IMLI LAUNCHES ITS COURSE ON THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT AND OCEAN GOVERNANCE

The IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) wishes to bring to your attention its Course on the Protection of the Marine Environment and Ocean Governance which will commence on 15 February and run until 4 June 2021.

This Course will focus on the protection of the marine environment within the integrated global governance of various maritime activities. The Course thus expands further the Institute’s mission in enhancing capacity-building for a sustainable use of the oceans, in line with all SDGs, particularly SDG 14.
This Course would be of immense benefit to any person involved in the drafting of national maritime policies and legislation, the implementation of the same, as well as other professionals whose activities are related to the oceans and their resources. For these reasons, the Course would be most suitable to lawyers, maritime practitioners, officers of maritime administrations, and foreign relations experts. The Course would also prove beneficial to law students who wish to pursue a career in the field.

The inaugural lecture of this Course will be delivered by IMO Secretary-General Emeritus, Mr. Koji Sekimizu on “The Promotion of Study on Maritime Governance by UN and IMO”. At the end of the course, a certificate of attendance will be issued.

For more information, please see the attached document. Those wishing to participate shall contact Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja at admissions@imli.org for the relevant application form. The deadline for registration in the Course is set on 11 February 2021.
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OVER 30 YEARS SERVING THE RULE OF INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW
Oceans, along with coastal and marine resources, play an essential role in human well-being as well as in social and economic development worldwide. However, they are becoming extremely vulnerable to climate change, environmental degradation, and man-made hazards. Ocean governance is a topic of increasing significance and an emerging concern in the twenty-first century.

Therefore, in the light of the vitality of the oceans in supporting life on earth, sustainable development, innovation, as well as in providing recreational uses and amenities, the last decade has witnessed a growing focus on a more effective and integrated governance and protection. Indeed, ocean governance is a topic of increasing significance and an emerging concern in the twenty-first century.

The achievement of the goal of sustainability of the oceans and their invaluable resources requires concerted efforts by all States at national, regional and global level. For this purpose, to avoid a piecemeal approach to addressing the threats the oceans are facing, policies and legislation must ensure a sustainable governance framework which promotes the ecosystem approach and demands urgent action.

National, regional and global policies shall be guided by the 17 Sustainable Development Goals adopted under the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development which set out a road map for just, inclusive and equitable development; in particular, SDG 14 and its targets which are expressly dedicated to life below water. However, the cross-cutting nature of the oceans becomes clear as it is found in all the other SDGs.

Attaining sustainable benefits from the world’s oceans as stated in SDG 14 requires, inter alia, reducing pollution, restoring ecosystems, minimizing ocean acidification, ending overfishing, and increasing benefits to Small Island Developing States.

In looking at ocean governance issues with the view to promote a harmonized and integrated approach, the protection of the marine environment is placed at the centre of the debate. The international regulatory framework and its interrelation with other maritime activities are being constantly assessed so that the maritime industry plays its role in the prevention of marine pollution as well as cooperation, response and compensation in case of maritime accidents.

In addition, it has been acknowledged that many human activities are having a detrimental impact on climate change and are undermining the efforts for the conservation of the marine living resources of the sea – thus ultimately jeopardizing the achievement of the goal of sustainable ocean governance.

Making use of the knowledge acquired in the production of The IMLI Treatise on Global Ocean Governance, IMLI organizes this Specialized Course which focuses on the protection of the marine environment within the integrated global governance of the various maritime activities. The Course thus expands further the Institute’s mission in enhancing capacity-building for a sustainable use of the oceans, in line with all SDGs, particularly SDG 14.
OPENING CEREMONY

Introductory Address
Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI)

Inaugural Address: The Promotion of Study on Maritime Governance by UN and IMO
Mr. Koji Sekimizu (Secretary-General Emeritus, IMO)

MODULE 1: INTRODUCTION TO MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Introduction to Marine Environmental Law
Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI)

UNCLOS and the Protection of the Marine Environment
Dr. Stefano Filletti (Lawyer, Filletti & Filletti Advocates)

Marine Environmental Protection as a Core Element in Global Ocean Governance
Dr. Ángeles Jiménez García-Carriazo (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on Global Ocean Governance, IMLI)

MODULE 2: IMO REGULATORY FRAMEWORK ON PREVENTION OF MARINE POLLUTION

Protection of the Marine Environment from Ship-source Pollution
Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI)

Protection of the Marine Environment from Dumping of Waste and other Matter
Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI)

Intervention on the High Seas in Case of Pollution Incidents
Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Assistant Lecturer, IMLI)

Protection of the Marine Environment from Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships
Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Assistant Lecturer, IMLI)

Protection of the Marine Environment from Alien Invasive Species
Professor Maria Helena Rolim (Retired Professor of Public International Law and Conflict of Laws, São Paulo University)

Protection of the Marine Environment from Ships Emissions
Mr. Roel Hoenders (Head of the Air Pollution and Energy Efficiency, IMO)
MODULE 3: IMO Regulatory Framework on Preparedness, Response and Cooperation in Case of Pollution Incidents

Preparedness, Response and Cooperation in Case of Pollution Incidents
Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Assistant Lecturer, IMLI)

Regional Approaches to Preparedness, Response and Cooperation in Case of Pollution Incidents
Mr. Gabino González Deogracia (Head of Office, REMPEC)

MODULE 4: IMO Regulatory Framework on Liability and Compensation in Case of Pollution Incidents

An Overview of Major Oil and HNS Spills
Ms. Patricia Charlesbois (Deputy Director, Implementation, IMO Marine Environment Division)

Liability and Compensation in Case of Oil Pollution
Dr. Mitja Grbec (Senior Lecturer, University of Ljubljana)

Liability and Compensation in Case of HNS Incidents
Mr. Mans Jacobsson (Former Director and Chief Executive Officer, IOPC Funds)

The Fund Conventions and their Contribution to Adequate Compensation in Case of Pollution Incidents
Mr. José Maura (Director, IOPC Funds)

Liability and Compensation in Case of Bunker Oil Pollution
Professor Norman Martínez Gutiérrez (Professor, IMLI)

Liability and Compensation in Case of Wrecks
Dr. Patrick Griggs (Former President, CMI)
MODULE 5: REGIONAL APPROACHES TO THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT

The Role of UNEP in the Protection of the Marine Environment
Ms. Elizabeth Mrema (Executive Secretary of the Secretariat of the Convention on Biological Diversity)

Marine Environmental Protection as a Core Element in Governance of the Seas in Global Regions
Professor Peter Ehlers (Former President of the German Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency)

Marine Environmental Protection: The Case of the Baltic Sea
Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI)

The EU Environment Protection Agenda
Ms. Maja Markovčić Kostelac (Executive Director, EMSA)
MODULE 6: CLIMATE CHANGE AND CONSERVATION OF LIVING RESOURCES

Ocean Governance as a Key to Sustainability
Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI)

Introduction to Climate Change and Ocean Governance
Dr. Ángeles Jiménez García-Carriazo (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on Global Ocean Governance, IMLI)

Protection of the Oceans and Climate Change
Professor Ronán Long (Director of the WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute) [TBC]

The International Regulatory Framework on Climate Change
Professor Simone Borg (Head of the Department of Environmental Law and Resources Law, University of Malta)

Ocean Acidification and Climate Change
Professor Alan Deidun (Director of the International Ocean Institute - Malta Training Centre)

Climate Change and its Impact on Small Islands Developing States: The Example of the Pacific
Dr. Joanna Siekiera (Postdoctoral Researcher, Faculty of Law, University of Bergen)

The Regime of Arctic and Antarctic and Climate Change: Pollution Challenges
Dr. Ángeles Jiménez García-Carriazo (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on Global Ocean Governance, IMLI)

The Regulatory Framework on Conservation of the Marine Living Resources and its Relevance to Sustainable Ocean Governance
Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer, IMLI)

The Protection of the Marine Environment as an Element for the Conservation of the Marine Living Resources
Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer, IMLI)
Biodiversity in Areas beyond National Jurisdiction
Ms. Carmen Mifsud (Senior Officer Compliance & Enforcement, Environment & Resources Authority)

Protection of Biodiversity in Areas beyond National Jurisdiction and its Relevance to Sustainable Ocean Governance
Dr. Ángeles Jiménez García-Carriazo (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on Global Ocean Governance, IMLI)

Regional Fisheries Management Organizations and their Role in the Conservation of the Marine Living Resources
Professor Erik Molenaar (Deputy Director of the Netherlands Institute for the Law of the Sea)

FAO and its Efforts in Promoting Conservation of the Marine Living Resources and Eradication of IUU Fishing
Mr. Blaise Kuemllangan (Chief, Development Law Service - Legal Office, FAO)
WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

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The Course will be delivered online and participants may register their attendance in specific modules. At the end of the Course a certificate of attendance will be issued.

TUITION FEE

€ 2,900

To apply, please contact by not later than 11 February 2021 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. The Institute reserves the right to make changes to the programme.

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