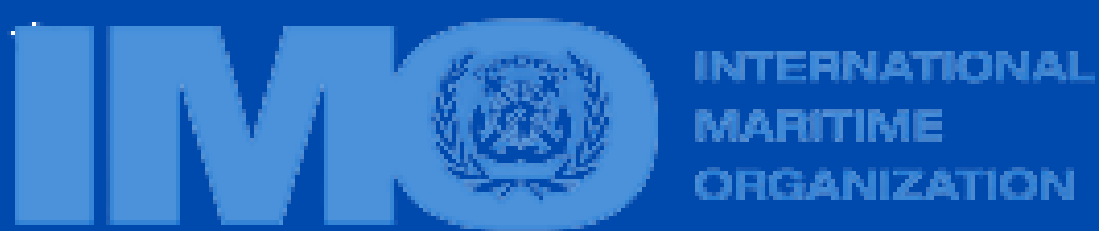


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# LAW OF PORTS COURSE 2021

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# PROGRAMME

*It has been recognized that more than 80 per cent of goods sold in international trade are carried by sea. Ports have been, in fact, centres of commerce since time immemorial and, with the progressive transformation of international trade due to the globalization of economy, shipping has been confirmed as the most efficient means of transport in terms of volume.*

*The fact that coastal States enjoy territorial sovereignty over their ports, has often led to the belief that ports fall exclusively within the realm of national law irrespective of any developments in international maritime law, especially the IMO regulatory framework. The reality of ports operations and States' measures to ensure that ports are efficient, safe, secure, and environmentally friendly, has however contrasted such misconception. Considered as the gateways of the world to international trade and a supportive structure for economic activities and development, ports are now subject to extensive regulations which reflect numerous IMO treaty provisions.*

*The Second Annual Course on the Law of Ports emphasizes the importance of the work of the IMO for the efficient management of ports and the effective implementation by States of their obligations acquired under international treaties. The Second Annual Course will address many aspects of port operations, as well as numerous areas covered by IMO conventions and prescriptions which are of vital importance to the Law of Ports, inter alia, security, safety, environmental protection, and facilitation.*

*The Second Annual Course overviews the IMO regulatory regime on the protection of the marine environment which extends to ports. It explains that ships, which may not be compliant with the requirements of international treaties and prescriptions promulgated to protect the environment from ship-source pollution (accidental or operational) may not be allowed to proceed to sea. This also extends to ships' contingency plans in case of pollution incidents and to those relating to the maintenance of compulsory insurance to compensate victims of pollution incidents. Discussions focus on the port States legislative and enforcement powers which reflect the provisions of UNCLOS and of the IMO Conventions.*





*Further, the Second Annual Course highlights the leading role of IMO in regulating prevention of air pollution from ships. To realize IMO's goal of decarbonization and desulphurization, ports have a critical role to play. From the compliant fuels they supply, to inspections to ensure the implementation of the adopted regulatory regime, port States are catalyst in the process.*

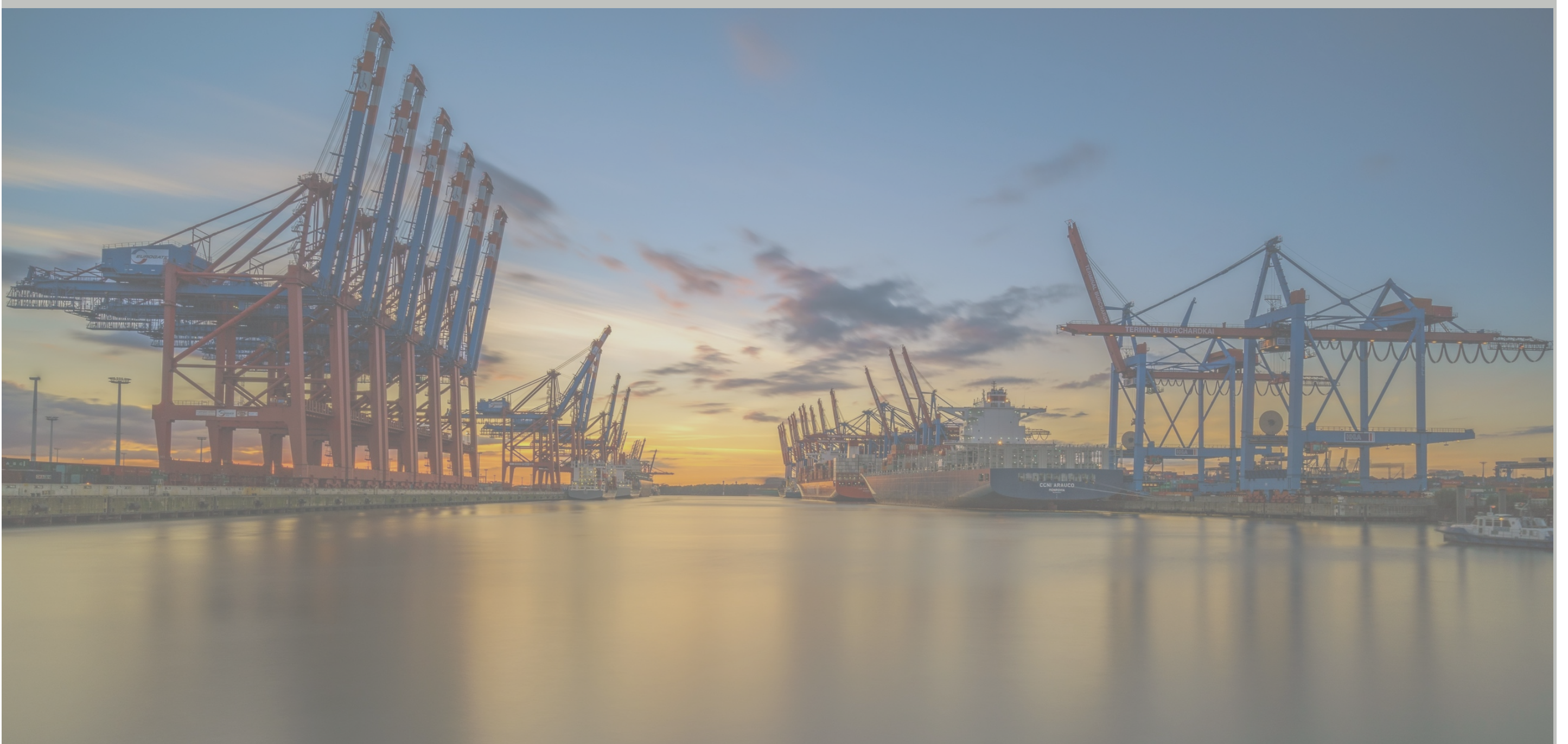
*Whereas ports, thanks to the infrastructural developments and advancements in technology, have witnessed a tremendous transformation and are the nexus that connects maritime transport with land transportation, they are also facing several security risks. The pursuit of efficiency and competitiveness shall be balanced with adequate security measures, especially those developed by the ISPS Code. For this purpose, the Second Annual Course will address the IMO responses to security threats in ports.*

*It should be recalled that IMO has noted that for international shipping to thrive, a unified, global approach to facilitation is vital. This has led to the adoption for the FAL Convention*

*which sets uniform standards and recommended practices and rules for simplifying formalities, documentary requirements and procedures on ships' arrival, stay and departure. As the FAL Convention continues to be revised and amended to meet the needs of international trade, the Course reviews the latest developments in the field which require understanding and application by port authorities.*

*Port authorities play a vital role in the upholding of labour standards. As explained in the Course, the effective implementation of regulations on repatriation, crew change arrangements, and compliance and enforcement, as stipulated in the Maritime Labour Convention, depends as much on port States.*

*Under the current COVID-19 pandemic, the Course also highlights the importance of uninterrupted flow of the global supply chain as well as the need for robust measures to ensure the repatriation and travel arrangements of seafarers and passengers while respecting the health and safety restrictions imposed by port States.*





PART A  
INTRODUCTION TO THE LAW OF PORTS  
FEBRUARY - MARCH 2021

## LECTURES AND SPEAKERS:

- Legal Status of Ports in International Law by Professor David Attard (*Director, IMLI*)
- Law of Pilotage by Professor Norman Martínez Gutiérrez (*Professor, IMLI*)
- Law of Towage by Mr. Murat Sümer (*The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Law, IMLI*)
- Introduction to Marine Environmental Law by Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (*The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI*)
- Prevention of Pollution of the Marine Environment by Professor Malgosia Fitzmaurice (*The Nippon Foundation Professor on Marine Environmental Law, IMLI*)
- Preparedness, Response and Cooperation in Case of Pollution Incidents by Ms. Ramat Jalloh (*Assistant Lecturer, IMLI*)
- Liability and Compensation Regimes in Case of Oil Pollution by Dr. Mitja Grbec (*Senior Lecturer, University of Ljubljana*)
- Alien Invasive Species and the Risk they Generate for the Marine Environment by Professor Maria Helena Rolim (*Retired Professor of Public International Law and Conflict of Laws, São Paulo University*)
- Introduction to the IMO Regulatory Regime on Reduction of Sulphur Emissions by Dr. Ángeles Jiménez García-Carriazo (*The Nippon Foundation Lecturer on Global Ocean Governance, IMLI*)
- Introduction to Security Threats to Ports by Dr. Sanjeet Ruhel (*The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Security Law, IMLI*)
- Introduction to the ISPS Code by Dr. Sanjeet Ruhel (*The Nippon Foundation Lecturer in International Maritime Security Law, IMLI*)
- Maritime Labour Standards by Ms. Ramat Jalloh (*Assistant Lecturer, IMLI*)
- Port State Control Measures by Ms. Elda Kazara-Belja (*Senior Lecturer, IMLI*)

PART B  
SPECIALIST SEMINARS ON THE LAW OF PORTS  
MARCH - APRIL 2021

## SEMINARS AND SPEAKERS:

- Ports Policy and Regulation by Mr. Patrick Verhoeven (*Managing Director, International Association of Ports and Harbors*)
- Port Ownership Structures and Port Development: Legal Considerations by Ms. Diana Whitney (*General Counsel, Hutchison Ports Europe*)
- The Relationship between Shipowners and Ports by Ms. Lamia Kerdjoudj-Belkaid (*Secretary-General, Federation of European Private Port Companies and Terminals*)
- Port States Enforcement Jurisdiction under UNCLOS by Dr. Stefano Filletti (*Lawyer, Filletti & Filletti Advocates*)
- IMO Ship-sourced Emissions, Climate Change by Mr. Roel Hoenders (*Head of the Air Pollution and Energy Efficiency, IMO*)
- Regional Approaches to Preparedness, Response and Cooperation in Case of Pollution Incidents by Mr. Gabino González Deogracia (*Head of Office, REMPEC*)
- The Environmental Initiatives at Ports Corresponding to IMO 2020 Global Sulphur Cap and Further Goals by Ms. Sakura Kuma (*Executive Director, Yokohama-Kawasaki International Port*) [TBC]
- IMO: Maritime Security Aspects by Mr. Mourad Ghorbel (*Technical Officer, IMO*)
- Port Security and Facilitation by Mr. Charles Abela (*Senior Project Officer, European Maritime Safety Agency*)
- IMO Convention on Facilitation of International Maritime Traffic by Mr. Julián Abril García (*Head of Facilitation, IMO*)





**PART B**  
**SPECIALIST SEMINARS ON THE LAW OF PORTS**  
**MARCH - APRIL 2021**

- Digitalization of the Ship-Port Interface by Ms. Martina Fontanet Solé (*Technical Officer, IMO*)
- European Maritime Single Window by Ms. Claudia Vella Casagrande (*Social and Legal Affairs Director, European Community Shipowners' Associations*)
- Container Ports by Dr. Jan Hoffmann (*Chief, Trade Logistics Branch, Division on Technology, and Logistics, UNCTAD*)
- Container Transshipment by Dr. Jan Hoffmann (*Chief, Trade Logistics Branch, Division on Technology, and Logistics, UNCTAD*)
- IMO Regulatory and Law of the Sea Issues for Autonomous Ships by Mr. Robert Veal (*Lecturer in Law Institute of Maritime Law Building, University of Southampton*)
- Preparedness of Ports by Dr Albrecht Beck (*Managing Director of Prepared International*)
- The Role of Port States in Upholding Maritime Labour Standards by Professor Laura Carballo Piñeiro (*Professor, World Maritime University*)
- Maritime Labour Standards: COVID-19 Challenges for Port States by Professor Laura Carballo Piñeiro (*Professor, World Maritime University*)
- The Role of IMO in Developing Port State Control Measures by Mr. Brice Martin Castex (*Head of Implementation of Instruments Support, IMO*) [TBC]
- Regional Memoranda of Understanding on Port State Control by Elda Kazara-Belja (*Senior Lecturer, IMLI*)
- State Practice in Port Operations: The Example of Malta by Capt. David Bugeja (*Chief Officer & Harbour Master Ports & Yachting Directorate*)
- Enhancing Capacity Building in Port and Maritime Administrations – The Experience of Singapore by Mr. Martin Marini (*Adjunct Fellow, MPA Academy*)





# WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

*This Course is addressed to professionals involved in the maritime industry, including lawyers, maritime practitioners, port officers, and ship operators. The Course would also prove beneficial to law students who wish to pursue a career in the field.*

*The Course will be delivered online. Upon completion of the Course a certificate of attendance will be issued.*

## TUITION FEE

*PART A €800*

*PART B €1,200*

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