

COMITÉ MARITIME INTERNATIONAL

PRESIDENT

To the Presidents of all national Maritime Law Associations

Cc: Titulary Members

Oslo, 14 July 2012

Dear President,

The Future of the CMI in the Decades to Come will be one of the main topics at the CMI Conference in China from 14 to 19 October this year, see www.cmi2012beijing.org. As you will note from the Programme, the morning of Friday 19 October, from 9 – 10.30, is devoted to a panel discussion between the Executive Council and the CMI membership. This will be preceded by a meeting in the afternoon of Thursday 18 October between the Executive Council and the Presidents (or their nominees) of the national Maritime Law Associations, where I expect that the future of CMI will also be discussed.

In order to assist the delegates in their consideration of the topic, Stuart Hetherington, one of the two Vice-Presidents of CMI, has prepared the enclosed discussion paper, which I kindly ask you to distribute to the members of your association, including of course those who plan to attend the Conference in Beijing. Whether or not your association will be represented there, which I sincerely hope that it will, any input from the association beforehand will be most welcome and likely to be of value for the discussion.

Best regards