



## **JUDGE ROMAN KOLODKIN LECTURES AT IMLI**

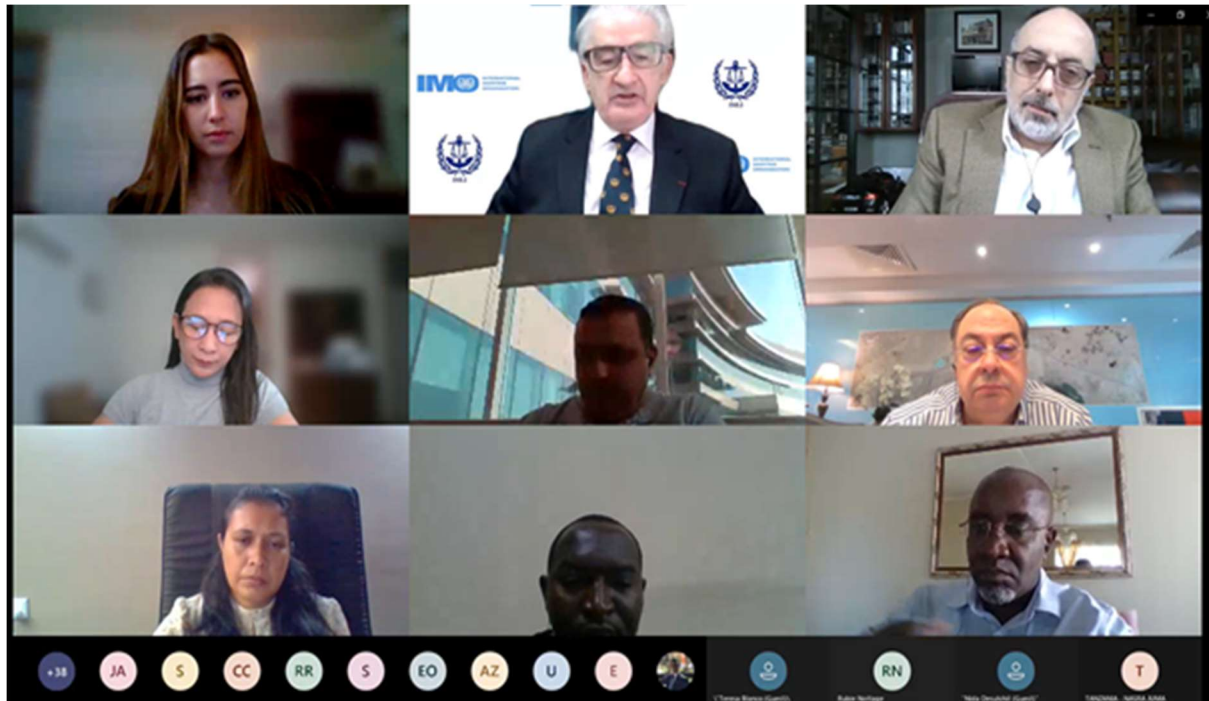
Judge Roman Kolodkin (Judge of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS)), a Member of the Tribunal since 1 October 2017, delivered a lecture on 12 April to the IMLI Class of 2020-2021 entitled 'Jurisdiction of the Tribunal.' He was introduced by Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI), who expressed his delight to have him deliver a lecture at IMLI and informed the participants that Judge Kolodkin combines both academic and practitioner's experience.



*Judge Roman Kolodkin (Judge of International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea (ITLOS))*

In his lecture, Judge Kolodkin systematically explained the Tribunal itself, touching on its establishment, how and under what law it functions, the election of Members of the Tribunal, the significance of their geographic distribution, the plenary of the Tribunal, its Chambers and

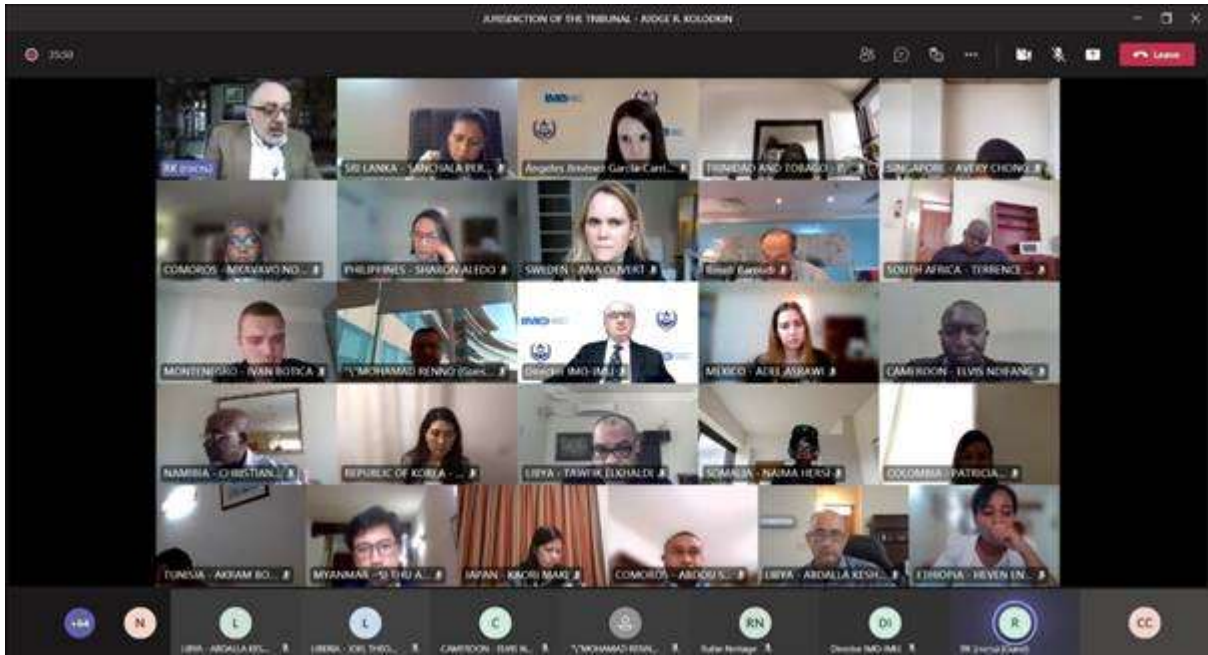
the decision-making procedure. He noted in particular that States parties to the UNCLOS are obliged to comply with the decision of the Tribunal because of treaty obligation, which must be implemented in good faith.



Judge Kolodkin then gave a detailed explanation of the overall dispute settlement under Part XV of UNCLOS and the contentious jurisdiction of ITLOS.

Judge Kolodkin had held several eminent positions prior to becoming a Member of the Tribunal, including Ambassador of the Russian Federation to the Netherlands, Permanent Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons; Agent of Russia in the ICJ and UNCLOS Annex VII arbitral proceedings; Director of the Legal Department, Russian Ministry of Foreign Affairs; Member of the MFA Board.

He was a member of the UN International law commission and is an associate member of the Institute of international law.



He has also been a Visiting Professor in several Institutions, including the Department of International Law, Faculty of Law, Moscow State Academy of Law and the Department of International Law, Faculty of Law, Moscow State University. He is currently the Director of public international law studies, International and comparative law research centre in Moscow.

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