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IMLI AND ANKARA UNIVERSITY NATIONAL CENTER FOR THE SEA AND MARITIME LAW (DEHUKAM) RENEW THEIR COOPERATION PROTOCOL

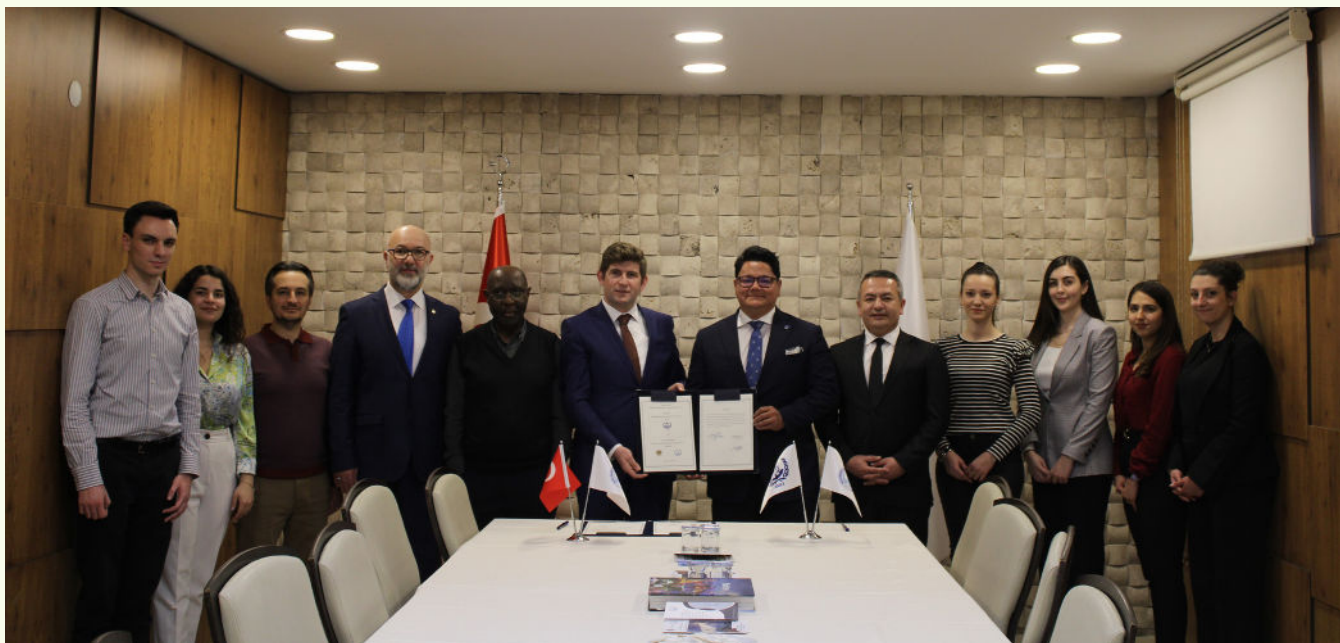
Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) accompanied by Mr. Murat Sümer (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law) signed the renewal of the Cooperation Protocol regarding Maritime Law between the Institute and the Ankara University National Center for the Sea and Maritime Law (DEHUKAM), represented by Mr. Mustafa Başkara (Chief Executive Officer, DEHUKAM) on 27 February 2023.



Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and Mr. Murat Sümer (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law) together with Mr. Mustafa Başkara (Chief Executive Officer, DEHUKAM) and Professor Dr. Ismail Demir, (Leading Researcher, DEHUKAM)

The signing of the renewal of the Cooperation Protocol took place at the premises of DEHUKAM in Ankara.





Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI), Mr. Murat Sümer (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law), with Mr. Mustafa Başkara (Chief Executive Officer, DEHUKAM), Professor Dr. Ismail Demir, (Leading Researcher, DEHUKAM) and Professor Ademuni Odeke (Professor and Special Adviser, DEHUKAM) together with the DEHUKAM Team

DIRECTOR, IMLI AND THE NIPPON FOUNDATION LECTURER ON INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW LECTURE AT ANKARA UNIVERSITY NATIONAL CENTRE FOR THE SEA AND MARITIME LAW (DEHUKAM)

As part of the Cooperation Protocol in respect of Maritime Law between IMLI and DEHUKAM, Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) delivered a set of lectures on *Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims* and *Marine Scientific Research* to the DEHUKAM LL.M. and Ph.D. candidates. This was followed by the lectures of Mr. Murat Sümer (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law) on the *Law of Towage* and the *Law of Salvage*.



*Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) delivering on his lecture *Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims**



*Mr. Murat Sümer (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law) delivering his lecture on the *Law of Salvage**



Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI), Mr. Murat Sümer (The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law), with Mr. Mustafa Baskara (Chief Executive Officer, DEHUKAM), Professor Dr. Ismail Demir, (Leading Researcher, DEHUKAM) and Professor Ademuni Odeke (Professor and Special Adviser, DEHUKAM) together with DEHUKAM LL.M. and Ph.D. Students.

INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT WORKERS' FEDERATION INSPECTOR IN MALTA LECTURES AT IMLI

Mr. Paul Falzon (International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) Inspector in Malta) delivered a lecture entitled “*Abandonment – A Stark Reality*” to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023. Mr. Falzon was welcomed and introduced to the Class by Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer Head of Administration, IMLI).



Mr. Paul Falzon (International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) Inspector in Malta) with Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration, IMLI), Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Lecturer, IMLI) and the Students of the IMLI Class of 2022-2023



Mr. Paul Falzon (International Transport Workers Federation (ITF) Inspector in Malta) together with the ITF Seafarer's Trust Fellows of 2022-2023

Mr. Falzon's lecture focused on the critical issue of abandonment of seafarers. He discussed what abandonment means and analysed with the aid of statistics, the fact that in the last 4 years, there has been an increase in such cases. He then discussed the consequences of abandonment. To this end, Mr. Falzon explained the tools, which is the Maritime Labour Convention amendments of 2014, in addressing this problem.

The students were very much appreciative of the depth and insight that he shared with them.

SENIOR LEGAL CONSULTANT & LEAD TRAINER LECTURES AT IMLI

Dr. Illiana Christodoulou Varotsi (Senior Legal Consultant & Lead Trainer) delivered two lectures entitled “*Maritime Labour Law Standards: Covid-19 Challenges*” and “*Maritime Labour Law Standards: Developments Post Covid-19*” respectively to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023.



Dr. Illiana Christodoulou Varotsi (Senior Legal Consultant & Lead Trainer) with Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration, IMLI) and Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Lecturer, IMLI) together with the IMLI Class of 2022-2023



*Dr. Illiana Christodoulou Varotsi
(Senior Legal Consultant & Lead Trainer)
signing the IMLI Guest book*



*Dr. Illiana Christodoulou Varotsi
(Senior Legal Consultant & Lead Trainer)
lecturing to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023*

Dr. Illiana Christodoulou-Varotsi is a highly regarded legal consultant and shipping industry trainer specialising in Maritime and EU law and policies. She is an accredited mediator, Course Leader with Lloyd's Maritime Academy, an experienced law drafter, including for the drafting of harmonisation bills for the accession of the Republic of Cyprus to the EU; contribution to the drafting of the Cypriot ratification bill of MLC. She is also an external trainer with DNV Maritime Academy Hellas, where she provides workshops on MLC 2006 to the Greek shipping community. The students benefited enormously from her extensive knowledge.

INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT WORKERS' FEDERATION ACCREDITED REPRESENTATIVE TO THE IMO LECTURES AT IMLI

Mr. Branko Berlan (International Transport Workers' Federation (ITF) Accredited Representative to the International Maritime Organization (IMO)) delivered a lecture entitled "*The Contribution of ITF to the Work of IMO for the Protection of the Seafarers*" to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023. Mr. Berlan was introduced to the Class by Ms. Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration, IMLI).



*Mr. Branko Berlan (International Transport Workers' Federation Accredited Representative to the IMO) being introduced to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023 by Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja
(Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration, IMLI)*



Mr. Branko Berlan (International Transport Workers' Federation Accredited Representative to the IMO) delivering his lecture to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023

As the ITF accredited representative to the IMO, following the vision of the ITF, Mr. Berlan recognizes that the ITF has a loud voice for the seafarers and all workers in the maritime industry. From this viewpoint, he set out to explain to the students his work at the IMO. He explained what he does towards enhancing the influence of the ITF in shaping the maritime policies. Mr. Berlan also discussed his role in continuing to pursue more constructive cooperation with governments and the industry partners.

Being a seafarer for 15 years, with the conclusion of this career as Chief Engineer, he is very much familiar with the people whose rights he contributes to protect and also comes with an outstanding understanding of the issues. The students asked many pertinent questions at the conclusion of his lecture.

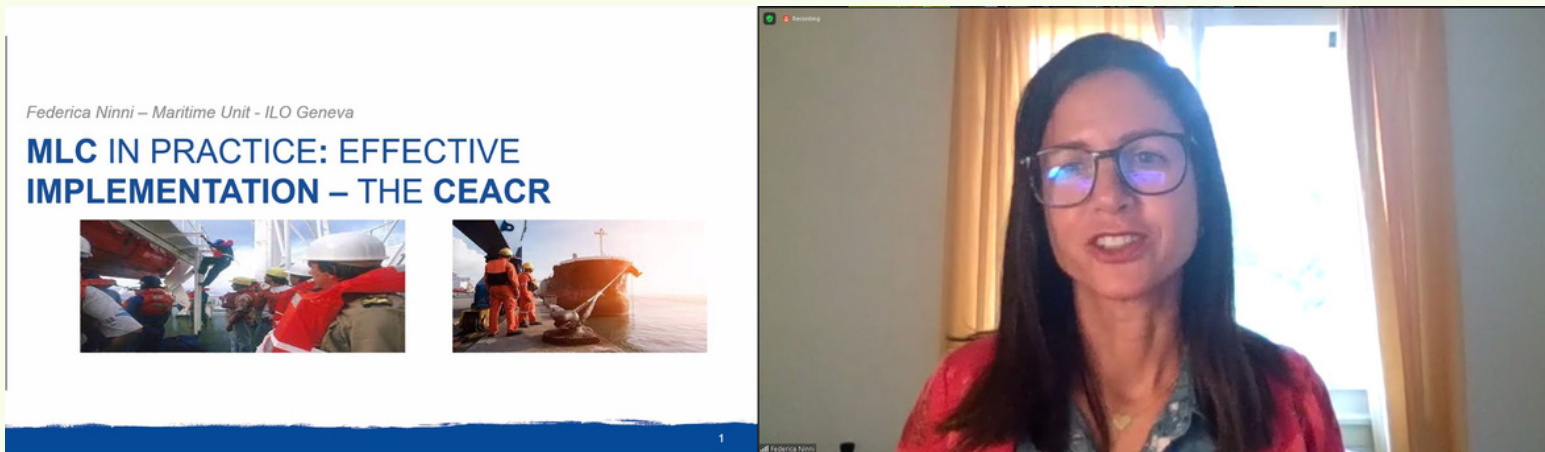
LEGAL OFFICER IN THE MARITIME UNIT OF THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION LECTURES AT IMLI

Ms. Federica Ninni (Legal Officer, Maritime Unit, International Labour Organization (ILO)) delivered a lecture entitled "*MLC in Practice: Effective Implementation and the Role of the ILO Committee of Experts*" to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023. Ms. Ninni was introduced to the class and participants by Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration, IMLI).



Ms. Federica Ninni (Legal Officer, Maritime Unit, ILO) being introduced to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023 by Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration, IMLI) with the Course Coordinator, Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Lecturer, IMLI)

Her lecture covered the obligation of a State upon ratifying the Maritime Labour Convention, 2006, as amended, (MLC), including how to compile the report form, the role of the Committee of Experts on the application of the MLC, practical examples of views expressed by the Committee of Experts on the Application of Conventions and Recommendations (CEACR) on varying aspects including the scope of application – seafarers and ships; and on child labour amongst others. Ms. Ninni also discussed some examples of good practice. Her lecture was quite interactive.



*Ms. Federica Ninni (Legal Officer, Maritime Unit, ILO)
delivering her lecture to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023*

Ms. Ninni's lecture concluded the IMLI Course on Seafarers' Rights, in which the Introductory Address was delivered by Professor Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and inaugurated by Ms. Beatriz Vacotto (Head of the Maritime Unit, International Labour Standards Department, ILO) on 9 February 2023. The Course was attended by over 80 participants.

