

**MOTIVATION FOR THE
CONFERMENT OF THE IMO INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW INSTITUTE
AWARD FOR MERITORIOUS CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS
THE PROGRESSIVE DEVELOPMENT AND CODIFICATION
OF INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW**

on

The Comité Maritime International

WHEREAS THE IMO INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW INSTITUTE RECOGNIZES

The merits of

The Comité Maritime International

Which, formally established in 1897, is the oldest international organization dedicated to the unification of maritime law;

Which is composed of National Maritime Law Associations from around the world whose membership includes highly qualified persons involved in maritime activities and specialists in maritime law, thereby ensuring the representation of the principal legal systems of the world;

Which was created with the object of contributing by all appropriate means and activities to the harmonization and unification of maritime law in all its aspects;

Which, through numerous model laws, rules, guidelines and draft conventions, has spearheaded the process of harmonization of many aspects of maritime law;

Which thereby contributed directly and in a meaningful manner towards the progressive development and codification of international maritime law;

THE IMO INTERNATIONAL MARITIME LAW INSTITUTE ACCLAIMS

The Comité Maritime International

A most deserving candidate for the Award for Meritorious Contribution towards the Progressive Development and Codification of International Maritime Law.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the powers vested by the Statute under which the IMO International Maritime Law Institute is established, the said Award is being conferred on

The Comité Maritime International

On this 5 day of May of the year two thousand and twelve

Professor David J. Attard
Director