Resident Faculty Members
IMO CELEBRATED IMLI’S 30TH ANNIVERSARY
25 JUNE 2019

On 25 June 2019, Mr. Kitack Lim (IMO Secretary-General and Chairman, IMLI Governing Board) hosted at the IMO Headquarters in London a Commemorative Seminar to celebrate IMLI’s 30th anniversary. The Seminar was organised during the 69th Technical Cooperation Committee’s meeting and was attended by Members of the IMLI Governing Board, representatives of IMO Member States, academic institutions and the maritime community, as well as by IMLI alumni from all over the world.

On the occasion, Mr. Lim acknowledged the long-standing exceptional contribution of Professor David Attard and expressed his sincere gratitude to the Government of Malta, the many donors and other institutions, both public and private, without whose support IMLI’s success would not have been possible.
1. Mr. K. Lim (Secretary-General, IMO) with Judge J. Paik (President, ITLOS), Ms. A. Szczepanski (Strategic Planning Support Officer, Executive Office of the Secretary-General (EOSG), IMO) and Professor D. Attard (Director, IMLI) at the IMO Headquarters on the occasion of the Commemorative Seminar
2. Mr. J. Harrison (Vice Chairman of the IMLI Governing Board) delivering his address
3. Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI) delivering his address
4. Mr. K.Lim (Secretary-General, IMO), Mr. J. Bugeja (Secretary-General, General Workers' Union, Malta), Ms. K. Higginbottom (Head, ITF Seafarers' Trust), Minister I. Borg (Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects of Malta) and Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI)
5. IMLI Alumni attending the Commemorative Seminar;
6. Judge J. Paik (President, ITLOS) delivering his address
7. Mr. K. Lim (Secretary-General, IMO) and Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI) cutting the IMLI Anniversary cake in the presence of Dr. I. Borg (Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects of Malta)
8. Mr. K. Lim (Secretary-General, IMO) presenting Prof. D. Attard (Director, IMLI) with a letter of appreciation and commemorative award for his outstanding contribution to IMLI
9. Members of IMLI Governing Board attending the Commemorative Seminar
10. -12. IMLI graduates attending the Commemorative Seminar
FELLOWSHIP DONORS
The Nippon Foundation - IMLI Cooperation

IMLI and The Nippon Foundation established in 2003 a joint project entitled “Human Resources development Project for the Advancement of a More Effective Global Legal Order for the Oceans”. Mr. Yohei Sasakawa (Chairman of The Nippon Foundation), accompanied by a high-level Delegation of Executives paid an official visit to IMLI on 26 March 2004 for the official launching of the Project.

The aim of this common undertaking is to contribute to the promotion, adoption, effective implementation and enforcement of international maritime conventions adopted under the aegis of the United Nations and of the IMO, and to encourage a greater participation by developing States, particularly Asian, in the major international maritime law conventions and legal instruments.

In 2019, the Project sponsored the studies of an additional 15 fellows who now form part of a formidable network of 183 maritime experts from 73 States who are making a positive impact on their countries and international fora. In 2019, the Project expanded further its contribution by sponsoring a fourth teaching position at the Institute. The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on International Maritime Law joined the Professor on Marine Environmental Law and the Lecturers on International Maritime Security Law, and Global Ocean Governance.

Mr. M Unno (Executive Director, The Nippon Foundation) addressing the Graduation Ceremony
The IMO - IMLI Cooperation

IMO continued to support IMLI’s activities. In 2019, IMO sponsored the studies of 11 fellows (one student co-funded with the Government of Saudi Arabia) from developing States, including Small Island States and Least Developed Countries. Thanks to the generosity of the Organization, to date, 196 maritime experts from 84 States have received training in the Institute’s LL.M. and M.Hum. programmes since the Institute’s inception. In addition, the IMO Technical Cooperation Division, sponsored in 2019 the visits to IMLI of senior IMO officials who lectured on the latest developments in the areas of maritime safety, maritime security, protection of the marine environment as well as delivered lectures on maritime legislation drafting which enhanced the IMLI students expertise in the field.

The LRF - IMLI Cooperation

The Lloyd’s Register Foundation financed the studies of three deserving government nominated candidates in 2019. Providing fellowships since 2002, the support of the Foundation has allowed 44 lawyers from 37 States to receive training in international maritime law and contributing to the Foundation's goals to enhance the safety of life and property at sea and to advance education in related technical field.

The ITF Seafarers’ Trust - IMLI Cooperation

In 2019, IMLI and the ITF Seafarers’ Trust further consolidated their cooperation by signing a Cooperation Agreement wherein the Trust committed to provide yearly fellowships to five deserving candidates for the period 2019-2024. For the academic year 2019-2020 the first five students hailing from developing countries which need to enhance their capacity in labour laws to ensure safe and decent working conditions on board vessels have benefitted from the Trust’s funds.

National Governments - IMLI Cooperation

In 2019, the Government of Malaysia supported IMLI through the provision of two fellowships for candidates applying to its LL.M. and M.Hum. programmes. Similar financial assistance was received by the Government of Saudi Arabia which enabled the training at IMLI of three government officials (one co-sponsored with IMO) from developing economies. The Governments of Ghana, Malta, Republic of Korea and Singapore also provided financial contributions to IMLI.
## REVENUE (IN EURO)

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## EXPENDITURE

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## OPERATING INCOME

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## FUND BALANCES AND RESERVES (IN EURO)

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The Institute has steadily built up its Reserve Fund, attributed to surplus it generated over the years since its inception which is transferred to form part of the Fund Balances and Reserves.

The Fund Balances and Reserves of EUR 3.6 million can cover 185% or 22 months of sustainable support for a calendar year of operation of the Institute.

In the beginning of 2020, the external auditor of IMO, the Auditor-General of Ghana, conducted the annual audit of IMLI’s financial statements for the year 2019 and thereafter issued an unqualified audit opinion. The Auditor-General declared further that IMLI is in a position to meet its current liabilities as and when they fall due.

*The above figures are based on the Institute’s audited financial statements*
A limited number of full fellowships are available to IMLI students annually on a competitive basis. The following donors provided fellowships in 2019:

- The Nippon Foundation of Japan (15)
- International Maritime Organization (10)
- International Transport Worker’s Federation (ITF) Seafarers’ Trust (5)
- Lloyd’s Register Foundation (3)
- Government of Malaysia (2)
- Government of Saudi Arabia (2+1 co-funded)
- Malta Ministry for Foreign Affairs (1 co-funded)
The Honourable Minister Carmelo Abela (Malta)
Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade Promotion of Malta
Mr. Julián Abril (Spain)
Head of Facilitation, IMO
Capt. Moin Ahmed (Bangladesh)
Director General, IMSO
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Head of Maritime and Insurance Law Department Marmara University, Istanbul
Prof. Kevin Aquilina (Malta)
Dean of the Faculty of Laws, University of Malta
Prof. Ignacio Arroyo (Spain)
Lawyer, Former President of the Spanish Association of Maritime Law
Ms. Elena Bernini (Italy)
Founder and CEO of Oxford Omnia International
Mr. Archie Bishop (the United Kingdom)
Consultant, Holman Fenwick & Willan Law Firm
Prof. Augustin Blanco-Bazán (Argentina)
International Lawyer and Consultant
Dr. Philippe Boisson (France)
Legal Consultant to Bureau Veritas, Paris
The Honourable Minister Dr. Ian Borg (Malta)
Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Capital Projects
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English Solicitor
Capt. David Bugeja (Malta)
Chief Officer & Harbour Master Ports & Yachting Directorate Transport Malta
Ms. Violeta Bulc (Slovenia)
European Commissioner for Mobility and Transport
Ms. Helen Buni (the United Kingdom)
Focal Point, the Women in Maritime Programme, Technical Cooperation Division of the IMO
Mr. Richard Case (the United Kingdom)
Senior Claims Director, Thomas Miller & Co., Managers of the UK P&I Club
The Honourable Minister Dr. Helena Dalli (Malta)
Minister for EU Affairs and Equality
Dr. Hichen Dammak (Tunisia)
Lawyer
Dr. Heike Deggim (Germany)
Director of the Maritime Safety Division, IMO
Ms. Astrid Dispert (Brazil)
Technical Adviser to the GEF-UNDP-IMO GloMEEP Project, IMO
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Prof. Mary Durfee (the United States of America)
Professor Emerita of Government at Michigan Technological University
Dr. Reto Dürrler (Switzerland)
Head Swiss Maritime Navigation Office
Prof. Peter Ehlers (Germany)
Former President, German Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency
Dr. Mahin Faghfouri (Iran)
Former Chief of Maritime Legislation / Legal Section in UNCTAD
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Master Mariner
Dr. Ann Fenech (Malta)
Vice-President, Executive Council, CMI
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Lawyer
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Ambassador of Chile to the Kingdom of the Netherlands and Permanent; Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons
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Former Director, International Oil Pollution Compensation (IOPC) Funds
Prof. Atsuko Kanehara (Japan)
Professor at Sophia University
Mr. Nobukatsu Kanehara (Japan)
Assistant Chief Cabinet Secretary and Deputy Secretary-General of the National Security Secretariat, Government of Japan Headquarters for Ocean Policy of Japan
Mr. Frederick J. Kenney (the United States of America)
Director, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, IMO
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Director, Legal Affairs, International Chamber of Shipping
Mr. Kensuke Kobayashi (Japan)
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Secretary-General, International Hydrographic Organization
Mr. Blaise Kuemlangan (Papua New Guinea)
Chief, Development Law Service (LEGN), Legal Office, FAO
Prof. Ronán Long (Ireland)
Director, Global Ocean Institute and Professor, WMU
Dr. Dorota Lost-Sieminska (Poland)
Deputy Director/Head, Legal Affairs Office, Legal Affairs and External Relations Division, IMO
Mr. David Martin-Clark (the United Kingdom)
Insurance and Shipping Consultant
Mr. Louis Mbanefo (Nigeria)
Patron of the Nigerian Maritime Law Association
Mrs. Monica Mbanefo (Nigeria)
Former Director, Technical Cooperation Division, IMO
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Member of the Judiciary of Malta
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Professor of International Law and Public Law at the University of Basel
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Minister-Counsellor Embassy of Japan to Malta
Professor Clive Schofield (Australia)
Head of Research, WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute, WMU
Mr. Frederick Sciulli (the United States of America)
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