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**IMLI COURSE ON
THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE
ENVIRONMENT
AND
OCEAN GOVERNANCE**

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SYNOPSIS

Oceans, along with coastal and marine resources, play an essential role in human well-being as well as in social and economic development worldwide. However, they are becoming extremely vulnerable to climate change, environmental degradation, and man-made hazards. Ocean governance is a topic of increasing significance and a concern in the twenty-first century.

Therefore, in the light of the vitality of the oceans in supporting life on earth, sustainable development, innovation, as well as in providing recreational uses and amenities, the last decade has witnessed a growing focus on a more effective and integrated governance and protection.

The achievement of the goal of sustainability of the oceans and their invaluable resources requires concerted efforts by all States at national, regional and global level. For this purpose, to avoid a piecemeal approach to addressing the threats the oceans are facing, policies and legislation must ensure a sustainable governance framework which promotes the ecosystem approach and demands urgent action.

National, regional and global policies shall be guided by the 17 Sustainable Development Goals adopted under the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development which set out a road map for just, inclusive and equitable development; in particular, SDG 14 and its targets which are expressly dedicated to life below water. However, the cross-cutting nature of the oceans becomes clear as it is found in all the other SDGs.

Attaining sustainable benefits from the world's oceans as stated in SDG 14 requires, inter alia, reducing pollution, restoring ecosystems, minimizing ocean acidification, ending overfishing, and increasing benefits to Small Island Developing States.

In looking at ocean governance issues with the view to promote a harmonized and integrated approach, the protection of the marine environment is placed at the centre of the debate. The international regulatory framework and its interrelation with other maritime activities are being constantly assessed so that the maritime industry plays its role in the prevention of marine pollution as well as cooperation, response, and compensation in case of maritime accidents.

In addition, it has been acknowledged that many human activities are having a detrimental impact on climate change and are undermining the efforts for the conservation of the marine living resources of the sea – thus ultimately jeopardizing the achievement of the goal of sustainable ocean governance.

Making use of the knowledge acquired in the production of The IMLI Treatise on Global Ocean Governance, IMLI organizes this Specialized Course which focuses on the protection of the marine environment within the integrated global governance of the various maritime activities. The Course thus expands further the Institute's mission in enhancing capacity-building for a sustainable use of the oceans, in line with all SDGs, particularly SDG 14.

INTRODUCTION TO MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL LAW

Inaugural Address: Introduction to Marine Environmental Law

Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (*The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI, and Chair of public international law at the Queen Mary University of London*)

UNCLOS and the Protection of the Marine Environment

Dr. Stefano Filletti (*Lawyer, Filletti & Filletti Advocates*)

The Role of ITLOS in the Protection of the Marine Environment and Ocean Governance

Judge Liesbeth Lijnzaad (*ITLOS, President of the Chamber for Marine Environment Disputes*)

Marine Environmental Protection as a Core Element in Global Ocean Governance

Dr. Rafael Prado (*The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on Global Ocean Governance, IMLI*)

IMO REGULATORY FRAMEWORK ON THE PROTECTION OF THE MARINE ENVIRONMENT

Protection of the Marine Environment from Ship-source Pollution

Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (*The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI*)

Intervention on the High Seas in Case of Pollution Incidents

Ms. Ramat Jalloh (*Lecturer, IMLI*)

Protection of the Marine Environment from Harmful Anti-fouling Systems on Ships

Ms. Ramat Jalloh (*Lecturer, IMLI*)

Protection of the Marine Environment from Invasive Aquatic Species in Ballast Water

Mr. Theofanis Karayannis (*Head, Marine Biosafety, Subdivision for Protective Measures, IMO*) TBC

Protection of the Marine Environment from Dumping of Waste and other Matter

Mr. Fredrik Haag (*Head of Office for the London Convention/Protocol and Ocean Affairs, IMO*) TBC

The New Agreement on Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction

Ms. Fernanda Millicay (*Minister, Permanent Representative of Argentina to the IMO*)

Protection of the Marine Environment from Ships Emissions

Mr. Roel Hoenders (*Head of the Air Pollution and Energy Efficiency, IMO*) TBC

Oil and Chemical Pollution Response – The International Regulatory Framework and a Review of Recent Incidents

Ms. Patricia Charlebois (*Deputy Director, Implementation, IMO Marine Environment Division, IMO*) TBC

Preparedness, Response and Cooperation in Case of Pollution Incidents

Ms. Ramat Jalloh (*Lecturer, IMLI*)

Regional Approaches to Preparedness, Response and Cooperation in Case of Pollution Incidents

Mr. Ivan Sammut (*Head of Office, REMPEC*)

Liability and Compensation in Case of Oil Pollution

Dr. Mitja Grbec (*Senior Lecturer, University of Ljubljana*)

Liability and Compensation in Case of HNS Incidents

Mr. Mans Jacobsson (*Academic Lecturer and Consultant in Maritime and Environmental Matters*)

The Fund Conventions and their Contribution to Adequate Compensation in Case of Pollution Incidents

Mr. Gaute Sivertsen (*Director, IOPC Funds*)

Liability and Compensation in Case of Bunker Oil Pollution

Dr. Gotthard Gauci (*Lecturer, Plymouth Business School*)

Liability and Compensation in the Case of Wrecks

Professor Norman Martínez (*Director, IMLI*)

REGIONAL APPROACHES

The Role of UNEP in the Protection of the Marine Environment

Ms. Letícia Reis de Carvalho (*Head of the Marine & Freshwater Branch of Ecosystems Division UNEP*)

Conservation of Biodiversity as an Essential Tool of Ocean Governance

Ms. Elizabeth Mrema (*Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and Deputy Executive Director of the UN Environment Programme*)

Marine Environmental Protection: The Case of the Baltic Sea

Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (*The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI*)

EMSA in support of the EU Environmental Agenda

Ms. Manuela Tomassini (*Head of Department Sustainability and Technical Assistance, EMSA*)

General Ship waste management including handling, storage, and documentation in line with relevant IMO Conventions for compliance purposes within the maritime industry

Dr. Awwal Bamanga (*Nigerian Maritime Administration and Safety Agency NIMASA*)



OCEAN GOVERNANCE

What has Already been Done for Sustainable Ocean Governance?

Professor Peter Ehlers (*Former President of the German Federal Maritime Hydrographic Agency*)

What Needs to be Done for Sustainable Ocean Governance?

Professor Peter Ehlers (*Former President of the German Federal Maritime Hydrographic Agency*)

Oceans and Sustainable Development

Professor Dr. Alexander Proelss (*Full Professor, Director of Institute for the Law of the Sea of University of Hamburg*)

Protection of the Oceans and Climate Change

Professor Ronan Long (*Director, WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute*)

WORKSHOP ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND OCEAN GOVERNANCE

Professor Ronan Long (*Director of the WMU-Sasakawa Global Ocean Institute*)

Professor Alexander Proelss (*Full Professor, Director of the Institute for the Law of the Sea of the University of Hamburg*)

Professor Simone Borg (*Ambassador for Malta on Climate Action*)

Professor Alan Deidun (*Director of the International Ocean Institute - Malta Training Centre*)



OCEAN GOVERNANCE CONTEMPORARY CHALLENGES

Sea Level Rise, Ocean Governance and International Security Implications

Dr. Antoine Grima (*Head of the Environmental and Resources Law Department, University of Malta*)

Island Nations, Artificial Islands Coastal Areas, and Blue Economy Models

Professor Catalina Spataru (*Professor of Global Energy and Resources, Director UCL Energy Institute, Head of Islands and Coastal Research Laboratory*)

The Interrelation Between Fresh Water and the Protection of the Marine Environment

Dr. Mara Tignigno (*Lead Legal Specialist, Platform for International Water Law, Geneva Water Hub*)

The Regulatory Framework on Conservation of Marine Living Resources and its Relevance to Sustainable Ocean Governance

Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (*Senior Lecturer, IMLI*)

The Protection of the Marine Environment as an Element for the Conservation of the Marine Living Resources

Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (*Senior Lecturer, IMLI*)

FAO and its Efforts in Promoting Conservation of the Marine Living Resources and Eradication of IUU Fishing

Mr. Blaise Kuemlangan (*Chief, Development Law Service - Legal Office, FAO*)

Closing Lecture

Mr. Vladimir Jares (*Director, DOALOS*)

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This Course is addressed to any person involved in the drafting of national maritime policies and legislation, the implementation of the same, as well as other professionals whose professional activities are related to the oceans and their resources. For these reasons, the Course would be most suitable to lawyers, maritime practitioners, officers of maritime administrations, and foreign relations experts. The Course would also prove beneficial to law students who wish to pursue a career in the field.

The Programme will be delivered in a hybrid mode. Candidates who will attend 80 percent of the lectures, will be eligible for a certificate of attendance.

*To apply, please contact the course coordinator by not later than
11 March 2024
admissions@imli.org*



TUITION FEE AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

€ 2,900

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