



**THE NINTH ANNUAL MARITIME LAW AND POLICY POSTGRADUATE
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PROGRAMME

08.45 Registration and Tea/Coffee and Welcome, The Northampton Suite, University Building

09.15 **Welcome and Opening Speech**

Professor Jason Chuah, Head of Department, The City Law School

Ms. Shengnan Jia, The City Law School

Session One – Environmental regulation

Chair: Professor Stefano Zunarelli, University of Bologna, Campus of Forli, Italy

09.30 *On Piracy. Or: the Death of the Public-private Law Divide*

(Merel van de Poel, Erasmus University Rotterdam, Netherlands)

09.45 *Responder Immunity For Salvors Providing Environmental Protection Services*

(Huiru Liu, World Maritime University, Sweden)

10.00 *Protection of the Marine Environment*

(Laura Galli, Milan University, Italy)

10.15 Discussion

Session Two – Jurisdiction, Dispute Resolution and Bills of Lading

**Chair: Assistant Professor Dr Julia Constantino Chagas Lessa, Erasmus University of
Rotterdam, Netherlands**

10.30 *Bills of Lading, Prorogation of Jurisdiction and the Italian Case Law*

(Professor Simone Vernizzi, University of Modena and Reggio Emilia, Italy)

10.45 *Agreed Jurisdiction in Chinese Maritime Courts*

(Xuanqi Zhou, City University of Hong Kong, China)

11.00 *The Enforcement of Bill of Lading Arbitration Clauses by Actual Carriers*

(Lijie Song, University of Southampton, UK)

11.15 *The Changing Role of Bargaining Power in Bill of Lading Transactions*

(Dr. Juan A. Salmerón, Erasmus University of Rotterdam, Netherlands)

11.30 Discussion

11.45 TEA BREAK

Session Three – Regulation and Shipping

Chair: Adjunct Professor Dr Avv. Massimiliano Musi, University of Bologna, Campus of Forlì, Italy

12.00 *Maritime Cabotage vs Maritime Competition Law in Brazil; A legal paradox?*

(Dr Julia Constantino Chagas Lessa and Maria Fernanda Madi, Erasmus University of Rotterdam, Netherlands)

12.15 *'Titanic Syndrome': The Cruise Ship Industry's Complacency with Safety*

(Dr Craig Laverick, Northumbria University, UK)

12.30 *Comparative Law: a Fundamental Tool for Maritime Law*

(Matteo Bruno Scannapieco, Università degli Studi di Salerno, Italy)

12.45 *The Legal System of Maritime Safety in Statu Nascendi*

(Dr Justyna Nawrot, University of Gdańsk, Poland)

13.00 Discussion

13.15 LUNCH: Oliver Thomson Foyer

Session Four – Risk Allocation: Insurance and Limitation

Chair: Associate Professor Dr. Johanna Hjalmarsson, University of Southampton, UK

14.00 *Regulating Marine Insurance Contracts after the Insurance Act, 2015: The Case of Risk Control Terms and Contracting Out*

(Livashnee Naidoo, University of Southampton, UK and University of Cape Town, South Africa)

14.15 *The discovery of documents in marine insurance proceedings: are they privileged?*

(Cheng Lin, King's College London, UK)

14.30 *The limitation of liability in offshore contracts and the 1976 Convention on Limitation of Liability for Maritime Claims: advantages and disadvantages*

(Vincenzo Battistella, Autonomous University of Barcelona - UAB, Spain and *Alma Mater Studiorum - Università di Bologna*, Italy)

14.45 Discussion

Session Five – The Human Element

Chair: Associate Professor Dr Wouter Verheyen, Erasmus University of Rotterdam, Netherlands

15.00 *An Insight into a Shipowner's Duty of Care Owed to a Seafarer in Maritime Piracy Cases -- Mitsui & Co Ltd and others v Beteiligungsgesellschaft LPG Tankerflotte MBH & Co KG and another (The Longchamp) [2017] UKSC 68*

(Zoumpoulia (Lia) Amaxilati, University of Southampton, UK)

15.15 *Human Trafficking, Cybercrime and Maritime Transport*

(Dr. Iva Savić, University of Zagreb, Croatia)

15.30 *The Field of Application of the MLC, 2006, A Crucial Matter for Seafarers*

(Barthélemy Martin, Université Paris 1 - Panthéon-Sorbonne, France)

15.45 Discussion

16.00 TEA BREAK

Session Six – Commercial and Contractual Issues

Chair: Associate Professor Dr Liz Lijun Zhao, Middlesex University, UK

16.15 *The Ocean Victory: Whether and to What Extent the Concept of Force Majeure should affect or influence the Charterer's Safe Port Obligation*

(Louisa Nomikos, City, University of London, UK)

16.30 *Whether a clause entitling the owner to future loss after contractual withdrawal of the vessel is a penalty clause?*

(Yifan Wei, University of Southampton, UK)

16.45 *Blockchain-based Bill of Lading*

(Roberto Rovayo, University of Westminster, UK)

17.00 *Contractual Provisions: Justification of Termination of a Shipping Contract in English Law*

(Cecilia Xu Lindsey, Barrister, Arbitrator; 9 Stone Buildings, London)

17.15 Discussion

17.30 **Closing Remark from Ms. Shengnan Jia, The City Law School**

17.45 **Reception: City University Bar**

19.00 **Social Evening:** an optional dinner in a local restaurant – Banana Tree (**Dinner at own expense.**)

