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## MANAGING DIRECTOR OF COMBINED MARITIME SERVICES LIMITED LECTURES AT IMLI

IMLI had the distinct pleasure of welcoming once again, Mr. Godwin Xerri (Managing Director, Combined Maritime Services Limited). Mr. Xerri was warmly greeted by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and members of the IMLI Staff. Following his introduction to the IMLI Class of 2024-2025, Mr. Xerri proceeded to deliver, on 13 January, the first of a set of lectures entitled “*Shipping Law: An Overview*”, “*Sale and Purchase Procedure*”, and “*Management and Operations of Ships*”.



*Mr. Godwin Xerri (Managing Director, Combined Maritime Services Limited) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) with the IMLI Class of 2024-2025*





*Mr. Godwin Xerri (Managing Director, Combined Maritime Services Limited) meeting the students of the IMLI Class of 2024-2025*



*Mr. Godwin Xerri (Managing Director, Combined Maritime Services Limited) with Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI)*

## **H.E. HIGH COMMISSIONER OF NAMIBIA TO MALTA VISITS IMLI**

H.E. Ms. Linda Scott (High Commissioner of Namibia to Malta) paid a courtesy visit to the Institute on 17 January 2025. High Commissioner Scott was warmly greeted by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and members of the IMLI Staff.

During her visit, High Commissioner Scott and Director Martínez Gutiérrez met to discuss possible future cooperation between IMLI and Namibian Authorities.



*H.E. Ms. Linda Scott (High Commissioner of Namibia to Malta) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI)*



*H.E. Ms. Linda Scott (High Commissioner of Namibia to Malta) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) with the IMLI Class of 2024-2025*



# FANNIE COPLIN REGENTS CHAIR IN LAW AT THE SCHOOL OF LAW OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS LECTURES AT IMLI



IMLI welcomed for the first time, on 24 January 2025, Professor Michael F. Sturley (Fannie Coplin Regents Chair in Law, School of Law, University of Texas).

Professor Sturley was warmly welcomed by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) who introduced Professor Sturley to members of the IMLI Staff and the Class of 2024-2025.



*Professor Michael F. Sturley (Fannie Coplin Regents Chair in Law, School of Law, University of Texas) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) with the IMLI Class of 2024-2025*

Professor Sturley then proceeded to deliver a set of lectures entitled “*The International Regimes Governing Carriage of Goods by Sea*”.

During his visit, Professor Sturley presented a copy of the second edition of his book entitled “*The Rotterdam Rules*” to the IMLI Library.



*Professor Sturley presenting his book, “The Rotterdam Rules” to the IMLI Director*



## PARTNER AT HOLMAN, FENWICK AND WILLAN LECTURES AT IMLI



IMLI welcomed once again Mr. Andrew Chamberlain (Partner at Holman, Fenwick and Willan) on Monday 27 January 2025. Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (Senior Lecturer/Head of Administration, IMLI) introduced Mr. Chamberlain to the IMLI Class of 2024-2025.

Mr. Chamberlain delivered online four engaging lectures under the topic “*Law of Salvage*”.

The logo for the law firm Holman, Fenwick and Willan (HFW), consisting of the letters 'HFW' in a stylized, orange, handwritten font.

### PRESENTATION TO IMLI

Introduction to the Law on Salvage, LOF, Special Compensation and SCOPIC

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

The Institute will launch on 4 March 2025 its unique Course on the Protection of the Marine Environment and Ocean Governance.

The Course highlights the crucial role of IMO treaties, especially the instrumentality of the Marine Environment Division, in ensuring cooperation towards the protection of the marine environment and in advocating for sound ocean governance.

The Course has been lauded for its comprehensive approach to these important areas and the quality interventions of some 40 eminent speakers.

An aerial photograph of a large cargo ship sailing on the ocean. The ship is viewed from above, showing its deck and the wake it creates in the blue water. The image is part of a promotional graphic for an IMLI course.

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# DIRECTOR AND FOUNDING PARTNER OF VELLA ADVOCATES LECTURES AT IMLI



*Dr. Ivan Vella (Director & Founding Partner, Vella Advocates; Member, Maritime Law Advisory Council)*

On 5 February 2025, IMLI welcomed with pleasure Dr. Ivan Vella (Director & Founding Partner, Vella Advocates; Member, Maritime Law Advisory Council).

Dr. Vella was warmly welcomed by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and members of the IMLI Staff.

Upon his arrival, Dr. Vella was introduced to the IMLI Class of 2024-2025. This was followed by the delivery of his first set of lectures entitled “*International Conventions on Maritime Liens and Mortgages*”.



*Dr. Vella meeting the IMLI Class of 2024-2025*



*Dr. Ivan Vella (Director & Founding Partner, Vella Advocates; Member, Maritime Law Advisory Council) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) with the IMLI Class of 2024-2025*



## IMLI GOVERNOR LECTURES AT IMLI

IMLI had the distinct pleasure of welcoming again Professor Dr. Dr. H.C. Marko Pavliha (Head, Law Department, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, Slovenia; Member, IMLI Governing Board) on 12 February 2025.



Professor Dr. Dr. H.C. Pavliha was warmly greeted by Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) and members of the IMLI Staff. He was then formally introduced to the IMLI Class of 2024-2025.

Upon his introduction, Professor Dr. Dr. H.C. Pavliha proceeded to deliver the first of many lectures on “*Marine Insurance*” to the IMLI Class.



*Professor Dr. Dr. H.C. Marko Pavliha (Head, Law Department, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, Slovenia; Member, IMLI Governing Board) and Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) with the IMLI Class of 2024-2025*

The Institute notes with pleasure that this year marks the 26th uninterrupted year of Professor Dr. Dr. H.C. Pavliha’s commitment to lecturing at IMLI. Throughout this time, Professor Dr. Dr. H.C. Pavliha has been a dedicated supporter of the Institute, actively engaging in IMLI’s academic initiatives through the Distinguished Visiting Fellows’ programme and contributing to its governance as a Member of the IMLI Governing Board and Academic Committee.



*Professor Dr. Dr. H.C. Pavliha meeting the IMLI Class of 2024-2025*





## IMLI CLASS PARTICIPATES IN THE ANNUAL MOOT COURT ON MARINE INSURANCE

Following the comprehensive lectures on the topic of *Marine Insurance*, delivered by Professor Dr. Dr. H.C. Marko Pavliha (Head, Law Department, University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Maritime Studies and Transportation, Slovenia; Member, IMLI Governing Board), students of the IMLI Class participated in the Annual Moot Court on the same subject.

The Class was divided into three teams, namely the Arbitral Tribunal, the Insured (Policyholder) and the Insurer (Insurance Company). They were given a Case Study within the area of *Marine Insurance* which they had extensively covered during their lectures with Professor Pavliha. At the end of the pleadings by both sides, the Arbitrators delivered an Arbitral Award.

This exercise gave the students a hands-on approach, enabling them to put their training and knowledge into practical use.



*The Arbitral Tribunal*



*The Insured  
(Policyholder)*



*The Insurer  
(Insurance Company)*