



Institute of Maritime Law
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Director's Report 2014

Hard work, expansion of interests and prolific writing has characterised the Institute of Maritime Law over the last year due, to a large extent, to the excellent work of my predecessor, Prof. Filippo Lorenzon. Set within the vibrant Law School of the University of Southampton the Institute of Maritime Law *“aims to be a world leading centre for research, study and dissemination of maritime law and a focus for professional interest in maritime law based upon a firm institutional and financial structure”*.

The academic excellence of its members, the provision of services in the form of specialised courses and consultancies, and our sponsors are the three pillars supporting us in our aim. Several new activities have been undertaken over the past year.

IML members are competing for European and national research funds for projects ranging from the implementation of the Maritime Labour Convention to the legal liabilities of Unmanned Maritime Systems. In collaboration with the Nordisk Institut for Sjørett and the Tulane Maritime Law Centre the annual Colloquium has been organised on “Intermediaries in Shipping”. The IML also co-organised The VIII European Colloquium of Maritime Law Research on: «Common core, PECL and DCFR: Could they change shipping law? ». With the support of the Confucius Institute, Johanna Hjalmarsson and Jenny Zhang organised a conference on Chinese and English Maritime Law involving leading Chinese professors and IML members. Professor Yvonne Baatz edited the third edition of Maritime Law, a book collectively published by members of the IML, while Paul Todd pioneered web-based CPD courses, all in addition to the normal research and publication activities of the Institute.

This year's professional training included the three-week-long 41st Maritime Law Short Course and the two-week-long 6th Singapore Short. Bespoke course have also been delivered in London, Rotterdam and Arendal. In addition several consultancies have been undertaken for practitioners and organisations showing the quality of the IML expertise.

The work undertaken by the IML members is voluntary and additional to the normal tasks of academic teaching and research which this year included the tuition of a large international maritime LLM group as well as courses for undergraduate law, environment and engineering students. The interdisciplinary work of the IML is further strengthened through our participation in the leadership of the Southampton Marine and Maritime Institute, an umbrella institution which fosters collaboration between all maritime areas of excellence of the University.

Striving for international excellence is a never-ending journey. In this journey new friends join us and some leave us. This year we are saying goodbye to our friend and colleague Andrea Lista and we welcome Professor James Davey.

Our ambitious plans for the next year include participation in maritime law conferences around the world, the continuation of our flagship short courses and bespoke courses, and the development of influential research projects in maritime law with impact on the rapidly changing legal and economic background.

The commitment, determination and innovation of the IML members give me confidence that our collective work will continue to lead us to success within a widening circle of friends and supporters worldwide.

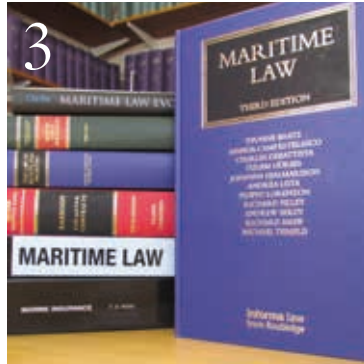
To my colleagues at the IML and the Law School, to our sponsors and our friends: thank you for a productive year.



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“The sea complains upon a
thousand shores.”

Alexander Smith, Poet







Research

Consistently ranked among the highest in their field, the Institute's members conduct research throughout the year and publish their findings in world leading maritime law publications, often quoted by international news agencies, in industry publications, and in law cases.

Books

The IML is proud to announce the publication of the third edition of **Maritime Law**, edited by **Professor Yvonne Baatz**. The book was created with the collaboration of several present and former Institute members.

John Dunt is current working on the 2nd edition of *Marine Cargo Insurance*, to be published soon.

Dr Özlem Gürses has completed a textbook on **Marine Insurance Law** which is in the process of being published.

Dr Alexandros X.M. Ntovas contributed a chapter on **"Straights used for international navigation"** for the IMO International Maritime Law Institute for the commemorative 25 year publication which will be published at the end of 2014.

Professor Paul Todd published a book entitled **Charterparties and Piracy Today**.

Ms Jenny Jingbo Zhang completed a chapter on **"Cargo Insurance Documents in Letters of Credit"** in the book *Insurance Law in China* due to be published in December 2014.

Articles

Many articles have been published in world leading journals by Institute members throughout 2014. Professor Yvonne Baatz produced a paper, **"Reasonableness, Foreseeability and Flexibility:**

construction of terms in maritime contracts and remedies for their breach" which was published in *Journal of International Maritime Law*.

Kathy Goddard published **"Flexibility in Contracts for the Carriage of Goods by Sea: a Historical Perspective"**. It was published in *Il Diritto Marittimo*, and republished in *MarIus*.

Professor Francis Rose published an article on corporate personality with reference to maritime law, entitled **"Raising the Corporate Sail"**, in *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly*.

Dr Andrew Serdy, with the assistance of Jack Steer, contributed to the entry entitled **'Continental Shelf'** in *Westlaw UK Insight* which was published in August 2014.

Professor Paul Todd published an article entitled **"Laytime, demurrage and implied safety obligations"** in the *Journal of Business Law*. He also published an article in the *Journal of International Maritime Law* entitled **"Ransom piracy and time charterparties"**.

Professor Michael Tsimplis published **'Recycling of EU Ships: From Prohibition to Regulation?'** *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly*.

Ms Jenny Jingbo Zhang wrote two articles for *Shipping & Trade Law* regarding Letters of Credit and Demand Guarantees, respectively.



Training

Ranging from short in-house seminars on maritime commercial legal issues to the flagship three-week residential Southampton Maritime Law Short Course, 2014 has been a strong year for the varied selection of renowned domestic and international courses offered by the Institute.

43 delegates from 17 countries took part in the 41st Maritime Law Short Course held in Southampton over the months of August and September. 23 speakers, including representatives from the IML and practitioners from the City, delivered the three-week residential course. The course adopts an interactive approach to training and, along with the Singapore Short Course, affirms the position of the IML as a world leader in comprehensive maritime law training.

Tailor-made for the rapidly growing Asian legal market, the '6th Singapore Short Course' was held at the Hilton Singapore in May 2014. This two-week programme highlights the Institute's ability to deliver industry relevant legal training worldwide.

With the sustained high cost of energy and increasing commodity prices the upcoming 16th CIF & FOB Contracts Course is ever more relevant given the current economic climate. This course will be held in November 2014 in the City.

Members of the Institute regularly visit the City to deliver Career Professional Development courses at firms across the industry spectrum. Topics range from Cargo Claims & Bailment to Marine Insurance.

Bespoke courses for leading maritime companies and maritime organisations can also be arranged; the knowledge of our members and their teaching expertise ensure clients receive a tailor-made service of the highest standard.



Consultancy

Bridging the gap between academia and the business community, the Institute's members take a commercial approach to their research. Thus, consultancy is a natural extension for the IML and many of our members provide advice to legal firms, industry companies, and governments at home and abroad.

Dr Andrea Lista has notably been a legal advisor to a multinational enterprise leading in underwater technology and continues to be a legal consultant to the European Parliament. Andrea had the pleasure of advising a company on the international trade of Italian ice cream as well as providing an opinion for London Commodities arbitration.

Professor Filippo Lorenzon continues to be a Senior Legal Advisor to the World Bank on multimodal transport legislation. Filippo, with the assistance of Mateusz Bek, worked on a consultancy project on a bill of lading dispute.

John Dunt has been engaged in consultancy for the Institute on marine cargo insurance issues.

Expert advice can also be provided to leading maritime stakeholders. The expertise of our members ensures clients receive a service of the highest quality.

Institute Members



Professor Michael Tsimplis

Director

Professor in Oceanography and
Maritime Law

Michael (Mikis) Tsimplis is a Professor jointly appointed by the School of Law and the National Oceanography Centre. He is currently the Director of the IML, a member of the Steering Group of MedClivar and a member of the External Expert Commission of IMEDEA (Spain). He is participating in an EU funded project looking at the liability for carbon storage under the seabed and a scientific project examining marine extremes under climate change scenarios funded by the Lloyd's Register Foundation. His main interests are admiralty law, carriage of goods by sea, marine environmental law, sea level rise, climate change and oceanic circulation.

This year he has contributed to several chapters of *Maritime Law* (3rd ed, 2014) and has published a paper titled "Recycling of EU Ships: From Prohibition to Regulation?" in *Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly*. He has also contributed to several papers in oceanography. In addition he has contributed to a number of courses organised by the IML including the **41st Maritime Law Short Course** in Southampton and the **6th Singapore Short Course**.



Professor Yvonne Baatz

Professor of Maritime Law

Professor Yvonne Baatz edited the third edition of *Maritime Law* published in August 2014 and contributed the chapters on conflict of laws and charterparties. She also published an article entitled “Reasonableness, Foreseeability and Flexibility: construction of terms in maritime contracts and remedies for their breach” in *Journal of International Maritime Law*. She published case notes “Recognition of a Regulation Judgment on the Validity of a Jurisdiction Agreement” (*Journal of International Maritime Law*) “Pushing the boundaries still further as to when ancillary clauses are incorporated into a bill of lading from a charterparty” (*Shipping and Trade Law*) and “The Effectiveness of Settlement Agreements and English Jurisdiction Agreements – *The Alexandros T*” (*Lloyd’s Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly*).

Yvonne contributed a chapter for the first OST book titled “Charterparties: Indemnities, recourse and collaterals” which is edited by Professor Filippo Lorenzon and published by Informa.

Yvonne spoke at the Conference on Chinese Law held at the University of Southampton in April 2014 addressing “The Incorporation of Arbitration Clauses in Bills of Lading and Whether They Bind Third Parties”. She spoke on a similar theme at the Roundtable on Maritime Arbitration organised by the Centre for Commercial Law Studies at Queen Mary, University of London in July 2014. Her article based on those talks is forthcoming.

Yvonne has also been heavily involved in the Institute’s professional courses. She lectured on charterparties, bills of lading, and arbitration at the **6th Singapore Short Course** in May 2014. As usual at the **41st Maritime Law Short Course** in August and September 2014 Yvonne lectured on charterparties, bills of lading, governing law and jurisdiction in maritime disputes. Additionally, Yvonne visited Rotterdam in June 2014, where she lectured on a tailor-made course in maritime law.



Dr Özlem Gürses

Associate Professor
in Maritime Law

Özlem taught an intensive course in Marine Insurance Law at Hamburg University Law Faculty in April 2014 and another intensive course in English Contract Law at the Kazakhstan National University in February 2014. In May she presented a paper on “Aggregation of Losses in Reinsurance” at the AIDA Reinsurance Working Party meeting in Athens and then taught at the **6th Singapore Short Course** and following that presented a paper on “Duties of Insurance Brokers” at an Insurance Law Conference organised by Monash University and AILA Victoria Branch in Melbourne. Özlem is involved in a comparative research project carried out by the European Centre of Tort and Insurance Law on Compulsory Liability Insurance in Europe, completing the UK National Report on Compulsory Liability Insurance Policies. She also presented a paper on the “Sue and Labour Clauses” at the Marine Insurance Working Party which met along the AIDA World Congress in Rome and a paper on Insurance Intermediaries at OST Colloquium which took place in New Orleans in October 2014. Özlem also taught Marine Insurance at Gard Marine & Energy in Arundel. A textbook on Marine Insurance Law which has just been completed by Özlem is currently being published by Taylor and Francis.



Ms Johanna Hjalmarsson

Senior Research Fellow in
Maritime and Commercial Law

Johanna Hjalmarsson is the editor of the newsletter *Shipping & Trade Law* and co-edits *Lloyd's Law Reporter* with Professor Rob Merkin. For a number of years now, she has been the editor of the Institute of Maritime Law publication *The Ratification of Maritime Conventions*. In the academic year 2013-14, Johanna wrote a chapter for Jennifer Lavelle's book on the Maritime Labour Convention and contributed to the fifth edition of Merkin's *Marine Insurance Legislation* as well as the third edition of the IML work *Maritime Law*. With Dingjing Huang, she edited *Insurance Law in China*, publishing in December 2014, in which she also co-authors a chapter. She is currently working on the follow-up *Maritime Law in China* as well as on the second edition of *Singapore Arbitration Legislation Annotated*. In the past year she has also published articles on flood insurance, insurance law reform and shipping-related subjects.

With a team consisting of Jenny Jingbo Zhang, Dingjing Huang and Haihua Song, Johanna secured funding for and organised the IML conference on Chinese and English Maritime Law in April 2014, with speakers from Tsinghua University, Dalian Maritime University and Singapore Maritime University among others, and thanks to sponsorship from the Confucius Institute, Norton Rose Fulbright and the China Maritime Centre at the University of Greenwich.

Johanna is the Director of the Insurance Law Research Group and coordinates and teaches on the courses in marine insurance and insurance law for undergraduates and postgraduates.



Dr Andrea Lista

Associate Professor in
Commercial Law

Andrea has notably worked as a legal advisor to a multinational enterprise leading in underwater technology and has been a legal consultant to the European Parliament. He has lectured for several years and widely published in various areas of commercial law (international trade, competition law, internal market law and corporate law) in Southampton and London, and he is a very active legal consultant.

Andrea has vast experience in international trade law, EU Law, Corporate Law and International Commercial Arbitration, and he is a legal consultant to companies and law firms.

In May 2013, Andrea was awarded the 'ETA Excellence in Teaching Award as the Overall Outstanding Lecturer in the School of Law', and the 'Vice Chancellor Teaching Award for Excellence in Teaching'.

In 2014, Andrea has spoken at conferences abroad, in Istanbul and Hamburg, acted as legal consultant for an Italian Company on the international trade of ice cream, and he is currently working on a new book on International Commercial Sales.



Professor Filippo Lorenzon

Professor in Maritime and Commercial law

This year has been a very busy year for Filippo who has been promoted to a Personal Chair in Maritime and Commercial Law.

Filippo has written extensively in the last 12 months, editing a book on *Charterparties: indemnities, recourse and collaterals*, to be published early next year by Informa at Routledge and taking on the new edition of *Wilson's Carriage of Goods by Sea*, to be published in the summer. He has also authored three chapters in Y. Baatz (ed.) *Maritime Law*, 3rd edition, published in August 2014.

He has spoken at a number of important international conferences in Europe and beyond: in London at the Chinese – English Maritime Law Conference co-organised by the IML, he spoke about “Trading in Dangerous Goods: is the current law still in line with market needs?”. He has also spoken in Busan, Copenhagen, Athens, Rotterdam and Singapore.

As usual Filippo lectured at the International Foundation of the Law of the Sea (IFLOS) in Hamburg and at the International Labour Organization Training Centre in Turin on international sales of commodities. He was Visiting Professor at the Shanghai Maritime University where he delivered a short module on Chartering under English Law. He is also a Visiting Professor at ECUPL, in Shanghai.

Filippo is heavily involved with the professional courses offered by the Institute. At both the ‘**41st Maritime Law Short Course**’ and the ‘**6th Singapore Short Course**’, Filippo lectured extensively on sale of goods on shipment terms, charterparties, bills of lading and cargo claims.

Filippo is a regular presence in the cities of London, Geneva and Singapore where he lectures at seminars and client briefings to the maritime legal community and delivers IML in-house training to law firms and commodity houses.

He is also a consultant with Campbell Johnston Clark Ltd in London.



Dr Alexandros X.M. Ntovas

Lecturer in Law

Alexandros was invited to contribute a chapter on “Straits used for international navigation” that features in the commemorative publication for the 25 years of the IMO International Maritime Law Institute, to be published at the end of 2014 by Oxford University Press. He also authored a chapter on the nature of the threat posed by contemporary piracy in a book dealing with Security and International Law, edited by Professor Nigel White et al, which will be also published around the same time by Hart Publishing. In May, he visited the University of Hamburg, where he spent two weeks working with Professor Henning Jessen, who holds the chair of Maritime Law, with a view to preparing a chapter on enhanced ship and port facility security, as prescribed in Regulation 725/2004 of the European Parliament and the Council. This will be included in the reputable Brussels commentary on Transportation Law series of NOMOS on European Union Law, and is due for publication early next year. In the meantime, Alexandros was also invited by the Editorial Advisory Committee of the *International Legal Materials* – a supplement to the prestigious *American Journal of International Law* – to provide a short commentary article by means of introduction to the text of the Maritime Law Convention 2006. At the moment, he is finalising a monograph (350 pages) relating to compulsory settlement procedures of international fishery disputes to be published by Martinus Nijhoff Publishers and BRILL, at Boston (USA) and Leiden (The Netherlands) by the end of 2016.

In March, Alexandros was interviewed on camera along with other members of the Institute by a French film crew for a 90 minute programme to be broadcasted in Europe on the theme of globalisation and the economy of the sea. In December 2013, he was also quoted in a BBC article on deep ocean technology and underwater hotels.

In September 2014, Alexandros was chosen to be an agora speaker for the second consecutive time at the anniversary conference of the European Society of International Law that was hosted in Vienna. In June 2014, he was invited by the Attorney General’s Chambers of Malaysia to deliver two 3-hour-long lectures on the legal regulation of laid-up ships and the decommissioning of offshore installations. In November last year, Alexandros delivered also a paper at a conference in Geneva that brought together the American and European Society of International Law’s interest groups on international environmental law.



Professor Francis Rose

Professor of Maritime and
Commercial Law

Professor Francis Rose continues to edit Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly, the International Maritime and Commercial Law Yearbook and the Restitution Law Review, and he has published new editions of Blackstone's Statutes on Commercial and Consumer Law and Blackstone's Statutes on Contract, Tort and Restitution. His article on corporate personality with reference to maritime law has been published as "Raising the Corporate Sail" in Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly. He has also continued to work on new books on Commercial Law and on Admiralty Claims.



Dr Andrew Serdy

Reader in Public International Law

Andrew Serdy was invited to present a paper at the International Symposium on Sustainable Development and the Law of the Sea which took place in June 2014 at Zhejiang University's Guanghua Law School in Hangzhou, China; he spoke on the first invocation of the review procedure to challenge a conservation measure in the new South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation as an implementation of Article 28 of the United Nations Fish Stocks Agreement, which is aimed at forestalling disputes through effective decision-making processes. He was also invited to contribute the entry entitled 'Continental Shelf' in *Westlaw UK Insight*, which was published in August 2014. In addition, his 2010 article in the *Ocean and Coastal Law Journal*, "Accounting for Catch in Internationally Managed Fisheries: What Role for State Responsibility?" was cited in a written submission by the International Union for the Conservation of Nature to the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea in advance of the September 2014 hearings in proceedings for an advisory opinion on certain fisheries questions.



Professor Hilton Staniland

Professor of Maritime Law

Professor Hilton Staniland has continued to conduct research into the situation of seafarers held hostage by pirates (“Protecting the wages of seafarers held hostage by pirates: the need to reform the law” in *International Journal of Public Law and Policy*) and more recently especially in relation to the Maritime Labour Convention 2006 (“the MLC”) which came into force internationally in August 2013 and the amendments to the MLC. The plight of seafarers held hostage, who are in many instances without legal access to their wages, has not yet, in Hilton’s view, received full treatment by any of the specialised bodies of the United Nations, including the IMO and the ILO.

The fair treatment of seafarers in the event of a maritime casualty continues to attract Hilton’s attention, especially in the light of the *Costa Concordia* and the *Sewol* tragedies. He continues to work closely with various parties at the IMO to ensure as far as possible that the IMO’s guidelines on the fair treatment of seafarers is respected internationally.

Hilton presented conference papers on: “The need to protect the wages of seafarers taken hostage by pirates” at the University of Southampton; “Ship Arrest and Maritime Labour Issues” as part of the Chinese-English Maritime Law Conference held at the China Maritime Centre at the University of Greenwich; and “Abandonment of Seafarers and Ships: Some Reflections on the most recent Developments” at the World Maritime University.

Hilton also completed a chapter on “Admiralty Law” in the *Annual Survey of South African Law 2012*, dealing with marine notices issued by the South African Maritime Safety Authority covering, for example, the safety fishing vessels and measures to give effect to the MLC and the latest amendments to the STCW Convention on the training and certification of seafarers. Leading decisions dealing with marine insurance and the arrest of ships’ bunkers to secure claims against time and demise charters were also considered in the chapter.

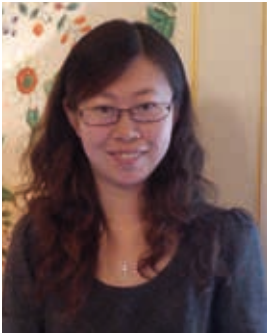


Professor Paul Todd

Professor of Commercial and
Maritime Law

Professor Paul Todd has recently published “Laytime, demurrage and implied safety obligations” in the *Journal of Business Law*, “Ransom piracy and time charterparties” in the *Journal of International Maritime Law*, and a number of short pieces on current developments in the law in *Lloyd’s Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly*. He has also published a short book entitled *Charterparties and Piracy Today*, which examines the case law emanating from the recent spate of ransom piratical events off Somalia. He is currently writing a textbook on carriage of goods by sea.

Paul Todd has also recently spoken at the **41st Maritime Law Short Course**, the 14th CIF and FOB Contracts Course, the RaetsMarine Insurance two day course, the Oslo-Southampton-Tulane colloquium, and a one-day in-house training course for Hill Dickinson (all organised through the IML).



Ms Jenny Jingbo Zhang

Lecturer in Commercial
and Maritime law

Jenny joined the Institute in March 2014, following her appointment as a Lecturer in Maritime Law at the University of Southampton. After completing both LL.B in Law and BA in Economics degrees at the Southwest University of Political Science and Law in China, Jenny had moved to Southampton reading LL.M in Maritime Law and subsequently continuing her PhD research in International Trade Law. She was conferred the 2013 Outstanding Overseas Doctorate Researcher Award by the Chinese Scholarship Council, affiliated with the Chinese Education Ministry.

Jenny's article "Bank's Post-notice Obligations in the Documentary Credits under UCP600" was published in International Journal of Private Law. Earlier this year, she wrote two articles for the Shipping & Trade Law regarding Letters of Credit and Demand Guarantees respectively. She also contributed a chapter on "Cargo Insurance Documents in Letters of Credit" in the book "Insurance Law in China" edited by Johanna Hjalmarsson and Dingjing Huang, that is due to be published by Informa Law from Routledge in December 2014.

Working together with the IML member Johanna Hjalmarsson and postgraduate researchers Dingjing Huang and Haihua Song, Jenny and her team successfully obtained a grant from the Southampton Confucius Institute towards an academic conference on Chinese Maritime Law. The conference was organised jointly by Southampton Institute of Maritime Law, Norton Rose Fulbright LLP and Greenwich China Maritime Centre at both Southampton and London in April 2014. Jenny presented her paper "Transport Document and Bank's Security" at the conference. With the aid of collective conference papers, Jenny and Johanna Hjalmarsson are currently working on publishing a book regarding Chinese Maritime Law.

Senior Research Fellows

A distinguished panel of Senior Research Fellows who represent various aspects of the legal and maritime service industry contribute further to the expertise and practical insight of the IML.

1. John Dunt

John Dunt is writing the 2nd edition of *Marine Cargo Insurance*, first published in 2009 by Informa as part of the Lloyd's Shipping Law Library. The second edition will include numerous new developments in marine insurance law, in particular, the decision of the Supreme Court in *The Cendor MOPU*, and the proposals by the Law Commissions for amendments in marine insurance law now incorporated in the Insurance Bill.

John remains a member of the Joint Cargo Committee Steering Group overseeing the revisions to the Institute Commodity Trade and other ancillary Clauses whose work should be completed shortly with the publication of the remaining Institute Clauses on the Lloyd's Market Association website.

In September 2014 John contributed to the sessions on marine insurance at the **41st Maritime Law Short Course**, focusing on cargo insurance with particular reference to the Institute Cargo Clauses 2009.

In addition, John has been engaged in consultancy for the Institute on marine cargo insurance issues. As a consultant with Clyde & Co LLP, John continues to be actively involved in advising on current marine insurance matters.

2. Captain Richard Pilley

Captain Richard Pilley, who retired some time ago as a Director of Thomas Miller P&I, continues as an active member of the Governing Board of the IML. He has lectured regularly on the Maritime Law Short Course, including conducting a tour of Southampton docks. He has also regularly fostered links with all the maritime professions, including assisting with the co-ordination of the regular Wednesday Practitioner Lectures, which are organised by the IML for the benefit of post-graduate students in the Law School. He has also contributed as a co-author, to the IML publication "Maritime Law" (edited by Yvonne Baatz) published in August 2014 which is soon to be updated. Captain Pilley is a Younger Brother of Trinity House. Captain Richard Pilley also draws on his experience in command at sea to give a perceptive commentary on the ships in port when the LLM students and Short Course delegates are taken on a passenger boat around Southampton Water.

Together, the Senior Research Fellows continue to contribute to the increasingly popular Practitioner Lectures on Wednesday afternoons. Specialist guest speakers from the many limbs of the maritime profession discuss their practical involvement in the shipping industry.



Research Staff

Mateusz Bek

Matt joined the Institute of Maritime Law as a Senior Research Assistant in October 2013, having previously been a Research Fellow with the Southampton Law School. Matt is currently a member of the Insurance Law Research Group and of the editorial team of AviationLaw.EU.

Matt recently graduated from the University of Southampton with an LL.B. (Hons) degree and subsequently an LL.M. Maritime Law (Distinction) degree. He possesses an extensive mootng background, having competed both nationally and internationally, occasionally appearing as a judge, and in his current role also coaches the mediation and IMLAM mootng teams.



Over the past year Matt extensively assisted the Institute's members with their research on a variety of issues ranging from charterparty disputes to construction of contracts for the sale of ships. He also worked closely with Professor Filippo Lorenzon on a consultancy which involved a bill of lading dispute and Associate Professor Andrea Lista on a consultancy related to a London commodity arbitration. Currently, Matt is assisting John Dunt in the preparation of the new edition of *Marine Cargo Insurance*.

On top of the work for the Institute, Matt has written a number of articles on a variety of topics, co-authored a chapter for a book dedicated to insurance law, and contributed to a couple of consultation responses. He also gave tutorials for the second semester of the LL.M. Marine Insurance module.

Matt will be leaving the IML next year to commence a training contract with a leading international shipping firm.

Jack Steer

Jack joined the Institute of Maritime law as a Senior Research Assistant in September 2013, having previously graduated from the University of Southampton with first class honours and placing second in his year in 2012. Jack is a Lord Denning and Harwicke scholar of Lincoln's Inn and was called to the Bar in July 2013, having successfully completed the Bar Professional Training Course at Kaplan Law School, where he also received an advocacy scholarship.

Over the course of the year Jack has assisted the Institute's academics by researching a variety of topics ranging from questions of competition law in relation to the proposed P3 Alliance, to issues surrounding the new



EU Ship Recycling Regulation. Jack has also spent a great deal of time assisting in the preparation of forthcoming publications from IML members. Along with Mateusz Bek, he worked with Professor Yvonne Baatz (ed) in the preparation of the new 3rd edition of Maritime Law and is currently assisting Dr Ozlem Gurses with her new book on insurance law.

In addition to his work for the Institute's members Jack has also spent time on his own research which assesses the implications that the introduction of cost budgeting may have on the functioning of the Commercial and Admiralty Courts. He has also penned articles for Shipping and Trade Law on the validity of tendering a notice of readiness via email (which was recently requested by a ship owning company to assist in a demurrage dispute), and on the fascinating issue of ancient mooring rights on the River Thames.

Drawing on his extensive mooting experience Jack, with the support of the IML, coached the University's team for the 2014 International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot throughout the year and accompanied them to the competition in Hong Kong where the mooters put in a strong performance.

Jack left the IML in late summer to commence pupillage at a leading London set.

Lectures, Conferences and Seminars

Institute members travelled worldwide throughout the year to deliver lectures and attend conferences. From Norway to China, Institute members regularly coordinate and speak at conferences with other leading academics and industry professionals.

Many of the Institute members taught at the **6th Singapore Short Course** in May and the **41st Maritime Law Short Course in Southampton** course over the months of August and September. The combined courses saw more than 60 delegates attend from over 18 different countries.

Dr Ozlem Gurses taught an intensive course in Marine Insurance Law at Hamburg University Law Faculty in April 2014. Ozlem also taught an intensive course on Marine Insurance at Gard Marine & Energy in Arundel.

Institute members Jenny Jingbo Zhang and Johanna Hjalmarsson, along with the help of Dingjing Huang and Haihua Song, secured funding for and organised the IML conference 'Chinese and English Maritime Law' in April 2014. Speakers at this conference attended from Tsinghua University, Dalian Maritime University, and Singapore Maritime University. The conference was generously sponsored by the Confucius Institute, Norton Rose Fulbright and the China Maritime Centre at the University of Greenwich.

Dr Alexandros X.M. Ntovas was chosen to be an agora speaker for the second consecutive time at the anniversary conference of the European Society of International Law hosted in Vienna, Austria. In June 2014, he was invited by the Attorney General's Chambers of Malaysia to deliver two 3-hour-long lectures on the legal regulation of laid-up ships and the decommissioning of offshore installations. The seminar was attended by more than 90 civil servants as well as by members of regulatory organisations, legal firms, and shipping and oil companies.

The International Symposium on Sustainable Development and the Law of the Sea invited Dr Andrew Serdy to present a paper in June 2014 at Zhejiang University's Guanghua Law School in Hanzhou, China.

Professor Filippo Lorenzon visited over 8 different countries to deliver lectures at universities on topics pertaining to international maritime law. Additionally, Filippo delivered a lecture at the International Labour Organization Training Centre in Turin, Italy, on the sale of commodities.

Donald O'May Lecture in Maritime Law

The Annual Donald O'May Lecture in 2014 is being delivered by Dr Rosalie Balkin on the 5th of November and is entitled 'Standard-Setting in IMO'. Proceedings are to be chaired by Mr James Wilson, Senior Partner at Ince & Co. Introduction will be given by Professor Michael Tsimplis, Director of the IML, and the Vote of Thanks will be presented by Mr Jim Harrison, Group Legal Director at Lloyd's Register. The 2013 Lecture was delivered by Mr Andrew Taylor and was entitled 'Carta Partita and the Charterparty: Times Past and times Present'.



1. Mr Andrew Taylor delivering the 2013 Donald O'May Lecture

2. Professor Michael Tsimplis lecturing at the 2014 Singapore Short Course



3. Chinese Lawyers and Academics at the 2014 Chinese Maritime Law Conference



The Philippa Kaye Library

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The Institute of Maritime Law houses the specialist Philippa Kaye law library, a unique and comprehensive resource available to visiting scholars and maritime specialist. Leading academics from around the globe, practitioners from the City and postgraduates in maritime law are regular visitors, benefiting from specialist volumes and the expert support of our Institute Librarian. A reading room is also available, containing over 40 journal titles on regular subscription and a substantial amount of IMO and UNCTAD documentation.

Although not a lending library, visitors can apply for extended access to the materials and private, long term study offices can be arranged. Please consult the Visitor Applications information on our website for further details. Visitors this year have included Dr Damien Cremean from Australia and Professor Gun Hoon Shin from South Korea and other academics from Malta, South Africa and China. LL.M. and PhD students at the University are also allowed access by special permission so the Library is in constant use, with new publications arriving daily.

In September 2010 the Library was awarded depository library status for the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO). All ICAO material is available for reference to the public free of charge by appointment.

Renamed in 2001, in memory of one of its former students, the Institute is very proud of its maritime law library. Philippa Kaye was an undergraduate and postgraduate student in the Faculty of Law at the University of Southampton, a research assistant at the Institute of Maritime Law and subsequently a solicitor at Ince & co. who established an annual endowment for the library in recognition of her achievements.

Institute Librarian

Sara Le Bas

Sara Le Bas has been the Institute Librarian since 1993. Her in-depth knowledge of the Institute Library and holdings is unrivalled; members and visitors alike benefit from her ability to source any required materials and record new works on our bespoke Library catalogue.

Sara is a qualified Librarian with a BSc in Librarianship from Loughborough University.



Visitors to the Philippa Kaye Library in the last year have included representatives from China, Italy, Oman, and Turkey.

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The Institute's members are committed to producing top rated research output published in the most globally renowned academic journals and texts. Additionally, the members' research and opinions are frequently cited in courts worldwide.

Over the past year the Institute's members have written an immense amount of text for numerous publications. One of the largest projects undertaken this year was the publication of the third edition of the Informa Law from Routledge text titled *Maritime Law*. The text was created with the collaboration of Institute members, Professor Yvonne Baatz, Dr Özlem Gürses, Ms Johanna Hjalmarsson, Dr Andrea Lista, Professor Filippo Lorenzon, Dr Andrew Serdy, Director Professor Michael Tsimplis, and with former member Charles Debattista. Senior Research Fellows Richard Pilley and the late Richard Shaw also contributed to the book, alongside research assistants Mateusz Bek and Jack Steer.

Dr Özlem Gürses has recently completed a textbook on Marine Insurance Law which is in the process of being published by Taylor and Francis.

Ms Johanna Hjalmarsson and Ms Jenny Jingbo Zhang are currently working on a book on Chinese Maritime Law.

Professor Hilton Staniland completed a chapter on Admiralty Law in the Annual Survey of South African Law dealing with the marine notices issued by the South African Maritime Safety Authority.

Paul Todd published a short book entitled *Charterparties and Piracy Today*, which discusses the case law emanating from the recent spate in ransom piratical events off the coast of Somalia.

John Dunt, is currently working on the 2nd edition of Marine Cargo Insurance which is due to be completed early next year.

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