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THE INSTITUTE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED THE IMLI COURSE ON THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT AND OCEAN GOVERNANCE

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13 March to 27 May 2024

**IMLI COURSE ON
THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE
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Given the current threats the oceans are facing, the need for their protection and a sound ocean governance system is more present than ever. As an Institute dedicated to enhancing human capacity in the full spectrum of international maritime law, including marine environmental law, the Institute successfully organized, between 13 March and 27 May 2024, its comprehensive IMLI Course on the Protection of the Marine Environment and Ocean Governance.

Several eminent visiting professors who are experts in the field, together with members of the IMLI Faculty, contributed to this Specialized Course which focuses on the protection of the marine environment within the integrated global governance of the various maritime activities.



Dr. Stefano Filletti (Lawyer, Filletti & Filletti Advocates) delivered in-situ a set of lectures entitled *“UNCLOS and the Protection of the Marine Environment”*, *“Marine Pollution Prevention under Customary International Law”*, *“Marine Pollution Prevention under Part XI of UNCLOS”* and *“Marine Pollution Prevention under Part XII of UNCLOS”*.



Minister Fernanda Millicay (then Permanent Representative of Argentina to the IMO) delivered in-situ a lecture entitled *“The New Agreement on Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction”*.



Mr. Ivan Sammut (Head of Office, REMPEC) delivered in-situ a lecture entitled *“Regional Approaches to Preparedness, Response and Cooperation in Case of Pollution Incidents”*.

Dr. Mans Jacobsson (Academic Lecturer and Consultant in Maritime and Environmental Matters) delivered online a set of lectures entitled *“Overview to the Civil Liability Regime”*, *“Global Ocean Governance and the IMO Liability Conventions and their Origin”*, and *“Law-Making through Intergovernmental Organisation: Implementation and Application of Treaties”*.



Ms. Patricia Charlebois (Deputy Director, Subdivision for Implementation Marine Environment Division, IMO) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Oil and Chemical Pollution Response – The International Regulatory Framework and A Review of Recent Incidents”*.

Mr. Gaute Sivertsen (Director, IOPC Funds) delivered in-situ a set of lectures entitled *“The Fund Conventions and their Contribution to Adequate Compensation in Case of Pollution Incidents”*.





Dr. Mitja Grbec (Secretary-General, Maritime Law Association of Slovenia; Attorney-at-Law; Assistant Professor, Faculty of Management, University of Primorska) delivered in-situ a set of lectures entitled *“Liability and Compensation Regimes in Case of Oil Pollution”*.



Dr. Gotthard Gauci (Lecturer, Plymouth Business School) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Liability and Compensation in Case of Bunker Oil Pollution”*.



Mr. Frederick Haag (Head, Office for the London Convention/Protocol and Ocean Affairs, Marine Environment Division, IMO) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Protection of the Marine Environment from Dumping of Waste and other Matter”*.



Mr. Roel Hoenders (Head, Decarbonization and Clean Air, IMO Secretariat) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Protection of the Marine Environment from Ships Emissions”*.



Professor Peter Ehlers (Former President, German Federal Maritime Hydrographic Agency) delivered in-situ a set of lectures entitled *“Use of and Threats to the Oceans”*, *“What has already been done for Sustainable Ocean Governance?”* and *“What Needs to be Done for Sustainable Ocean Governance?”*.



Ambassador Nancy Karigithu (Special Envoy for Maritime and Blue Economy, Kenya; Member of the IMLI Governing Board) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Blue Economy as a Crucial Action to Reach SDG 14 and Ocean Governance”*.



Professor Ronan Long (Director, WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute) delivered in-situ a lecture entitled *“Protection of the Oceans and Climate Change”*.



Professor Dr. Alexander Proelss (Full Professor, Director, Institute for the Law of the Sea of University of Hamburg) delivered in-situ a lecture entitled *“Oceans and Sustainable Development”*.



Ms. Gina Panayiotou (Founder and CEO, Oceans Arena) delivered in-situ a lecture entitled *“The Environmental, Social, and Governmental (ESG) Compliance Concepts applied to the Maritime”*.



Dr. Awwal Bamanga (Assistant Director, Marine Environment Management, Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency (NIMASA)) delivered in-situ a set of lectures entitled *“General Ship Waste Management”* and *“Hazardous Ship Wastes and Implications for the Marine Environment”*.



Ms. Elizabeth Maruma Mrema (Assistant Secretary-General, United Nations; Deputy Executive Director of the UN Environment Programme) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Conservation of Biodiversity as an Essential Tool of Ocean Governance”*.



Ms. Manuela Tomassini (Head, Department of Sustainability and Technical Assistance, European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA)) delivered online a lecture entitled *“EMSA in Support of the EU Environmental Agenda”*.



Mr. Blaise Kuemlangan (Chief, Development Law Service - Legal Office, FAO) delivered an in-situ lecture entitled *“FAO and its Efforts in Promoting Conservation of the Marine Living Resources and Eradication of IUU Fishing”*.



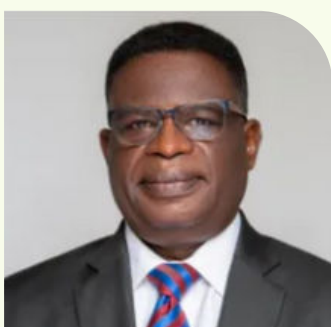
Dr. Harry Conway (Alternate Permanent Representative of Liberia to IMO; Chair, IMO Marine Environment Protection Committee (MEPC)) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Marine Litter: A Governance Perspective”*.



Dr. Antoine Grima (Head, Environmental and Resources Law Department, University of Malta) delivered an in-situ lecture entitled *“Sea Level Rise and International Security Implications”*.



Professor Simone Borg (Professor / Chair, Climate Platform, University of Malta) delivered an in-situ lecture on *“The International Regulatory Framework on Climate Change”*.



Dr. Kofi Mbiah (CEO, Ghana Chamber of Shipping; Member of the IMLI Governing Board) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Blue Economy”*.



Dr. Theofanis Karayannis (Head, Marine Biosafety, Subdivision for Protective Measures Marine Environment Division, IMO) delivered online a lecture entitled *“Protection of the Marine Environment from Invasive Aquatic Species in Ballast Water”*



Mr. Vladimir Jares (Director, United Nations Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS)) delivered online a lecture entitled *“United Nations and Ocean Governance – The Present and the Future”*.

IMLI WORKSHOP ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND OCEAN GOVERNANCE

As part of the Course, the Institute organized a workshop on Climate Change and Ocean Governance on 10 May 2024.

The Inaugural Address was delivered by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI). Speakers at the Seminar were Professor Alan Deidun (Director, International Ocean Institute - Malta Training Centre) who delivered a presentation entitled *“How Climate Change Impacts the World’s Oceans?”* which was followed by the presentation of Professor Simone Borg (Professor / Chair, Climate Platform, University of Malta) on *“The International Regulatory Framework on Climate Change”*. Professor Dr. Alexander Proelss (Full Professor, Director of Institute for the Law of the Sea of University of Hamburg) delivered a presentation entitled *“Sea Level Rise and Law of the Sea”*. The final presentation was delivered by Professor Ronan Long (Director of the WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute), entitled *“Climate Change and Law of the Sea”*.

The Seminar was concluded by a Round table discussion entitled *“Measures to be Implemented to Mitigate Climate Change and Promote Sound Ocean Governance”*, which was moderated Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer/Head of Administration, IMLI), and solicited many stimulating questions from the IMLI Class and participants of the Course.



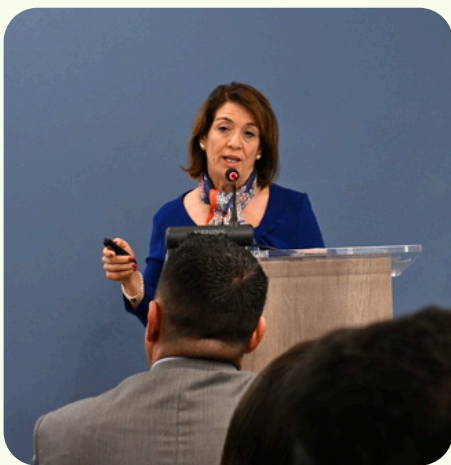
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Round Table Discussion

This Specialized Course which focused on the protection of the marine environment within the integrated global governance of the various maritime activities, expanded further the Institute's mission in enhancing capacity-building for a sustainable use of the oceans, in line with all SDGs, particularly SDG 14.

