

BARCELONA SUMMER SCHOOL IN MARITIME LAW 2012



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Aims and Objectives

This Summer School will equip those who attend with a detailed insight into issues of current importance in the areas of shipping, land transport and European law. It is designed to provide a major learning resource for lawyers and business people. It will recruit students from Spain and the rest of Europe but also internationally.

The programme is designed to meet the specific needs of professional lawyers who may be seeking to expand their practice in the field of Maritime Law, and also to meet the complementary needs of shipping executives who have to understand the complex legal issues which context their commercial enterprise.

The Teaching Programme

The rationale of the course is that the Law of England and Wales is the legal system which provides the basic reference underpinning all International Shipping Law, and is the universally preferred jurisdiction in respect of maritime disputes.

A full balance of academic, legal and commercial expertise is represented in the composition of teaching team, whose members are drawn from the Law Departments of leading British universities and Law firms which specialise in Maritime, Shipping and Transport Law.

In addition to lecture presentation and seminar discussion, teaching arrangements will include role play. These elements are designed to enable students to apply their course learning immediately in their current professional situations. Students will also receive an hour of individual consultation with the organising tutor to enable discussion of the personal and career applications of the learning programme.

The Learning Atmosphere

The Summer School will offer participants the chance to meet like-minded professionals in a sympathetic but nonetheless demanding academic atmosphere in which valuable professional knowledge will be gained.

English is the language of instruction, but all the teaching units will be supported by detailed notes prepared to assist participants with the seminar work, and with later professional reflection. As acquisition of business English is often accelerated when students can express new concepts equally in their native tongue, it may be possible for the seminar discussion to be held in a language other than English where four or more students request it.

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Social Programme

Barcelona is justifiably famous as a beautiful and lively city. For many people travelling in Europe it is at the top of their "must visit" list! A social element is included in the programme in order to promote the learning objectives of the Summer School, and to take advantage of the stimulating, cultural and social opportunities of Barcelona's historical city centre and the outstanding beauty of places nearby.

TIMETABLE

Time	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10:00	Arrival and Registration	Salvage & LOF	Marine Insurance and P&I	Maritime Economics	London Maritime Arbitration
11:45	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Coffee Break
12:00	Introduction to Common Law	Ship Arrest in practice	Bills of Lading and Hague-Visby Rules	Maritime Economics	Oil Pollution & MARPOL
14:00	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
16:00	Admiralty Law: the theory	Admiralty Law: practical scenario	The Rotterdam Rules	Shipbuilding contracts	Laytime and Demurrage
17:45	Coffee Break	Social event	Coffee Break	Coffee Break	Closing Ceremony
18:00-19:45	Ship Arrest: the theory	Social event	Charter Parties in practice	The Cruise Industry	

The Summer School Team

DIRECTOR Anthony Rogers

Is a former Legal Advisor to several prominent Ship-Broking and Ship-owning companies in the United Kingdom. He is currently Senior Lecturer, the City Law School, The City University, London, where he teaches Maritime Law, and Trade and Commercial Law. He is an Approved International Legal Consultant for the United States International Aid Agency. His special academic interests include Admiralty Practice, and the Law Relating to the Carriage of Goods by Sea. He is a member of the Editorial board of the *Baltic Maritime Law Quarterly*.

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR Miquel Roca

Is qualified to practice Law in both Spain and England and Wales. After several years practicing as a Solicitor in England, he is now based in Spain, where he is the managing partner of Blas de Lezo Abogados, recognized as the “*Spanish Shipping and Maritime Law Firm of the year*”. He is member of the Managing Board of the Spanish Maritime Law Association and publishes regularly in specialized newspapers. He is also the co-author the book “*El Arbitraje Marítimo en Londres*” (London Maritime Arbitration), the first book on the subject ever written in Spanish. He lectures at the Abat Oliba Barcelona University and has been included in the prestigious list of “*The best 50 lawyers in Spain*”.

Professor Christopher Ryan

Is a Barrister and Solicitor (NZ), and Professor of Law at The City Law School of London. Before joining City University in 1989, Christopher Ryan taught at Victoria University, Wellington, New Zealand and at the University of Liverpool. His main interests include the oil pollution of ships and the MARPOL regulation. He is the author of *Company Directors' Liabilities, Rights and Duties* and co-author of *The Law and Practice of Shareholders' Agreements* with Katherine Reece Thomas, Mayson, Ryan and French on *Company Law*, *An Introduction to Criminal Law* with G P Scanlan, and *A Guide to the Financial Services Act 1986* with Wedgwood, Pell & Leigh.

Professor David Glass

Is Law Lecturer at Cardiff University where he teaches International Trade and Finance. He has published widely on these topics and is the coauthor of an 'Introduction to the Law of Carriage of Goods' [Sweet & Maxwell]. He has recently published 'Freight Forwarding' [LLP]. He is a member of the editorial board of the *Baltic Maritime Law Quarterly*.

Dr. A. J. Corres

Dr. Corres is the chairman of the Hellenic Association of Maritime Economists, member of the Board of the Hellenic Short Sea Association, and International Shipping Policy Professor at the Aegean University. Dr. Corres will take care of the maritime economics sessions in the Summer School, sharing its expertise in the field gained with its professional relationship with the Union of Mediterranean Shipowners, Intertanko, the International Union of Maritime Underwriters, the Union of Greek Shipowners and the International Chamber of Shipping.

Invited Lecturers:

Mr. Paco Castanyer, Director of Autochartergin S.A., leading Spanish Shipbroker

Mr. Javier Feal, Inhouse lawyer at Navantia S.A.

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The Course Units

Unit 1: The Common Law of England and Wales

An introduction to the Common Law, and particularly to the doctrine of precedent, which is found in the legal systems of (among others), England and Wales, the USA, Canada, Australia, and much of Africa and Asia. We will also look at some issues of Tort and Contract Law.

Unit 2: Admiralty Law and Practice

We will look at some of the core areas of Maritime Law. There will be a focus upon Admiralty practice, which will include an examination of ship arrest, (including sister ship arrest) and maritime liens. This unit will also develop an understanding of salvage issues.

Unit 3: Freight Forwarding, Logistics and Multimodal Transport

This unit will provide an introduction to the legal issues concerning freight forwarding and logistics operations with particular reference to their legal classification. The types of multimodal transport and the problems that arise in the development of a suitable international liability regime will be examined. International and national efforts to produce a regime and commercial responses will also be discussed as will the possible impact of the work on reforming the law of carriage by sea currently being undertaken by UNCITRAL.

Unit 4: Carriage of Goods by Sea & Cargo Claims

This unit will examine issues surrounding contracts of affreightment, principally time and voyage charterparties and bills of lading. This will include current developments in the Hague/Visby rules and the recent Rotterdam Rules.

Unit 5: Maritime Economics

This part of the Summer School will give consideration to Maritime Economics and all the different markets that form the economic organisation of the Shipping Industry.

Unit 6: The International Law of the Sea

This unit will provide delegates with an opportunity to discuss the issues of oil pollution from ships and, more generally, the shipowner's ability to limit liability. The module will examine the international conventions that regulate these matters. This is an area of great practical importance to shipowners and charters alike.

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Unit 7: Marine Insurance

We will examine how the insurance market operates in the industry and which is the current status of the law regarding shipping risk cover and that related to Protection and Indemnity Clubs.

Unit 8: London Maritime Arbitration

Most maritime disputes are dealt with in London, under English law, and by use of Arbitration. It is a must unit for all those involved in the shipping disputes resolution. We will look at general arbitration concepts and focus on maritime arbitration and the Rules of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association, and other institutional arbitration rules, such as the LCIA or the ICC.

Unit 9: Shipbuilding Contracts

This year the largest shipbuilding company in Spain, Navantia, will join the us at the Summer School to tell us all about the practical aspects of shipbuilding contracts. Mr. Javier Feal is the inhouse lawyer of the shipyard and will share with us a fantastic practical session on the subject.

Student Learning outcomes

By the conclusion of the Summer School delegates will:

1. Have gained practical knowledge of several expanding and potentially lucrative areas of Maritime and Commercial Law.
2. Be able to identify complex legal issues that arise in commercial situations.
3. Be able to analyse these problems, and provide suitable solutions.
4. Have gained confidence in arguing their cases and in defending the positions that they have taken.
5. Be able to research the answers to legal problems that they will face in the future.

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CERTIFICATE

All those who successfully complete the programme will be awarded a Certificate of Achievement issued by the City Law School, The City University, London.

The City Law School is one of the few universities in the world to offer a dedicated LLM in Maritime Law. This degree is taught by leading academics with commercial experience also offering a strong input by current practitioners both from England and abroad. The location of the Law School in the City of London itself means that it is very convenient for the City institutions and the Royal Courts of Justice and the wider cultural and social experience that London has to offer.

The Abat Oliba CEU University is a leading university in Spain, the first law school in Barcelona. The University academic programme is built upon a solid foundation between the community of its students and the academic staff and the excellence of the goals to be achieved by all students. The University offers to all its students a very close connection with the leading companies and law firms in Europe, and it is the perfect host for all those students coming from abroad to one of the most vibrant and lively cities in the world.

Language requirements

As noted, the course will be conducted through the medium of the English language. Students will however be encouraged to work in small groups, and these may be conducted in other languages by the agreement of the participants.

Because of the technical nature of the subject matter of the Summer School it is advisable that participants should feel comfortable in working in English, we therefore suggest (as a gauge of competency) that they should have achieved a standard of understanding equivalent to approximately 6.0 in the IELTS test of English or 550 in the alternative TOEFL test.

Venue

The course takes place at the Abat Oliba Barcelona University, c/ Bellesguard 30, Barcelona. Details of its exact location can be found at www.uao.es or in the following Google Maps' link: <http://g.co/maps/b3yfd>

Enquiries and Application Form

Enquiries about the course may be sent by e-mail to the Deputy Director: mroca@bdlezo.com

Sent him also an e-mail to get the Application Form or visit www.derechomaritimo.info where you will find it ready to be filled in, and don't miss this great chance. Spaces are limited, so please be quick in booking your space!

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