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PROGRAMME

LAW OF TREATIES PROGRAMME

IMO International Maritime Law Institute



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PROGRAMME

For many years, the United Nations and its specialized agencies, have spearheaded the development of a robust international legal framework regulating various aspects of international law.

The International Maritime Organization, alone, has been successful in adopting over 60 international treaties which aim to provide a regulatory framework for the shipping industry that is fair and effective, universally adopted and universally implemented.

Accordingly, the accomplishment of the international community's goals, as encapsulated in the international policies and treaty rules, can only be achieved if States become Parties to these treaties and effectively implement them at a national level. This, in turn, requires a thorough understanding of the Law of Treaties.

To promote capacity-building in this very important field of law, the IMO International Maritime Law Institute is offering an intensive programme on the Law of Treaties consisting of two parts: Part A – Introduction to the Law of Treaties; Part B – Specialist Seminars on the Law of Treaties.

Through an analysis of the provisions of the 1969 Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties (VCLT) and developments found in jurisprudence and doctrine, this Programme provides, in its first part, an overview of the Law of Treaties with lectures discussing the relationship between treaties and customary international law, the States' expression of consent to be bound by treaties, treaty interpretation, third States and treaties, invalidity of treaties, methods of revision and amendment, duration and termination, UN global and regional treaties for the oceans, and enforcement of treaties. This part will be complemented by lectures delivered by IMO officers on the IMO treaty-making process and the implementation of IMO instruments in national law.

The second part of this Programme, which will be delivered in collaboration with Queen Mary University of London, will comprise specialist seminars on the abovementioned points and other fundamental aspects of the Law of Treaties drawing examples from jurisprudence and the latest developments in this important area.

It is expected that this Programme on the Law of Treaties will provide the knowledge required to promote a more active participation of State Representatives in the development and working of international treaties with particular emphasis on the treaties adopted under the auspices of the IMO.



PART A

INTRODUCTION TO THE LAW OF TREATIES

CONVENORS:

Professor David Attard in co-operation with Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez, Dr. Dorota Lost-Sieminska, Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja, Dr. Ángeles Jiménez García-Carriazo, Dr. Sanjeet Ruhel, Mr. Murat Sümer, and Ms. Ramat Jalloh.

LECTURES:

Introduction to the Law of Treaties: Definition, Capacity of States to Conclude Treaties, Full Powers, Adoption and Authentication of Text

Monday 30 November 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Relationship between Treaties and Customary International Law

Tuesday 1 December 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Consent to be Bound by Treaties: Means of Expressing Consent, Reservations and Declarations I & II

Wednesday 2 December 2020 from 12:00 to 14:10 CET

Intricacies of Treaty Interpretation

Friday 4 December 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

IMO Treaty-Making Process (Tacit Acceptance Procedure)

Tuesday 8 December 2020 from 14:30 to 15:30 CET

Implementing IMO Instruments: Turning International Conventions into National Law

Tuesday 8 December 2020 from 15:45 to 16:45 CET

Treaty Effects beyond the Parties

Friday 11 December 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Invalidity of Treaties, Jus Cogens, and the UN Charter

Monday 14 December 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Final Provisions of a Treaty I: Entry into Force, Duration, and Termination

Tuesday 15 December 2020 from 12:00 to 13:00 CET

Final Provisions of a Treaty II: Revision and Amendment, Depositary and Official Languages

Tuesday 15 December 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

UN Global and Regional Treaties for the Oceans I: UNCLOS

Wednesday 16 December 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

UN Global and Regional Treaties for the Oceans II: Regional Seas Programme

Thursday 17 December 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Enforcement of Treaties

Friday 18 December 2020 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

PART B

SPECIALIST SEMINARS ON THE LAW OF TREATIES

CONVENORS:

Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice in co-operation with Ms. Agnes Rydberg.

SEMINARS:

Sources of International Law, with a Particular Emphasis on Treaties

Monday 11 January 2021 from 12:00 to 13:00 CET

Definition of a Treaty in International Law

Monday 11 January 2021 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Capacity to Conclude and Consent to be Bound by Treaties

Tuesday 12 January 2021 from 12:00 to 13:00 CET

Reservations and Entry into Force

Tuesday 12 January 2021 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Conflict of Treaties

Tuesday 12 January 2021 from 14:35 to 15:35 CET

Third States and Treaties

Tuesday 12 January 2021 from 15:45 to 16:45 CET

Interpretation of Treaties

Wednesday 13 January 2021 from 12:00 to 13:00 CET

Amendment of Treaties

Wednesday 13 January 2021 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Invalidity of Treaties

Wednesday 13 January 2021 from 14:35 to 15:35 CET

Principles of State Succession in respect of Treaties

Wednesday 13 January 2021 from 15:45 to 16:45 CET

Termination of Treaties

Thursday 14 January from 12:00 to 13:00 CET

The Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties between States and International Organizations or between International Organizations, 1986

Thursday 14 January from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

Law of Treaties and Domestic Law

Thursday 14 January from 14:35 to 15:35 CET

Registration of Treaties and the Role of the Treaty Depositary / Law of Treaties in Modern Times: the Continuing Relevance of the VCLT?

Friday 15 January 2021 from 13:10 to 14:10 CET

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This Programme is addressed to any person who needs to understand the intricacies of Law of Treaties and the rights and obligations of States Parties under the same. For these reasons, the Programme would be most suitable to representative of States to international organizations, foreign relations experts, legal officers of maritime administrations, and maritime consultants. The Programme would also prove beneficial to law students who wish to pursue a career in the field.

The Programme will be delivered online. Upon completion of the Programme a certificate of attendance will be issued.

TUITION FEE

€500 Part A

€1,000 Part B

*To apply, please contact by not later than 27 November 2020
admissions@imli.org.*

Bearing in mind that eminent personalities from all over the world deliver lectures in the Institute's programmes, candidates applying to a programme shall be flexible as the dates of delivery may be subject to change.

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