IMLI had the distinct pleasure of welcoming again Professor Dr. Laura Carballo Piñeiro (Professor, Dean of the Faculty of International Relations, University of Vigo) on 26 February 2024.

Professor Dr. Carballo Piñeiro was introduced by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) to the IMLI Class of 2023-2024 and external participants of the IMLI Course on Seafarer’s Rights 2024.

Upon her introduction, she proceeded to deliver a set of online lectures entitled “The Role of Port States in Upholding Maritime Labour Standards”, which served as an opportunity for students and participants to interact actively with her by asking many interesting questions, which were met with enlightening responses.
The Malta Maritime Forum and the UK Branch of the Malta Business Network organized an event entitled "Showcasing Maritime Malta", which was held at the IMO Headquarters in London on 27 February 2024.

Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) had the distinct pleasure of representing IMLI at this prestigious event.

The aim of the event was to offer a unique opportunity to Malta Maritime Forum members to network with London-based maritime professionals and practitioners.

Several distinguished personalities addressed this unique occasion.
Mr. Godwin Xerri (Chairman of the Worldwide Ship Agencies Association (WWSA), Chairman of the Malta Maritime Forum and Distinguished Visiting Professor at IMLI) addressing the distinguished guests at the event

Hon. Minister Dr. Chris Bonett (Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Public Works) addressing the distinguished guests at the event

Dr. Ann Fenech (President of the Comité Maritime International) was among the personalities attending the event
IMLI had the distinct pleasure of welcoming again Dr. Jan Hoffmann (Chief, Trade Logistics Branch, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD) on 4 March 2024.

Dr. Hoffmann was introduced by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) to the IMLI Class of 2023-2024 and the external course participants of the IMLI Course on the Law of Ports 2024.

After his introduction, Dr. Hoffmann delivered an online lecture entitled “Container Ports: Connecting and Competing” which was much appreciated by the students and participants.

Dr. Hoffmann lecturing to the IMLI Class of 2023-2024 and the external participants of the IMLI Course on the Law of Ports 2024

Professor Aldo Chircop (Professor of Law / Former Canada Research Chair in Maritime Law & Policy (Tier I), Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University) delivered an enlightening online lecture entitled “Access to Ports – Rights and Obligations of the Port States” on 4 March 2024.

Professor Chircop was introduced by Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer / Head of Administration, IMLI) to the IMLI Class of 2023-2024 and to the external participants of the IMLI Course on the Law of Ports 2024.
SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CLASSIFICATION SOCIETIES LECTURES AT IMLI

IMLI had the distinct pleasure of welcoming once again online, Mr. Robert Ashdown (Secretary General, International Association of Classification Societies (IACS)) on 5 March 2024.

Mr. Ashdown was introduced by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) to the IMLI Class of 2023-2024.

After his introduction, Mr. Ashdown proceeded to deliver an engaging lecture entitled “The Role of The International Association of Classification Societies.”

WHAT IS CLASSIFICATION?

‘Classification’ is compliance of the design plans and the vessel with the Rules developed and published by the Classification Society.