SENIOR OFFICIAL OF THE FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS (FAO) VISITS IMLI

The Institute had the distinct pleasure of welcoming on 11 August 2022 Dr. Matthew Camilleri (Team Leader, Fisheries Global and Regional Processes (NFIIP), FAO). Dr. Camilleri was welcomed by Professor Norman A. Martinez Gutierrez (Director, IMLI) who expressed his delight at Dr. Camilleri's visit.
Dr. Camilleri was also greeted by Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer and Head of Administration) and Dr. Sanjeet Ruhal (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Security Law).

Dr. Camilleri is a longstanding friend of the Institute and has been instrumental in the close cooperation between IMLI and FAO. Thanks to his efforts, the Institute has been designated as a capacity-building partner of FAO and has organized, in collaboration with the Organization, several international courses on fisheries law. During the meeting Professor Martinez and Dr. Camilleri discussed the important role of FAO in food security and sustainable use and management of living marine resources, as well as possible means to enhance cooperation between IMLI and FAO.

Dr. Camilleri congratulated Professor Martinez on his appointment as Director of the Institute and reiterated his appreciation for the IMLI's work and its global mission in capacity-building in international maritime law. Recognizing the positive impact of the joint courses organized over the past four years, discussions focused on the possibility of another such course to be organized in the coming months and the forthcoming signature of a Memorandum of Understanding which will institutionalize the cooperation between IMLI and FAO.