MEMBER OF THE IMLI GOVERNING BOARD AWARDED THE GOLDEN PLAQUE

Professor Marko Pavliha (Professor of International Maritime Law, Transport Law, and Insurance Law at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, Portorož, Slovenia), a longstanding Visiting Professor at IMLI and a Member of the Governing Board has been awarded the Golden Plaque. The Golden Plaque is awarded for exceptional contributions to the development of scientific, pedagogical or artistic endeavours, and for strengthening the reputation of the University of Ljubljana.

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Professor Pavliha is an outstanding scholar, who has published widely. He has made extensive research and writings, especially during the last year, culminating in the publication of four books, three written in the Slovenian language and one in English.

The first book is a second edition of the handbook entitled *Primary School of Rhetoric (Mala šola retorike)* which he wrote together with Ms. Bogdana Herman, who is a longstanding teacher of rhetoric at the Ljubljana Law Faculty. His second publication is called *Beyond Materialistic Belief: Spiritual Awakenings (Onkraj materialističnega prepričanja: duhovna dramila)* which is a collection of essays about consciousness and spirituality and is very much based on his recent activities within the Galileo Commission ([https://galileocommission.org](https://galileocommission.org)), a special project of the Scientific and Medical Network ([https://scientificandmedical.net](https://scientificandmedical.net)). Professor Pavliha was proud to inform the IMLI Editor during an interview held in respect of his award, that this book has just been nominated for the Rožanc Award for the best Slovenian book of essays.

He published the third edition of *Insurance Law (Zavarovalno pravo)* written together with three experts and practitioners from the insurance industry, Jernej Veberič, Dejan Srše and Milan Gobec.

His last and fourth monograph, which was published by the worldwide renowned Routledge Publishing House, is entitled *Transport Law on Passenger Rights* and forms part of the book series "*IMLI Studies in International Maritime Law.*"
In addition to these publications, Professor Pavliha has also, in the past two years, been elected again as Member of the Executive Council of the Maritime Law Association of Slovenia, and Member of the Strategic Council of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia. He also received the Ten Most Influential Slovenian Lawyers Award and the 60th Anniversary of the Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation of the University of Ljubljana Award for promoting the Faculty at the national and international level. Additionally, he was elected Honorary Member of the Association of Members of the Slovenian Parliament.

Professor Pavliha noted in the interview that the meritorious award of the prestigious Golden Plaque may have been mainly because of his recent extensive research and writings and other accomplishments as stated above. He concluded the interview by stating that “God and/or Universum has indeed been very gracious to me and I very much hope that I will be able to keep up the good work.”

Professor Pavliha will receive the Golden Plaque on 30th November 2021 at the ceremonialsession of the Senate of University of Ljubljana.

Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) and all the Staff wish to express their warmest congratulations to him for his outstanding achievement.
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