



*International
Foundation for the
Law of the Sea*

Hamburg Resolution

The Participants at the First Summer Academy of the International Foundation for the Law of the Sea,

Having assembled in the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg, at the seat of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, from 29 July to 26 August 2007,

Having had the honour and privilege to participate in the First Summer Academy on the topic of “Uses and Protection of the Sea – Legal, Economic and Natural Science Perspectives”, with a particular focus on the important issue of global concern of “climate change and the oceans”,

Recognizing the importance of the multidisciplinary nature of the programme, and the high level and quality of the lectures and ensuing discussions,

Recognizing also the importance of a balanced curriculum built upon lectures and practical activities, including excursions, as appropriate,

Welcoming the broad geographic and gender-balanced representation of participants and their varied background and expertise,

Welcoming also the exposure to and resulting enhanced understanding of a broad range of topics related to the law of the sea, maritime law and ocean affairs as a result of the Summer Academy, as well as the opportunity to interact and network with each other and practitioners,

Emphasizing the benefits of getting further acquainted with the working procedures of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea, and, in that respect, appreciative of the opportunity to attend the reading of the Judgments in the *Tomimaru* and *Hoshinmaru* cases and engage in discussions with President Wolfrum and other Judges of the Tribunal during the programme,

Noting the important contribution of the Academy to global efforts related to capacity-building in the field of ocean affairs and the law of the sea,

Mindful of the official languages of the United Nations and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea,



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1. *Express with appreciation* their gratitude to the International Foundation for the Law of the Sea and its staff and volunteers for the organization and convening of the Summer Academy,
2. *Extend their appreciation* to the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg and the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea for hosting the First Summer Academy and to the partners and sponsors of the First Summer Academy, in particular the Edmund Siemers-Stiftung, the Korea International Cooperation Agency, the Lighthouse Foundation for the Seas and Oceans, Zeit-Stiftung Ebelin und Gerd Bucerius, Leonhardt & Blumberg, the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg and the Federal Ministry of Justice,
3. *Extend further* their appreciation to the lecturers of the First Summer Academy,
4. *Encourage* the International Foundation for the Law of the Sea to organize and convene future sessions of the Summer Academy and, in doing so, to maintain its multidisciplinary character and varied, high level of expertise and background among participants and lecturers,
5. *Encourage also* the International Foundation for the Law of the Sea to further develop a framework for the programme built upon core subjects of the law of the sea, maritime law and ocean affairs, complemented by lectures on emerging topics, and, in doing so, to promote a balance among all relevant aspects, including scientific, technical, environmental, socio-economic and legal issues,
6. *Call upon* the International Foundation for the Law of the Sea to consider ways and means to promote improved multilingualism among lecturers, in particular with a view to improving the ability of non-native English speakers to participate fully in the discussions,
7. *Invite* the International Foundation for the Law of the Sea to consider the possibility of a broader geographic and gender-balanced representation of lecturers,
8. *Invite also* the Judges and staff of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea to continue contributing their knowledge and experience to the Summer Academy with a view to further enriching the practical aspects of the programme,
9. *Decide* to further promote the common understanding of matters relating to the law of the sea, maritime law and ocean affairs and the continuing communication amongst participants of the Summer Academy by establishing an IFLOS Academy alumni association.

Done at Hamburg, this 24 August 2007