



International Foundation for the Law of the Sea

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*Ladies and Gentlemen,
dear Friends,*

Time flies - sometimes we feel that the Summer Academy Class of 2008 has just left the Villa and now it is March again and the preparations for the Third Summer Academy are in full swing while the Maritime Talks are only a month away and the Autumn Symposium is taking shape as well. So it is about time for some News.

Maritime Talks 2009

Our sixth Maritime Talks at the International Tribunal of the Law of the Sea in Hamburg will take place on **24 April 2009**, covering the subject **Piracy - scourge of humanity**. We think that we have once again assembled a quite impressive panel of speakers to discuss this hot topic. For more details please have a look at the flyer including the registration form here.

In the light of recent events off the coast of Somalia (capture of 9 piracy suspects by the German frigate "Rheinland-Pfalz" and their subsequent handover to Kenyan authorities) we are pleased to have a further person on the panel, namely Dr. Ewald Brandt, Chief Senior Prosecutor & Head of Public Prosecutor's Office Hamburg, who led legal proceedings around this incident in Hamburg and will share his insights.

The registration fee is 50,- (25,- for students, PhD students and trainee lawyers and for members of the IFLOS Circle of Friends). Registrations are still welcome; please inform potentially interested friends and colleagues about this event.

Summer Academy 2009

For the third time, the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea will open its gates for some 30 younger graduates from around the world to attend our annual Summer Academy from 26 July to 23 August 2009 held at the Villa Schröder on the inspiring premises of the Tribunal.

The application period has just opened and will last until 15 May, 2009. As usual, we would be very grateful if you would point suitable candidates towards this unique chance to spend 4 weeks of intensive training in Law of the Sea and Maritime Law and encourage them to apply at our website.

The schedule as it stands today is available now and we are pleased that most of the distinguished lecturers, amongst them many veterans of 2007 and 2008, have already agreed to come to Hamburg this Summer and join the faculty.

Symposium 2009

The Foundation's annual symposium at the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea is scheduled for 26 September 2009 with the working title International Preservation of Fish Stocks and Measures against IUU-Fishing.

IFLOS Homepage

If you have not visited our website recently, it might be worthwhile to surf to it now. It recently underwent some changes such as pages in French and entirely refurbished pages about the Summer Academy with loads of material and photos - enjoy browsing.

IFLOS Circle of Friends

In order to support our work and to form a kind of companionship of friends and supporters, we would like to invite you to join our "Community", which might be defined as Circle of Friends and Supporters of IFLOS.

Members of the "Circle of Friends" of IFLOS will benefit from a 50% discount on the registration fee for all IFLOS events, they will receive the regular newsletter and each year some material from the Summer Academy in a limited edition CD-R.

The membership fee is 100,- p.a. for individual persons and 500,- p.a. for companies, law firms, institutions etc. If you would like to join the IFLOS Circle of Friends, please just fill out the application form.