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# Should shipping law change and how: the question is at the heart of the work of the Institute of Maritime Law of the University of Southampton

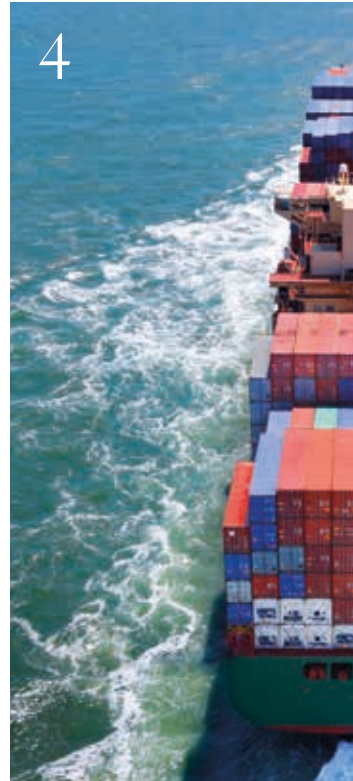
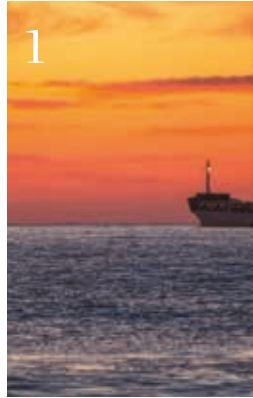
Whether it is teaching, research or consultancy, the verification of the status of the law as well as its directions come up in opinions, research articles and student projects.

Research activities and projects like the Sea Traffic Management Project, the projects on Autonomous Ships and new activities on interdisciplinary studies of atmospheric pollution at ports, all seek to address the question whether shipping law is efficient enough to optimise the use of technological development and encourage it further.

Together with legal developments and clarifications of the law brought about by court cases and new legislation they provided a productive and challenging environment. Our professional courses are the first point of dissemination of views and new ideas together with structured explanation of the points of the law which are clear and those that are not. Talking around the world, members of the IML interact with the views of all significant for shipping law markets and bring back problems of integration or success in the implementation of shipping law.

The last year has been dynamic and productive for the IML and this enabled us, with the help of our sponsors which is gracefully acknowledged, and the income from our courses to support for another year the Philippa Kay Maritime Law Library, our research support and administrative colleagues. Running the IML day to day within a difficult market and academic environment it is easy to lose sight of the bigger picture of the importance of such groupings of academics bringing together their expertise and free time in order to offer something distinct and progressive.

It is the friendship and professionalism of the IML members that makes the Institute flourish. The support of the companies which trust us with the education of their personnel and sponsor us provides us with the means of delivering legal professional research. To all of them a big thank you for the support you have provided to the IML and to me personally over the past 3 years, Brexit with its lack of clarity will challenge all aspects of legal developments and may lead to changing the directions the law has taken over the past 40 years. Assessing the options and providing a clear voice to which aspects of shipping law should better remain in line with EU laws and where better options are in existence is a discussion that will require a lot of work and thinking. Uncertain as it is, it will be a point of reference for the shipping law community and of course a point where the IML as well as all the academic and professional bodies will focus on. An exciting period is then coming up to which the IML will contribute.



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The Institute of Maritime Law would like to give a special thanks to Dr Özlem Gürses and Dr Alexandros Ntovas who left the Institute this past year. Having worked for the Institute for many years, both Ozlem and Alexandros have made outstanding contributions to teaching and research in their respective fields.

We would also like to thank Chenzuan Li, Dr Meixian Song and Dr Viktor Weber for their hard work at the Institute of Maritime Law over the past year.

We would like to welcome Mr Spyridon Papadas who joined the Institute in October 2016 as a Senior Research Assistant

# Working in partnership for a sustainable future

**Sea traffic control for optimum energy and commercial efficiency. The Sea Traffic Management Validation Project is a Motorway of the Sea project initiated and contributed by the EU since June 2015 until the end of 2018. STM aims to overcome many of the challenges of communication and information sharing between stakeholders in the maritime transport industry and create significant added value to, in particular, ship- and cargo-owners as well as ports.**

The STM Concept has been defined as the secure sharing of relevant and timely maritime information between authorized service providers and users, enabled by a common framework and standards for information and access management, and interoperable services. In the current definition of STM, it covers all actors (both land and sea based) and their operations from voyage planning, dynamic re-planning and departure to port arrival and evaluation. The STM information would be available to masters, owners, charterers, and port operators. The STM plan is to demonstrate to the users its benefits so that shipowners and ports will utilise it without any legislative or regulatory need. Indeed port authorities and large shipping companies are involved within the project and contribute to its funding.

The Institute of Maritime Law (IML) is leading the work on the legal feasibility of the STM concept by undertaking a detailed analysis of the practicalities of the STM concept and evaluating their consistency with

the legal and regulatory framework applicable to ship. The development of business models and of contracts of sale, charterparties and bills of lading which will support the optimisation of trade is also a task for the IML and this will be developed in collaboration with BIMCO and some shipping companies.

The STM project is aware of the sensitivity of the shipping market to demand and supply for vessels and the target is to optimise in ways the commercial parties will find acceptable. The IML work is led by Prof Mikis Tsimplis, Prof Filippo Lorenzon, Prof James Davey, Dr Meixian Song and Spyridon Papadas, who joined the project in October as a Senior Research Assistant. Mr Papadas took over from Dr Song who has moved into a lectureship role within the Southampton Law School. We congratulate her on the move and are pleased that she will remain engaged with the STM Project.



**Southampton is the UK's number one vehicle handling port, Europe's leading turnaround cruise port and the UK's most productive container port, because of its excellent strategic position and channel characteristics. The Port of Southampton is run by Associated British Ports (ABP), and is operated by DP World Southampton, creating hundreds of jobs. The city has very good transport infrastructure links, served by a regional airport just outside the city's northern boundary, the M3 and M27 Motorways and a main line railway to London and along the south coast.**

Southampton faces significant respiratory health issues especially for young children whose development is significantly affected. In fact, Southampton is one of the few UK cities that breached the EU standards for clean air and are projected to continue doing so even beyond 2020. An integrated approach to the problem was thus required.

The major source of atmospheric pollution in Southampton is road transport emissions. In addition, domestic gas boilers, industrial emissions, shipping emissions and aviation emissions significantly contribute towards the total although the exact contribution of each is not well documented. The research question is even more complicated because it is not clear which type of pollutant particles are more harmful and thus attribution of the health problems to sources can differ from the attribution of pollutants.

The Atmospheric Pollution at Southampton Workshop was organised by the Institute of Maritime Law on 13th July 2016 at the National Oceanography Centre. The purpose of the workshop was to

provide synergies between research disciplines at the University of Southampton and stakeholders in the area for the purpose of assessing the impact of atmospheric pollution on Southampton and provide recommendations, policy measures as well as innovative engineering solutions to mitigate the negative impacts of atmospheric pollution on the city. The workshop was organised by Professor Mikis Tsimplis, and Dr. Johanna Hjalmarsson from the Institute of Maritime Law and Dr. Emily Reid from the University of Southampton Law School. The medical, engineering, legal as well as social aspects of dealing with such a difficult problem were discussed, including atmospheric pollution from ships and its legal framework. Further activities to develop an effective plan in collaboration with the Southampton City Council are being discussed.

A Synthesis Report summarizing the main findings from the workshop is available at:

<http://www.southampton.ac.uk/iml/research/atmosphericpollution.page>

# Is the future of Shipping Autonomous?



The Institute of Maritime Law completed a 12 month collaborative research project funded by the European Defence Agency looking at the legal feasibility of the deployment of unmanned craft. Such craft are already in use by various navies, in order to reduce risks to personnel. In addition they are in use by the offshore industry as well as research institutions. Such craft are either controlled remotely by an operator or are preprogrammed to travel autonomously with little or no human interaction.

The technology of taking a land/marine/air craft from one point to another is well developed and demonstrated with military unmanned aircraft and automatic pilots. The development of global positioning systems makes the establishment of an appropriate navigational route easy to define and follow. What is more difficult is to ensure that such a movement will be completed safely. To ensure safety the applied technology and the resulting system should meet standards that will make it safe for operation in ports, coastal areas and the open ocean. Developers of such craft require to know what these standards are as the success of their investment depends on the craft being able to compete for business. Regulators on the other hand are not prepared to give such an answer without first being persuaded that such systems are indeed safe.

Compliance with shipping regulations is a component towards their use. Where compliance with the relevant shipping regulation is not possible due to a reference to the master or the crew, modifications can be sought to the legislation to cover the relevant craft. For example, the controller of a remotely controlled UMV could be argued to be the master of the unmanned ship. However this solution as well as the very existence of a regulatory framework depends on whether U MVs are ships or not.

The project completed under the leadership of the IML and with the contribution of the Faculty of Engineering & the Environment, Lloyd's Register, the National Oceanography Centre and two independent consultants, John Wills and Helen Tung has provided a comprehensive assessment of the legal issues and the legal position for such craft (or robots if you prefer) in several jurisdictions. The work has been presented in various international fora including international and professional conferences.

The IML is currently working through PhD Researchers and collaborative initiatives towards extending this work to large ships which certainly pose additional problems including a need to demonstrate financial advantages for shipowners and the situations of salvage and search and rescue.

# Short Courses

## The Maritime Law Short Course

The Maritime Law Short Course at Southampton has been providing innovative maritime law training to delegates from around the world for over 40 years. As the only comprehensive residential course available on maritime law in the UK, the course combines a top quality learning environment with world leading expertise.

While unrivalled in intensity, the Maritime Law Short Course has a strong social dimension. A number of social engagements are arranged to complement the training sessions, including; a welcome reception, a lunch trip around Southampton harbour and the Solent, a farewell dinner and numerous opportunities for weekend activities, all of which contribute to the course's friendly and informal atmosphere. It is a long established tradition for delegates from previous courses to organise reunions to keep in touch with the global network of professionals met through the course.

This year, 30 delegates of 15 different nationalities attended the course. As well as attending 80 sessions of training during their time in Southampton, they also participated in a variety of social events. From a night of traditional British food with a pub quiz to a tour of the HMS Victory in the historic dockyard in Portsmouth, the course offers delegates a chance to experience life in Southampton as well as receive training from world-leading Maritime Law experts.

## The Singapore Short Course

The Institute of Maritime Law also offers an intensive two week course in Singapore. This internationally renowned course is delivered by some of the most respected experts in the field.

The course speakers include leading scholars, experienced professionals and prominent legal practitioners. The fusion of academic excellence and practical know-how ensures delegates receive a rigorous examination of the most significant legal issues affecting today's shipping industry. The Singapore Short Course takes an innovative approach to legal training, eschewing the strict formality of a lecture-only course, in favour of a variety of case-studies, question and answer session and small group discussions. Delegates are provided with the very latest legal materials of the highest calibre, in an environment that allows them to best engage with this ever evolving area of law. Working with the IML's experts on the forefront of this ever-developing industry, guarantees enduring benefits for participants and their employers.



Delegates and IML Staff at the 43rd Maritime Law Short Course.



# History of the Maritime Law Short Course in Southampton

## Delegates



## The 2016 Course in Numbers



“It was an honour and indeed a privilege to have experienced the rigour and exactitude of the IML’s 43rd Maritime Law Short Course. I have been enriched, and am eternally grateful for, the tuition, and intuition, of professionals second to none in their respective fields.”

**Phil Perinchief**  
PJP Consultants, Barristers & Attorneys-at-Law, Bermuda

“Since the publication of my book *Insuring Cargoes*, I have been in touch with Mr John Dunt the author of an award winning book on the subject and have consulted him on a number of complex issues where there is lack of clarity among practitioners. John has this ability to explain complex subjects in very clear terms and has been a true guide in my own quest to explore this fascinating subject.”

**K.S.Vishwanath**

Author of *Insuring Cargoes-A practical guide to the law and Practice* (Witheyby Insurance & Legal, 2010).



# Working in partnership

## Consultancy

The Institute's consultancy work also includes advice on issues raised in the specialist shipping and marine insurance works published by members of the Institute.

For example, John Dunt has carried out consultancy work in his specialised field of marine cargo insurance. John advises particularly on the construction of the Institute Cargo Clauses, perhaps the most widely used form of marine cargo cover used in international trade. In this respect John draws on his long experience in practice as a specialist lawyer and partner with Clyde & Co in this field and his work in assisting the joint Cargo Committee in drafting the Institute Cargo Clauses 2009. John's consultancy work for the Institute concentrates on the issues dealt with in the books he produced with the support of the Institute, *Marine Cargo Insurance*, 2nd edition 2016, and *International Cargo Insurance*, 2012.

## Bespoke training

Our bespoke courses give clients the opportunity to learn from some of the leading academics in maritime law. Their knowledge, continuous research and innovative writings, published worldwide in leading maritime journals and books, ensure clients receive tailor-made teaching expertise and service of the highest standard. These courses allow companies to discuss their personal requirements for course content, as well as length and specificity.

The Institute runs different courses each year but will consider repeating courses, should interest require.

Bespoke courses are subject to availability of Institute members and other speakers, and can be arranged by contacting the Institute's Senior Administrative Officer directly on [c.l.brady@southampton.ac.uk](mailto:c.l.brady@southampton.ac.uk).

## Areas of expertise

- Professor Filippo Lorenzon now works as a Consultant with Campbell Johnston Clark. His areas of expertise are International Trade, Carriage of Goods by Sea and Air and European Maritime Law.
- Professor Yvonne Baatz will be launching a new Private International Law Group to focus on arbitration and court litigation particularly in relation to maritime disputes of all types. The launch will be celebrated with a one day conference in London, details to be announced on the IML website.

# Global academic success

## London

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Professor Yvonne Baatz, Dr Johanna Hjalmarsson and Professor Andrew Serdy organised an academic conference called At the Cutting Edge of Commercial Law for the Institute of Maritime Law on 27 June 2016. The conference was generously hosted at the offices of Norton Rose Fulbright overlooking the Tower of London. Academics from several other universities in the United Kingdom joined speakers from the Institute of Maritime Law and Sir Richard Aikens, former Court of Appeal judge, to address topical issues on four panels: Sale of Goods, Insurance, Current Navigational Issues in the Law of the Sea and Conflict of Laws. The conference was very well attended with 78 delegates and sponsored by the publishers, Informa. There was a lively debate following each panel.

Papers delivered by members of the IML were:

- Filip Saranovic - *'The territorial scope of freezing injunctions: recent developments'*
- Professor Andrew Serdy - *'Who has Jurisdiction? The Enrica Lexie'*
- Professor Filippo Lorenzon - *'Retention of title clauses in sale contracts: the extraordinary case of bunker supply agreements'*
- Professor James Davey - *'The strange disappearance of freedom of contract in Marine Insurance Law'*
- Professor Michael Tsimplis and Dr Alexandros Ntovas – Queen Mary University of London - *'Defining a ship within the prospect of unmanned navigation'*
- Professor Yvonne Baatz - *'The twentieth birthday of the Arbitration Act 1996: any conflict of laws problems?'*

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Sir Bernard Eder's keynote Address at the AGM of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London Branch) entitled: "Does arbitration stifle development of the law? Should s.69 be revitalised?" which can be viewed on [www.londonarbitrators.org](http://www.londonarbitrators.org).

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In April 2016 at the Anglo-Chinese Maritime Law & Practice in Transition Conference, organised with the support of the Confucius Institute: Dr Jenny Jingbo Zhang gave a presentation entitled *'Bills of Lading and Bank's Security under Chinese Law'*

Dr Johanna Hjalmarsson spoke on 'Pre-emptive strikes: setting up a limitation fund'

Mr Robert Veal delivered a paper titled - 'The legal challenges posed by autonomous shipping'

Professor Yvonne Baatz discussed - 'Concurrent proceedings in the English and Chinese courts'

## The 33rd Donald O'May Lecture

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The 33rd Donald O'May Lecture took place at Lloyds of London. Chaired by Kees van der Klugt, Director of Legal Compliance at Lloyd's Market Association, the lecture was delivered by retired Commercial Court Judge, Sir Bernard Eder, whose lecture entitled: "The construction of shipping and marine insurance contracts: why is it so difficult?", now published in [2016] LMCLQ 220. The vote of thanks was given by Joe O'Keeffe, Partner at Ince & Co.

## Southampton

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The Institute of Maritime Law Wednesday Lecture Series is proud to have a close involvement with the University of Southampton's one year LLM course in Maritime Law. Organised by Institute member Professor Paul Todd, every Wednesday, experts and business people from the shipping and marine industries provide insight into how the legal principles studied in their LLM programme are put into practice in the world of shipping and international trade.

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Johanna Hjalmarsson organised the Insurance Fraud Symposium at Southampton University with invited speakers from Rutgers University along with select UK speakers.

## Swansea

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Yvonne Baatz spoke at the University of Swansea's annual colloquium on 15- 6 September on "Clauses Paramount".

## **The Netherlands**

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Andrew Serdy was an invited speaker at the Unijuris Seminar on Extraterritoriality in Port State Jurisdiction: Diverging Approaches to the Regulation of Global Values within the Law of the Sea Regime, Utrecht University School of Law, 14 December 2015.

## **Monaco & Berlin**

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Professor Andrew Serdy presented a paper at the 8th Conference of the (International Hydrographic Organisation and International Association of Geodesy) Advisory Board on the Law of the Sea in Monaco in October 2015, looking into whether the delimitation of Bangladesh's maritime boundaries with its neighbours has left any role for the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf in determining the outer limit of that zone for Bangladesh. This was then later developed further for a February 2016 symposium on the law of the sea and maritime security co-hosted by the Embassy of Japan, Berlin and the Japanisch-Deutsches Zentrum Berlin.

## **China**

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Qingdao, China - In November 2015, Dr Jenny Jingbo Zhang presented a paper "Transport Documents and Third Parties' Security" at the BIT's 4th Annual World Congress of Ocean.

Xiamen, China - In March 2016, Dr Jenny Jingbo Zhang delivered a seminar on "Parties Involved in International Trade & Their Relationship under English Law" at Xiamen University and Jimei University respectively.

Chongqing, China - In March 2016, Dr Jenny Jingbo Zhang gave a talk on "Transfer of Risk in International Commercial Sales under English Law" at Southwest University of Political Science and Law.

Dalian, China - In March 2016, Dr Jenny Jingbo Zhang delivered a seminar on "Transport Documents and Third Parties' Security" at Dalian Maritime University.

## **Bilbao, Spain**

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In September 2016, Richard Coles and Filippo Lorenzon delivered a paper entitled "The financing of Superyachts after the 2008 financial crisis" at the IX European Colloquium of Maritime Law Research.

## **Singapore and Kuala Lumpur**

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In November 2015, Dr Özlem Gürses delivered two seminars in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur on 'Insurance Law Reform' and 'Offshore contracts – insurance matters'.

## **Hamburg**

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Dr Özlem Gürses taught Insurance Law at the University of Hamburg in April 2016.

## **Rhodes**

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In May, Dr Özlem Gürses taught marine insurance at the Tulane University Summer Abroad Programme in Rhodes.

## **Vienna and Helsinki**

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Dr Özlem Gürses presented conference papers at Insurance Law conferences in Vienna and in Helsinki in June 2016.

## **New York, United States of America**

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Robert Veal spoke at the 42nd Comité Maritime International Conference, New York, USA 2-6 May 2016. He presented a paper about the Regulation of the Navigation of Unmanned Ships.

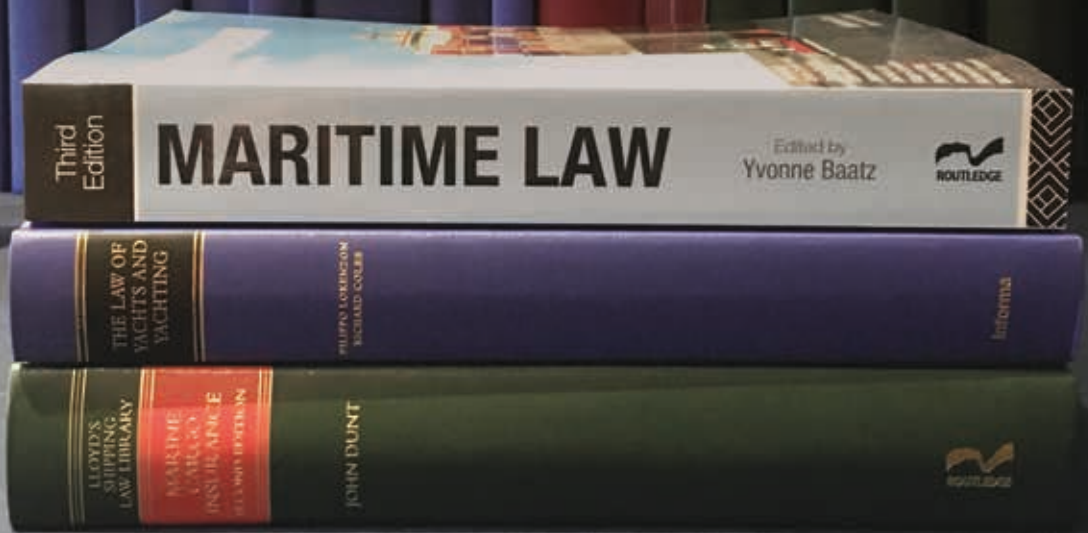
# Philippa Kaye Library in Maritime Law

The Institute of Maritime Law is proud to house the Philippa Kaye Library in Maritime Law, a unique and comprehensive collection of texts relating to the world of maritime law and its complexities. The library is available to visiting scholars and maritime specialists, as well as postgraduate students from the University of Southampton.

Although not a lending library, visitors can still apply for extended access to materials and private study offices can be arranged on a long-term basis. Leading

academics from around the world and practitioners from the City regularly visit the library to benefit from its specialist volumes and to receive the support of our Institute Librarian.

Please consult the Institute's Senior Administrator, Miss Clare Brady, for information on applying to become a Visiting Researcher.  
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12,000

Books in the  
library

20

Publications  
in 2016

# Our research in print

## Reading List of new publications

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2016 has seen another successful year of contributions to maritime law literature by the Institute. The members' expert knowledge is reflected through the frequent use of their research and opinions in courts worldwide.

Johanna Hjalmarsson and Jingbo Zhang (eds), *Maritime Law in China: Emerging Issues and Future Developments*, Routledge, 2016

Jingbo Zhang, "Bills of Lading in Banker's Hands: does Chinese legislation offer sufficient security?" in Johanna Hjalmarsson and Jenny Jingbo Zhang (eds), *Maritime Law in China: Emerging Issues and Future Developments*, Routledge, 2016

Johanna Hjalmarsson, wrote short pieces for *Shipping and Trade Law* and case comments for Lloyd's List on *PST v OW and Versloot Dredging* within two days of each of the Supreme Court judgments.

Johanna Hjalmarsson co-edited with Dr Jenny Zhang, *Maritime Law in China*, published in September, also co-authoring a chapter with postgraduate researcher Keren Wu on contracting in the spot markets.

The second edition of the student textbook on marine insurance law written by Özlem was published in August 2016.

Dr Özlem Gurses also co-authored an article with Professor Rob Merkin on construction of insurance contract terms after the Insurance Act 2015 which was published by Law Quarterly Review.

Filippo Lorenzon, CIF and FOB Contracts, 6th edn due out at the end of 2016.

Filippo Lorenzon, "From Sails to Drones: time to reconsider a uniform liability regime for multimodal transport?" (2015) 21 JIML 331

Kathleen S. Goddard, "Rescuing refugees and migrants at sea: some commercial shipping implications" (2015) 21 Journal of International Maritime Law 352 - 367.

Paul Todd, *Principles of Carriage of Goods by Sea*, Routledge (2016).

The 2nd edition of John Dunt's *Marine Cargo Insurance*, was published in 2016 by Informa Law from Routledge as part of the Lloyd's Shipping Law Library. This edition has been completely revised and re-written to include, in particular, the Insurance Act 2015, the decision of the Supreme Court in *The Cendor MOPU*, and the proposals by the Law Commissions for amendments in marine insurance law.

John Dunt's chapter (with William Melbourne) on the impact of The Cendor MOPU on cargo insurance was published in Volume 4 of *The Modern Law of Marine Insurance*, Informa Law from Routledge, 2016 (edited by Prof. D. Rhidian Thomas).

John is currently updating his chapter on *Double Insurance* (with Wayne Jones) to be published in the fourth edition of *Insurance Disputes* (Mance, Goldrein & Merkin, eds.).

Andrew Serdy, "Implementing Article 28 of the UN Fish Stocks Agreement: The First Review of an Objection to a Conservation Measure in the New South Pacific Regional Fisheries Management Organisation", (2016) 47 *Ocean Development and International Law* 1-28.

Andrew Serdy, "The Shaky Foundations of the FAO Port State Measures Agreement: How Watertight Is the Legal Seal against Access for Foreign Fishing Vessels?"; (2016) 31 *International Journal of Marine and Coastal Law* 422-441.

Andrew Serdy, *The New Entrants Problem in International Fisheries Law* (Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2016), xxiii + 485 pp.

Yvonne Baatz contributed a chapter entitled "Incorporation of a Charterparty Arbitration Clause into a Bill of Lading and its Effect on Third Parties" to a book on *The Role of Arbitration in Shipping Law* edited by Miriam Goldby and Loukas Mistelis published by Oxford University Press in July 2016.

Yvonne Baatz contributed a chapter to a book edited by Johanna Hjalmarsson and Jenny Zhang entitled *Maritime Law in China: Emerging Issues and Future Developments*, The book is based on a conference organised by Johanna Hjalmarsson and Jenny Zhang at the University of Southampton in April 2014 and funded by the Confucius Institute. Her chapter is entitled 'An English jurisdiction clause in a bill of lading: construction and consequences of breach.'

Yvonne Baatz has contributed two chapters on Jurisdiction and Governing Law to the sixth edition of *Sassoon CIF and FOB Contracts* by Filippo Lorenzon to be published by Sweet and Maxwell in December 2016.

Yvonne Baatz - article entitled "How will Brexit affect exclusive English jurisdiction agreements?" was published in *Shipping and Trade Law* in August 2016.

# Institute Members



## Mikis Tsimplis

**Director, Professor in Oceanography and Maritime Law**

Michael Tsimplis is a Professor jointly appointed by the School of Law and the National Oceanography Centre. Presently he is the Director of the Institute of Maritime Law, Deputy Director of the Southampton Marine and Maritime Institute, a member of the steering group of MedClivar and a member of the External Expert Commission of IMEDEA (Spain). He is currently participating in an EU funded project looking at the development of a Sea Traffic Management system optimising shipping and port operations and he is in research management and award panels for the European Science Foundation and the French National Research Council. His main interests are admiralty law, carriage of goods by sea, international law of the sea, sea level rise, climate change and oceanic circulation.



## Yvonne Baatz

**Professor of Maritime Law**

Yvonne Baatz is a Professor of Maritime Law in the Law School at the University of Southampton. She qualified as a solicitor in 1981 and practised with two leading firms of solicitors in the City of London, specialising in shipping litigation until 1991 when she became a Lecturer in the Law School at the University of Southampton. Yvonne has published numerous articles and chapters on arbitration; carriage of goods by sea; conflict of laws and international litigation, particularly in maritime and insurance disputes; and marine insurance. She is a Member of the Institute of Maritime Law and served as Institute Director for three years from 2003.





## Professor James Davey

**LLB (Nottm) 1993, LLM (Nottm) 1994,  
Professor of Insurance & Commercial Law,  
University of Southampton**

James is Professor of Insurance & Commercial Law at the University of Southampton Law School. He joined the Faculty in October 2014, having been a member of Cardiff University from 2001. He has written extensively on insurance contract law, and draws upon his expertise in behavioural economics and regulatory theory to provide a critical analysis of judicial and governmental law-making. He has presented his work internationally, to academic and practitioner conferences. He has acted as research consultant to a leading maritime law Chambers, including advice on the appeal in *North Star Shipping Ltd v. Sphere Drake Insurance plc* [2006] 2 Lloyd's Rep 183. He is a member of the Ministry of Justice / Treasury Taskforce on Insurance Fraud and editor of the Marine Insurance and General Average section of the Lloyd's Maritime and Commercial Law Yearbook. He is a member of the Institute of Maritime Law and a co-director of the Insurance Law Research Group.



## Dr Özlem Gürses

**Associate Professor in Maritime Law**

Özlem studied law at Istanbul University Law Faculty where she also worked as a research assistant after she finished her first degree and masters degree in law. She then studied LLM in Maritime Law and PhD in reinsurance law at the University of Southampton. She taught Carriage of Goods by Sea, Contract and Marine Insurance at the Norwich Law School before she took up a full time lectureship at the Southampton Law School. She was a member of the Institute of Maritime Law for a number of years before she joined King's College London on 1st September 2016.

During her time at the University of Southampton Ozlem was actively involved in the activities of the Institute of Maritime Law, she taught on the Southampton and Singapore Short courses and organised a conference on commercial law on behalf of the Institute in June 2015.



## Dr Johanna Hjalmarsson

**Informa Associate Professor in Maritime and Commercial Law**

Johanna Hjalmarsson graduated with a *juris kandidat* (LLM) from Stockholm University in 1995 and an LLM in Maritime Law from Southampton in 2005. In 2016, she graduated as a Doctor of Philosophy from the University of Southampton with a thesis entitled *Fraudulent Insurance Claims: Legal Definition and Judicial Consequences*.

Johanna Hjalmarsson has been working at the University of Southampton since 2004. Before joining, she qualified as a *tingsnotarie* in Sweden and worked for several years for the United Nations and on law reform in transitional countries. She is the editor of the newsletter *Shipping and Trade Law* and co-edits *Lloyd's Law Reporter* with Professor Rob Merkin. She remains the editor of the Institute of Maritime Law's publication *The Ratification of Maritime Conventions*. Her main areas of interest are insurance law, notably marine insurance, carriage of goods by sea and enforcement of maritime claims.

## Professor Filippo Lorenzon

**Professor in Maritime and Commercial Law**

Filippo is Chair of Maritime and Commercial Law in the Southampton Law School and the former Director of the Institute of Maritime Law. He has a Laurea in Giurisprudenza (Italy), a LL.M. (Soton) and is fully qualified as an Avvocato in Italy and as a Solicitor in England and Wales (n.p.). He is a Member of both the Italian and the British Maritime Law Associations, The European Maritime Law Association (EMLO) and the International Bar Association (IBA).

Filippo has been working with leading maritime and commercial law firms in Genoa and Venice and is now a Consultant with Campbell Johnston Clark in London.



## Filip Saranovic

**Lecturer in Law**

Filip is a Lecturer in Maritime Law and a Member of the Institute of Maritime Law at the University of Southampton. Filip lectures in LLB and LLM modules Commercial Conflict of Laws and International Litigation and Carriage of Goods by Sea. He was previously a Graduate Teaching Assistant for the LLM module International Commercial Litigation at the University of Cambridge.

Filip's research interests are primarily in the fields of private international law, commercial litigation and maritime law. He is in the process of finalising his doctoral thesis on the private international law aspects of freezing injunctions and is supervised by Dr Pippa Rogerson (University of Cambridge). During his doctoral research Filip was also a Visiting Researcher at Harvard Law School focusing on the theoretical foundations of jurisdiction and asset preservation relief including pre-judgment attachment and preliminary injunctions.



## Professor Andrew Serdy

**Professor of Public International Law and Ocean Governance**

B.A. (Hons) (Syd), LL.B. (Hons) (Syd), LL.M. (ANU), PhD (ANU), Solicitor of the Supreme Court of New South Wales.

Andrew lectures at the School of Law in Public International Law and the International Law of the Sea and was promoted to a personal chair with effect from August 2015. He is a member of the Editorial Board of *Ocean Development & International Law*. Before his appointment to the University of Southampton in 2005, Andrew was first briefly an employed solicitor with Freehill, Hollingdale & Page in Sydney and then worked for many years in the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. There he first served in a number of diplomatic positions (including postings in Tokyo and Warsaw), before specialising from 1996 in the law of the sea, including appearing for Australia in 2000 in the Southern Bluefin Tuna case - the first ever to come before an UNCLOS Annex VII tribunal. Later he became deputy director of the Department's Sea Law, Environmental Law and Antarctic Policy Section.

Andrew has advised the Canadian Government on certain legal questions relating to its submission to the CLCS. In addition he has been an invited expert at a workshop organised by the OECD High Seas Task Force, and a co-author of a report to the Fisheries Committee of the European Parliament on Prospects for the UN (Straddling and Highly Migratory) Fish Stocks Agreement. Andrew's research interests encompass continental shelf and other maritime delimitation, international fisheries law with particular emphasis on transboundary fish stocks and institutional aspects of the law of the sea.



## Professor Hilton Staniland

**B.A. (Hons); LL.B.; LL.M.; Ph.D., Professor of Maritime Law, University of Southampton**

Hilton was formerly a Deputy Vice Chancellor of the University of KwaZulu-Natal, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the South African Maritime Safety Authority, Head of the School of Maritime Studies University of Natal, and Director of the Institute of Maritime Law at the University of Southampton.

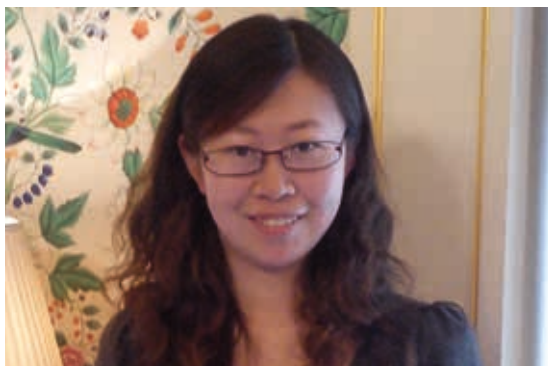
Hilton is an Advocate and a member of the Advisory Board of Seafarers' Rights International. He regularly appears at the IMO. He has sat with different judges as an assessor in many murder, rape and robbery trials, and been heavily involved in salvage, collision and wreck cases. He has personally presided over a major trial in a Court of Inquiry dealing with the loss of a ship and 19 lives at sea. Hilton is active in maritime law reform and policy formulation.



## Professor Paul Todd

**Professor of Commercial and Maritime Law**

Professor Paul Todd has taught in Southampton for four years, having previously taught at Cardiff, Swansea and Plymouth. He has been teaching on LLM programmes in maritime law for nearly 30 years, and currently teaches International Commercial Arbitration on the LLM programme, and International Commercial Sales on the LLB. He is the Chair of Examiners, and until recently organised the IML visiting lecture series, which runs on Wednesday afternoons. He has spoken at various IML events, including the last two CIF and FOB conferences, and the last five Maritime Law Short Courses in the summer. He has published widely, not only books but also articles in academic journals.



## Dr Jenny Jingbo Zhang

**Lecturer in Commercial and Maritime Law**

Jingbo 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 from the Southwest University of Political Science and Law in China, Jingbo moved to Southampton reading LL.M in Maritime Law and subsequently completed her PhD research in “Document Examination and Rejection under UCP600”. She was conferred the 2013 Outstanding Overseas Doctorate Researcher Award by the Chinese Scholarship Council affiliated with the Chinese Education Ministry.

Jingbo has been teaching both the undergraduate course International Commercial Sales and the postgraduate course International Trade Law at Southampton. Jingbo’s main research interests are International Trade, Banking, Carriage of Goods by Sea, Marine Insurance and WTO Law. With the background of studying international economics and trade, Jingbo would also like to carry out interdisciplinary research to connect financial practice with legal framework.



## Sir Bernard Eder

**Institute Member**

Sir Bernard Eder became a member of the IML in 2015. He originally qualified as a barrister in 1976 when he joined what was then called 4 Essex Court – now renamed Essex Court Chambers. He practised as a barrister for almost 35 years – between 1976 and 2010 – specialising in commercial litigation and international arbitration with a particular interest in shipping, international trade, banking, energy (oil and gas) and insurance/reinsurance. In 1991, he was appointed Queen’s Counsel. During his practice at the English Bar, he acted as Counsel in over 100 reported cases (including in the Commercial Court, the Court of Appeal, the House of Lords and the Privy Council) and over 200 international arbitrations.

In 2011, he was appointed a Judge of the High Court of England and Wales. He retired from the Bench in April 2015. During his time as a High Court Judge, he sat mainly in the Commercial Court in London where he presided over a number of high-profile trials.

He continues to sit in the Commercial Court from time to time and has also now rejoined Essex Court Chambers as an arbitrator/mediator. In May 2015, he was appointed an International Judge of the Singapore International Commercial Court. He is the Senior Editor of *Scrutton on Charterparties & Bills of Lading*.

# Research Fellows



## Richard Coles

Richard Coles has practised as a solicitor in London since 1973 advising clients in connection with the construction, sale and purchase and financing of ships and yachts of all kinds. Since the mid 1990's, his work has focused on the superyacht sector, representing yacht owners, brokers, trade associations and banks, among others. He was an assistant solicitor at Holman Fenwick and Willan from 1973 to 1977, a solicitor and later partner at Carter Faber from 1977 to 1990 and a partner at Shaw and Croft (later Gateley Plc) from 1990 until 2014. In January 2015 he was appointed a Consultant at Gateley and shortly afterwards a member of the IML

He continues his work as a Consultant at Gateley, a member of the IML Governing Board, and the Cayman Islands Shipowners' Advisory Council - Yacht Committee. He is a regular speaker at the Wednesday afternoon lectures in Southampton and at seminars and conferences in the UK and abroad.



## John Dunt

John Dunt read law at the LSE and was articled to Donald O'May at Ince & Co. following which he qualified as a solicitor in 1972. He joined Clyde & Co in 1975 and was a partner from 1977 to 2007 specialising in shipping and marine insurance, with particular reference to cargo insurance. After retirement as a partner of Clyde & Co in 2007, he remained a consultant until June 2016.

John's particular interest over the last 20 years has been marine cargo insurance and the Institute Cargo Clauses. John was ex-officio legal adviser to the Joint Cargo Committee from December 1999 to April 2007 and was involved in drafting the wordings used in marine cargo insurance policies worldwide to control terrorism risks. He was also a member of the Joint Cargo Committee Working Party responsible for updating and revising the Institute Cargo Clauses 2009. Until June 2016 John was a member of the Lloyd's Market Association Steering Group overseeing the revisions to the Institute Trade and Commodity Clauses.

During his career at Clyde & Co John advised clients in the London insurance market and the word wide insurance markets, particularly Japan. He continues to provide advice through the Institute on a consultancy basis on matters of marine cargo insurance.



## Kathleen Goddard

Kathleen Goddard is a Visiting Senior Research Fellow in the Institute of Maritime Law. She graduated with an LL.B. (Hons) degree from the University of Birmingham and an LL.M. from the University of London. She trained as a solicitor with a leading firm of solicitors in the City of London which specialises in maritime and commercial law before commencing an academic career. Kathleen has taught at the Inns of Court School of Law, the University of Exeter, the University of Southampton and the University of Plymouth.

Kathleen now devotes her time to research and writing. She is currently engaged in research relating to the legal implications for commercial shipping of rescuing refugees and migrants at sea. She is also developing her interest in maritime legal history.

## 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. 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.

# Research Team



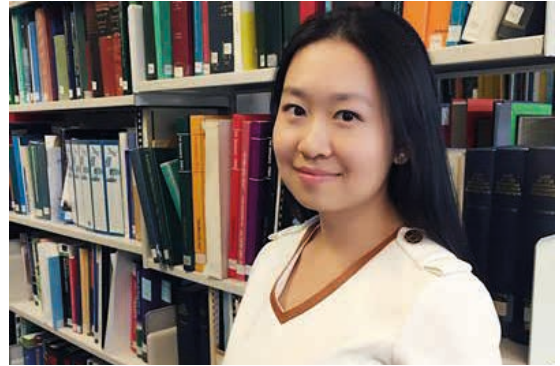
## Dr Viktor Weber

### Research Fellow

Viktor has joined the Institute of Maritime Law in the autumn of 2016. He holds an LLB with European Legal Studies from the University of Southampton and the Université de Rouen, an LLM in Maritime law, and a PhD in European Environmental law both from Southampton. During his doctorate, Viktor has been teaching at undergraduate and postgraduate level.

Over the past year Viktor has been working on various articles. His most recent article, co-authored with Professor Mikis Tsimplis, on the liability aspects of carbon dioxide transport for offshore carbon capture and storage is due to appear in the International Journal of Marine and Coastal Law. Viktor also assisted the members of the Institute for various publications and participated in the Sea Traffic Management Validation project.

Viktor left the IML at the end of September.



## Chenxuan Li

### Senior Research Assistant

Chenxuan joined the IML in September 2015. Her research interest span marine insurance, shipping finance, shipbuilding and ship sale & purchase. She holds a LLB degree in Maritime Law from Shanghai Maritime University (China) and a LLM degree in International Trade and Commercial Law from the University of Durham (University College). Currently, she works on her doctoral thesis, entitled Risk Management in Shipping Finance: A Marine Insurance Perspective, under the supervision of Professor Rob Merkin QC at University of Exeter. This research mainly examines the role of marine insurance in shipping finance. Before starting PhD, Chenxuan gained practical experience with law firm, insurance company and BIMCO via internships.

Over the course of the year, Chenxuan has assisted the Institute's academics by researching a variety of topics ranging from Marine Pollution to Marine Insurance. She has also assisted the Institute's conference "Anglo-Chinese Maritime Law & Practice in Transition" as well as the interdisciplinary workshop "Atmospheric Pollution at Southampton", a synthesis report on the workshop is published on the IML website.





## Robert Veal

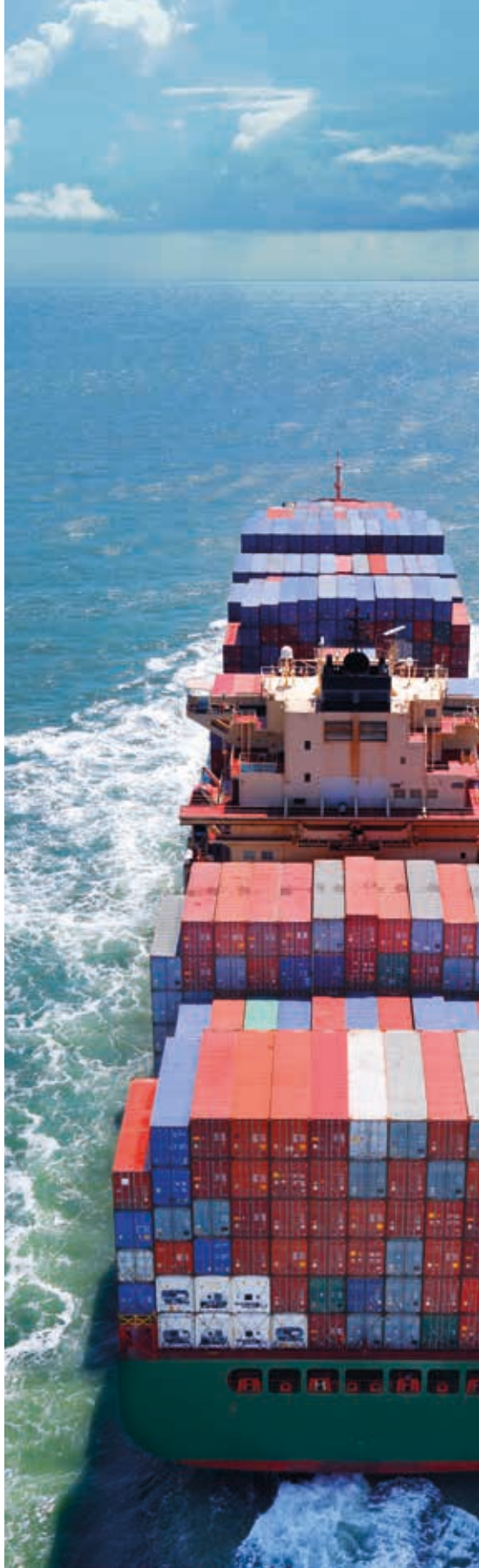
### Senior Research Assistant

Robert joined the Institute in 2014 where he has pursued his research interests in Admiralty Law and general wet shipping. In particular he headed the successful bidding proposal for the IML's EU-funded research on "Liability for Operations in Unmanned Maritime Vehicles".

The project considered the liabilities of operators of unmanned ships under the existing IMO regulatory framework. The final deliverable was accepted by the client in March of this year.

Robert is a member of the Comité Maritime International (CMI)'s Working Group on Maritime Law for Unmanned Craft. In May, he was invited to present his paper "The Navigation of Unmanned Ships and the Collision Regulations" at the CMI's 42nd International Conference in New York. He has continued his work with the CMI and is currently drafting a position paper to be submitted to the IMO. He was invited as a guest speaker to present related papers at the International Union of Marine Insurance (IUMI)'s 2016 Annual Conference in Genoa as well as the International Maritime Claims Conference in Dublin.

Robert also advises the UK Government's Maritime Autonomous Systems Regulatory Working Group (MASRWG). He is currently drafting chapters of a Code of Practice for Operators of Unmanned Surface Vessels, in conjunction with the Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA). He is the author of chapters on ship security regulation and search and rescue.



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