

IMLI ALERT

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DR. MURAT SÜMER HAS BEEN PROMOTED TO THE POSITION OF THE NIPPON FOUNDATION ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW



The IMO International Maritime Law Institute (IMLI) is proud to announce the promotion of Dr. Murat Sümer to the position of *The Nippon Foundation Assistant Professor in International Maritime Law/Coordinator of Academic Affairs*. This promotion recognizes his significant contributions to maritime legal education, academic excellence, and his unwavering commitment to advancing the dissemination of knowledge in the field of international maritime law.

A national of Türkiye, Dr. Sümer is an alumnus of IMLI's Class of 2015. His journey with IMLI resumed in September 2019 when he joined the IMLI Faculty as *The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law*. Since then, he has steadily progressed and taken on different responsibilities, establishing himself as a valued member of IMLI's faculty.

Over the years, Dr. Sümer played an integral role in the Institute's academic activities and local and international capacity-building initiatives, furthering the Institute's mission and its global outreach. His promotion marks a significant milestone in his academic career, recognizing his accomplishments and standing as testament to his commitment to the maritime sector and IMLI students.



Dr. Sümer meeting Dr. Patrick J.S. Griggs CBE (then Member, IMLI Governing Board; Former President, Comité Maritime International)



Dr. Sümer raising the flag of his home country Türkiye during the annual Flag Raising ceremony held at IMLI

The IMLI Director, faculty, and staff warmly congratulate Dr. Sümer on this deserved achievement and wish him every success in his tenure as Assistant Professor.