

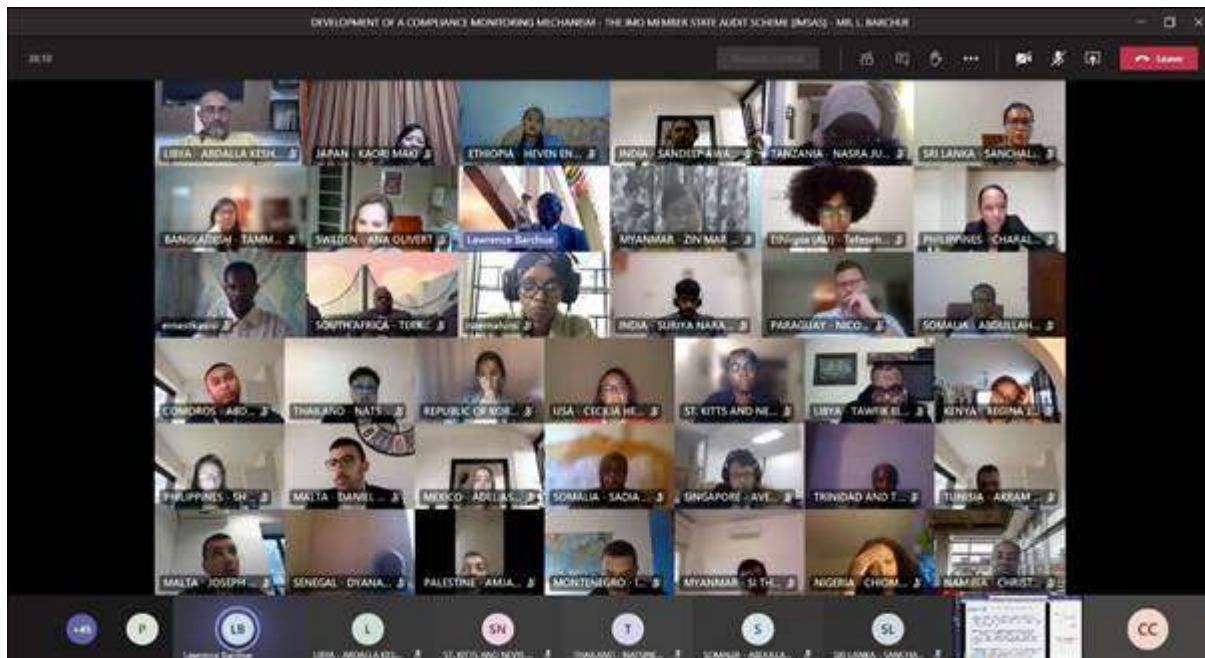
IMO ASSISTANT SECRETARY-GENERAL LECTURES AT IMLI

Mr. Lawrence Dehniah Barchue Sr. (Assistant Secretary-General / Director, IMO Department for Member State Audit and Implementation Support) delivered a lecture today to the IMLI Class of 2020-2021 entitled '*Development of a Compliance Monitoring Mechanism – The IMO Member State Audit Scheme (IMSAS)*.' Mr. Barchue was warmly welcomed and introduced to the class by Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI).



Mr. Lawrence Dehniah Barchue Sr. (Assistant Secretary-General / Director, IMO Department for Member State Audit and Implementation Support) and Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI)

In his lecture, Mr. Barchue introduced the students to the topic of discussion by highlighting the importance of compliance and monitoring. He then discussed the evolution of the IMO Audit Scheme. He explained in detail the phased approach to the Scheme and the expected benefits of making the Scheme mandatory. In his discussion, Mr. Barchue also pinpointed the actors who are responsible for ensuring compliance with international standards, including governments, recognized organization, shipping companies and shipboard personnel. Mr. Barchue noted the important role of governments, which have the duty to implement and enforce international standards. He recognized, therefore, the vital role of IMLI students who, after being trained at IMLI, are equipped with the necessary skills to help their governments accomplish this task.



Mr. Barchue is a Chief Marine Engineer and from 1992 to February 2002, he served as Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Liberia to the IMO and Counsellor (Maritime Affairs), Embassy of Liberia in London. During the period referred to above, he also represented the Government of Liberia at meetings of the International Mobile Satellite Organization, the International Labour Organization and International Telecommunications Union on matters relating to shipping. He served as Chairman of the Facilitation Committee of IMO from 1996 to 2002 and has served as Chairman of a number of working groups at meetings convened by intergovernmental organizations.

In March 2002, Mr. Barchue joined the Secretariat of the IMO and has dealt with the implementation of IMO instruments related matters, including serving as the principal member of the Secretariat responsible for the development and implementation of the IMO Member State Audit Scheme. Besides his current position, Mr. Barchue has also served as Head, Technical Cooperation Implementation and Project Management Section of the Maritime Safety Division, Deputy Director/Head, Member State Audit and Internal Oversight, Office of the Secretary-General, Senior Deputy Director, Member State Audit and Internal Oversight, Office of the Secretary-General, and Head, Department for Member State Audit and Implementation Support, Maritime Safety Division.

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