

# *IMLI ALERT*

16/2024-2025

## **IMLI WORKSHOP ON IUU FISHING AND MARITIME SECURITY**

The Institute is pleased to announce its Workshop on IUU Fishing and Maritime Security which is being organised on 2 May 2025.

This Workshop will form part of the IMLI specialized Course on International Maritime Security Law. The main aims of this Workshop are to explore the legal, policy, and security challenges related to Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated (IUU) fishing, with a focus on its intersection with broader maritime security issues. Participants will be provided with valuable insights into the legal frameworks designed to combat IUU fishing, the role of international cooperation, and the critical role of technology and data-sharing in addressing these issues.

The Workshop is designed to stimulate robust interdisciplinary discussions with leading scholars and professionals from the fields of international law of the sea, fisheries management, and maritime security law, thereby allowing participants to deepen their understanding of the complex and evolving landscape of IUU fishing as a maritime security threat.

The distinguished speakers will share their unique insights, drawing from their research and professional backgrounds on IUU fishing, maritime security, and international legal frameworks.

Register your participation via email to <https://forms.gle/3AvkLcN9dtjY8VMp8>.



# **WORKSHOP PROGRAMME**

## **2 MAY 2025**

09:00 – 09:10

### **Welcome Address**

Professor Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez, Director, IMLI

09:10 – 09:50

### **Inaugural Address**

Dr. Alicia Bugeja Said, Parliamentary Secretary, Fisheries, Aquaculture and Animal Rights

09:50 – 10:00

### **Short Break**

10:00 – 10:40

### **Presentation 1: The Legal Framework for Combating IUU Fishing**

Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja, Senior Lecturer/Head of Administration, IMLI

10:40 – 11:20

### **Presentation 2: Overview of EFCA Activities and its Contribution to the Fight against IUU Fishing**

Mr. Rafael Duarte, Head of Sector Cooperation, European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA)

11:20 – 11:35

### **Coffee Break**

11:35 – 12:15

### **Presentation 3: FAO's Work in Combatting IUU Fishing**

Mr. Blaise Kuemlangan, Chief, Development Law Service, FAO

12:15 – 13:00

### **Presentation 4: Addressing IUU Fishing through Enhanced Maritime Cooperation**

Professor Stuart Kaye, Director ANCORS, Wollongong, Australia

13:00 – 14:00

### **Reception**

14:00 – 15:00

## **Panel Discussion: IUU Fishing and Maritime Security: Linkages and Challenges**

### **Moderator:**

Dr. Sanjeet Ruhel, The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on International Maritime Security Law, IMLI

### **Panellists:**

- Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja
- Mr. Blaise Kuemlangan
- Mr. Rafael Duarte
- Professor Stuart Kaye

15:00 – 15:10

### **Conclusion and Closing Remarks**

Dr. Sanjeet Ruhel, The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on International Maritime Security Law, IMLI

