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## **IMO APPOINTS IMLI GRADUATE AS DIRECTOR OF ITS LEGAL AFFAIRS AND EXTERNAL RELATIONS DIVISION**



*Dr. Dorota Lost-Sieminska (Director of the Legal Affairs and  
External Relations Division at IMO)*

IMLI notes with pride the appointment of Dr. Dorota Lost-Sieminska, as Director of the Legal Affairs and External Relations Division at IMO. Dr. Lost-Sieminska is an IMLI graduate of the class of 2005-2006.



The accomplishments of Dr. Lost-Sieminska have not come as a surprise to IMLI, as during her time at the Institute, she proved to be a committed and hardworking student. Indeed, during the 2006 graduation, she was awarded the Prize for the scholar with the Best Performance in Shipping Law.



*Dr. Lost-Sieminska receiving the Malta Maritime Authority Prize for the scholar with the Best Performance in Shipping Law during the 2006 Graduation Ceremony*

After graduating from IMLI, Dr. Lost-Sieminska continued to make remarkable contributions to her country's development in the maritime industry. She distinguished herself in a number of capacities such as heading the Polish Delegation to the IMO Legal Committee and being a delegate to other IMO meetings such as the IMO Assembly, Sub-Committee on Flag State Implementation (FSI) and The Facilitation Committee (FAL). Dr. Lost-Sieminska was also the Vice-President of the IMO HNS Diplomatic Conference and was Head of the Polish delegation to various UN and EU meetings. Additionally, she headed the Polish delegation leading negotiations on bilateral agreements between Poland and other countries in the maritime field.

Prior to joining IMO in 2011, Dr. Lost-Sieminska held the post of the Director of the Maritime Transport and Inland Navigation Department in the Ministry of Infrastructure of Poland, among other meritorious contributions.

At IMO, Dr. Lost-Sieminska has also made a marked impact as she diligently discharged her various duties and responsibilities in the positions she has held over time. Her duties and responsibilities have included supervising and managing the legal affairs of the Organization, including giving support to the Legal Committee and other committees such as MSC, MEPC, TCC, and FAL. Further, she has provided legal advice to the IMO Secretariat, the IMO Committees and the Member States on the implementation of IMO conventions. Dr. Lost-Sieminska was also responsible for providing procedural oversight for the election of Council Members by the Assembly and other elections held by any IMO organ. Dr. Lost-Sieminska was also responsible to manage the depositary function of the IMO Secretariat. She was actively involved in planning and delivering legal capacity-building and technical cooperation activities.



Dr. Lost-Sieminska has been giving back to her alma mater by contributing to its capacity-building mission. She has been a member of the IMLI Distinguished Visiting Fellows Programme since 2015, delivering numerous lectures in the IMLI courses on Maritime Legislation Drafting and the Law of Treaties. During her lectures she covers areas focused on adoption to amendment of treaties, IMO treaty-making process including tacit acceptance procedure, implementing IMO Instruments and understanding IMO conventions.



*Dr. Lost-Sieminska signing the IMLI Guest Book*



*Dr. Lost-Sieminska lecturing to the IMLI Class during one of her annual visits to IMLI*



*Dr. Lost-Sieminska addressing the IMLI Class of 2022-2023 during the IMLI Field Trip 2023*



*Dr. Lost-Sieminska meeting students prior to the commencement of her lectures during one of her annual visits to IMLI*

Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (IMLI Director), on behalf of the IMLI family wishes to extend sincere congratulations to Dr. Lost-Sieminska on her appointment and to wish her all the best as she assumes the office of Director of the Legal Affairs and External Relations Division at IMO, epitomising the very essence of IMLI: *Training the Maritime Leaders of Tomorrow*.

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