



*International
Foundation for the
Law of the Sea*

RESOLUTION OF HAMBURG 2010

The participants of the 4th Session of the Summer Academy,

Having assembled in the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, at the seat of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, from the 25th of July to the 21st of August 2010;

Having had the privilege of participating in the said Program devoted to the “*Uses and Protection of the Sea – Legal, Economic and Natural Science Perspectives*”;

Acknowledging the level of excellence of the previous Sessions and participants which have contributed to the prestige of the IFLOS Summer Academies;

Bearing in mind the statements and recommendations expressed by the classes of 2007, 2008 and 2009 in the corresponding Resolutions;

Desiring to contribute to the enrichment and strengthening of the IFLOS Summer Academy, its noble principles and purposes, with particular reference to the principles of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea; as it is expressed in Article 2 of the Statutes of the Foundation;

Recognising the oceans as essential to human existence and residing at the heart of world transport connecting members of the international community via trade, tourism and communication;

Reiterating our support for the creation of the IFLOS Alumni Association suggested by our predecessors as an interactive means of conveying the interest of students and lecturers and in order to create a professional and academic network in these matters;

Applauding the Summer Academy curriculum as being varied and balanced in regards to the law of the sea and shipping law, and for its integration of lectures, workshops, challenging discussions and moot court oral argument;

Recognising the complementary duties of the IFLOS and the ITLOS and acknowledging the significance of contributions made by employees of the ITLOS to the Summer Academy course;

Welcoming the gender balance and geographical representation of lecturers and participants;

Bearing in mind the recommendations suggested by the participants of the Summer Academy regarding the Schedule and other activities related to academic and social affairs;

Noting the importance of online materials to the Summer Academy as well as the provision of lecture materials as being invaluable to the furtherance of participants' research and professional engagements beyond IFLOS Summer Academy;

RESOLVE TO:

1. *Express* our deep gratitude to the IFLOS, its staff and volunteers, for the successful organisation of the 4th Summer Academy and also to the lecturers of the programme for sharing their knowledge and expertise;
2. *Convey* our thanks to the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg (Freie und Hansestadt Hamburg) and the ITLOS for hosting the 4th Summer Academy and for the provision of their facilities;
3. *Extend* our gratitude to the sponsors of the Summer Academy including: Edmund Siemers-Stiftung, the Federal Foreign Office (Auswärtiges Amt), Ince & Co. International Law Firm, Lebuhn & Puchta Rechtsanwälte, the Nippon Foundation, and ZEIT-Stiftung, for their material and financial support;
4. *Extend moreover* our appreciation to the Hamburg Port Authority, Bucerius Law School, Ince & Co. International Law Firm, J. J. Sietas KG, Marine Training Centre Hamburg, and the Max-Planck-Institute for the provision of their facilities in visits;
5. *Express* our deep concern over the misuse of the oceans as a channel to commit violent crimes such as piracy, robbery and terrorism at sea and hereby call upon all members of the international community and the ITLOS to cooperate in the strengthening of measures against such reprehensible crimes;
6. *Call upon* the IFLOS to establish the IFLOS Alumni Association and support the continued participation of the Alumni Association in international *fora* concerning law of the sea matters;
7. *Request* that the IFLOS and the ITLOS maintain their established relationship and promote the continued and further involvement of ITLOS employees in the Summer Academy in future years;
8. *Call upon* the ITLOS to promote a broader gender balance and geographical representation of lecturers and participants;
9. *Call upon* the IFLOS to continue to provide for extra-curricular activities, social events and a balance between classes and revision time in the Summer Academy schedule;

10. *Undertake* as friends and colleagues to share the knowledge we have gained at the Summer Academy within and between our respective countries and to remain committed to applying the law of the sea in a manner which furthers the peaceful use of the world's oceans and the effective protection of the marine environment.

Done in Hamburg in two originals, French and English, this 19th August 2010. Both texts are equally authentic.