On 13 March, 2023 IMLI welcomed Dr. Paula Bäckdén (Lawyer, President of the Swedish Maritime Law Association). Dr. Bäckdén was introduced to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023 by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI).

Upon her introduction, Dr. Bäckdén delivered a set of lectures to the IMLI Class entitled “The Carrier’s Liability under the Rotterdam Rules – A Comparison with the Hague-Visby Rules".
Also on the same day, IMLI had the pleasure of welcoming for the second time this academic year, Dr. Ann Fenech (President, Comité Maritime International).

Dr. Fenech was welcomed to IMLI by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) who congratulated her on her appointment. Dr. Fenech delivered a set of lectures to the IMLI Class on the “Convention on the International Effects of Judicial Sale of Ships”.

Dr. Ann Fenech (President, Comité Maritime International) delivering her lectures to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023

Dr. Paula Bäckdén (Lawyer, President of the Swedish Maritime Law Association), Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and Dr. Ann Fenech (President, Comité Maritime International)
The Institute had the pleasure of welcoming Lt. Col. (Retd.) Andrew Mallia (Independent SAR & Maritime Security Consultant). He was introduced to the Class by Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration, IMLI). After meeting the students and Course participants, Lt Col (Retd.) Mallia delivered a lecture entitled "Cyber-security Measures for Ports".

**LLOYD’S REGISTER’S GLOBAL HEAD OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND COMPLIANCE LECTURES AT IMLI**

Mr. Andrew Kennedy (Lloyd’s Register’s Global Head of Dispute Resolution and Compliance) delivered an online lecture entitled “The Legal Position of Marine Classification Societies” to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023.
Mr. Andrew Kennedy expressed his delight at once again being able to lecture to the IMLI Class. He further expressed his hope of being able to lecture at IMLI in person in the near future, which was encouraged by Ms. Kazara-Belja.

H.E. Mr. Erdeniz Şen, Ambassador of Türkiye to Malta, paid a courtesy visit to the Institute on Friday, 17 March 2023. Ambassador Şen was welcomed by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and Members of the IMLI Faculty. Upon his arrival, Ambassador Şen was introduced to the IMLI Class of 2022-2023.

After meeting the students, a meeting was held between Director Martínez and Ambassador Şen to discuss possible future cooperation.
The International Seminar aims to highlight that the Convention is a living instrument which accommodates developments, and its adequate implementation facilitates a sound governance for the oceans. It will be addressed by eminent speakers who have dedicated their professional life to international law and law of the sea matters.

Attendance to the Seminar is open to all those who are interested in law of the sea issues. Through this Seminar IMLI consolidates further its position as a centre of excellence for dissemination of knowledge in international maritime law.