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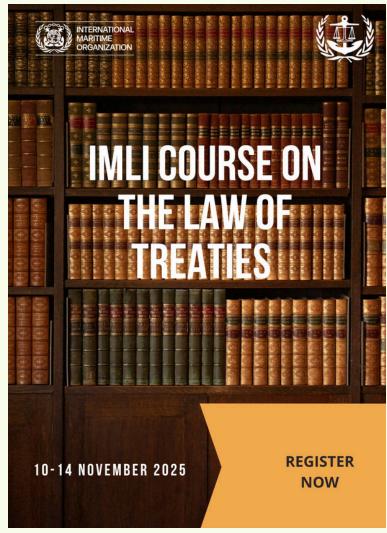


THE IMLI COURSE ON THE LAW OF TREATIES

For the sixth consecutive year, IMLI offered the specialized Course on the Law of Treaties. The Course commenced on 10 November 2025 and came to a conclusion on 14 November 2025.

This specialized Course provided in-depth an introduction to the Law of Treaties. **Participants** benefited from the delivered presentations by leading eminent experts in the field.





This Course helped equip attendees with the necessary knowledge to enhance the active involvement of State Representatives in the adoption and implementation of international treaties, with a special focus on those adopted under the IMO.



Professor Dr. Norman A. Martínez Gutiérrez (Director, IMLI) delivered the Opening Remarks of this specialized Course, wherein he explained that IMLI was set up by IMO to promote the ratification, incorporation and effective implementation of international treaties, particularly, those adopted under the IMO, into national law. He noted that, as a starting point, a number of fundamental questions must be asked, such as, 'Who can become a party to a Treaty?' 'What are the rules of consent to be bound to a Treaty?' and this Course was designed to answer these important Director Martínez Gutiérrez reiterated the questions. Institute's commitment to its capacity-building mission before introducing Dr. David K. Nanopoulos (Chief, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations) to officially Inaugurate the Course.

During this specialized Course the IMLI Director also delivered two lectures entitled "Intricacies of Treaty Interpretation" and "Implementation of International Conventions under National Law: A Drafter's Perspective".

Dr. David K. Nanopoulos (Chief, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations) delivered once again the Inaugural Lecture of this specialized Course entitled "Treaty Law and Practice: The UN Treaty Section's Contribution to the International Treaty Framework".





Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI; Professor of Public International Law, School of Law at Queen Mary University of London) delivered a set of lectures entitled "Sources of International Law, with a Particular Emphasis on Treaties", "Concept of a Treaty in International Law", "Reservations and Entry into Force", "Material Breach of a Treaty and State Responsibility" and "Amendment and Modification of Treaties".

Professor Eka Siradze (Associate Professor, Faculty of Laws, International Law Institute, Tbilisi State University) delivered a lecture entitled "UN Global and Regional Treaties for the Oceans II: Regional Seas Programme".





Dr. Agnes Rydberg (Deputy Director, Sheffield Centre for International and European Law, University of Sheffield; Lecturer in International Law) delivered a set of lectures entitled "Interim Obligations in the Law of Treaties", "Principles of State Succession in Respect of Treaties", and "Conflict of Treaties".

Dr. Ángeles Jiménez García-Carriazo (Ramon y Cajal Research Fellow at University of Cadiz) delivered a lecture entitled "Final Provisions of a Treaty: Entry into Force, Duration, and Termination".





Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Lecturer, IMLI)



Ms. Nour Nohra (ITF Seafarers' Trust Associate on Seafarers' Rights)

Ms. Ramat Jalloh (Lecturer, IMLI) was the coordinator of this specialized Course. She was assisted by Ms. Nour Nohra (ITF Seafarers' Trust Associate on Seafarers' Rights).

Alongside the IMLI Class of 2025-2026, this Course was also attended by over 40 external government nominated participants from over 30 countries. Among them were Permanent Representatives and Alternate Permanent Representatives of countries to IMO, Heads of Mission, Diplomats, and Legal Officers of Maritime and associated Departments of several countries.

The Institute is proud to have once again been able to extensively contribute to promoting capacity-building in this very important field of law.