

# IMLI *e*-NEWS

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## **IMLI DIRECTOR DELIVERED AN INTERVENTION DURING THE IMO ASSEMBLY 32ND SESSION**

During the IMO Assembly 32nd session from 6 to 15 December 2021 held at the IMO Headquarters in London, Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) delivered an intervention. Below is the address as delivered.



Dear President,  
Dear Delegates,  
Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am honoured to address you on the highlights of IMLI's contribution to the work of the Organization and its Member States during the past months.

The Institute continued with its efforts to enhance capacity-building in all IMO Member States, especially developing countries. Through its Masters programmes in international maritime law and treaty obligations' implementation the Institute has now trained 1,001 graduates in 149 States.

In order to increase its services to the IMO Member States, the Institute launched numerous specialised training programmes which cover the Law of Treaties, Law of Ports, Seafarers' Rights, International Maritime Security Law, Marine Environmental Law and Ocean Governance, Peaceful Settlement of Maritime Disputes, and Delimitation of Maritime Boundaries. These programmes have, in the past twelve months, attracted 786 participants, mostly Government officers, from 134 States.

I also note with satisfaction the large number of female lawyers trained at IMLI. This we feel is a forceful reflection of the fact that IMLI in 1988 was the first Institution within the UN System to formally reserve in its Statute 50 per cent of its places to deserving women. Thanks to this initiative, the Institute has provided education to 446 female professionals.

The Institute is intensifying its efforts to attract government officers hailing from non-English speaking countries.

The Institute is actively planning to offer in due course preliminary intensive maritime legal English language training for deserving candidates before taking up their studies at IMLI.

I would like to extend my sincere appreciation to the Secretary-General for his constant guidance, and to the donors including the IMO Technical Cooperation Division for their support.

Thank you.



*Professor David Attard (Director, IMLI) during his Intervention*

Professor Attard's speech was followed by interventions of Representatives from the Bahamas, Indonesia, Namibia, Nigeria and South Africa who expressed their appreciation to the Director and IMLI for the valuable services to the international maritime community.



## VISIT TO THE CUAUHEMOC BY IMLI STAFF AND STUDENTS

On 17 December, following the visit of the Officers and Cadets from the Mexican Navy, Members of the IMLI Staff and students also had the pleasure of visiting the training ship 'Cuauhtemoc' at the Valletta Harbour.







## COMITÉ MARITIME INTERNATIONAL

*The Comité Maritime International invites submissions for the 2022 Young Persons' Essay Prize for original unpublished writing in the field of maritime law.*

# yCMI Essay Prize 2022

### Topic for 2022 Essay

*The CMI Assembly has decided not to prescribe a topic for the 2022 competition in order to open up the scope of the Essay to accommodate any topic of current relevance to maritime law. Entrants are however encouraged to visit the CMI website's pages on work in progress – which may assist in choosing a suitable topic, as preference may be given in the adjudication process to essays covering topics currently under review by the CMI.*

### Eligibility

Candidates should be:

- 35 or younger on the closing date for entries (31 March 2022); and
- A member of a CMI-member Maritime Law Association; or
- If not such an MLA member, a person actively engaged in the practice, study or research of maritime law as prescribed in the Prize Rules. This status should be confirmed by a letter from a non-CMI member MLA, university, research institute, law firm or other employer. The letter should accompany the script.

### Deadline for Submission

Submissions must be received by the CMI Secretariat by 31 March 2022

### Length of Essay

Max 6000 words (including footnotes, but excluding table of contents)

### How & Where to submit

By email to [admin-antwerp@comitemaritime.org](mailto:admin-antwerp@comitemaritime.org)

### Anonymous Code

Candidates wishing to submit an essay shall apply to the CMI Secretary-General [secretary-general@comitemaritime.org](mailto:secretary-general@comitemaritime.org) for an anonymous submission code.

Each essay must then be submitted in electronic format anonymously, making use of the code provided. Any author who mentions his/her name in the essay shall be disqualified.

### Full Rules & Criteria

On the CMI website <https://comitemaritime.org/young-cmi/>

### The prize

An invitation to attend the next CMI international event, in Antwerp from 19 – 21 October 2022, including travel from your home city, accommodation in Antwerp, CMI conference registration fee and a modest spending allowance. The winner will be invited to present a precis of his/her winning essay to the CMI's gathering of the world's leading maritime lawyers. The prize-winning essay will also be published on the CMI website.

**This is the maritime world's most prestigious prize for original writing**

*Please note that the Prize Rules lay down strict requirements for timing, supporting documentation, structure, citation and format of entries. All requirements must be met by the closing date for a submission to be considered.*

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**From the Editor of the IMLI e-News**



*Season's  
greetings!*

To all our Esteemed Readers

**We've had a memorable year and we are  
so happy to have shared it with you!!**