



CMI MONTREAL COLLOQUIUM 2023
LE CENTRE SHERATON MONTREAL HOTEL
14 to 16 June 2023

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

DATE AND TIME	EVENT, VENUE AND NOTES
Tuesday 13 June 2023 09:00 - 12:30	Meeting of the CMI Executive Council Venue: Conference room courtesy of Langlois, Avocats – Lawyers, 1250 René-Lévesque Blvd West, 20 th Floor, Montreal QC H3B 4 WB <i>For CMI EXCO members only</i>
Tuesday 13 June 2023 12:30 – 13:30	EXCO lunch <i>For CMI EXCO members only</i>
Tuesday 13 June 2023 13:30 - 17:30	Meeting of the CMI Executive Council Venue: Conference room courtesy of Langlois, Avocats – Lawyers, 1250 René-Lévesque Blvd West, 20 th Floor, Montreal QC H3B 4 WB <i>For CMI EXCO members only</i>
Tuesday 13 June 2023 19:00-21:00	EXCO full dinner <i>Dinner for CMI EXCO members only, their spouses and special guests, hosted by CMI</i>

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Wednesday 14 June 2023 08:00 – 17:30	Delegate registration Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel <i>All delegates</i> <i>Delegate registration will continue to be open until 1730</i>
Wednesday 14 June 2023 09:00 – 17:30	IWG and SC meetings <i>IWGs and SCs will be holding their meetings in the conference rooms of various Montreal law firms. Attendees will be notified of the meeting venue. Some IWG meetings, including MASS, Cyber Security and Marine Insurance, will be open meetings. Details to follow shortly.</i>
Wednesday 14 June 2023 18:30 - 20:30	Welcome Reception Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel <i>Dress code: Business attire (delegates) or smart casual (guests)</i>

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Thursday 15 June 2023 08:00-17:30	Delegate registration Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Foyer, Level 4	
Thursday 15 June 2023 08:45 - 10:00	Opening of the Colloquium Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Ballroom (Level 4) Welcome speeches by Dr. Ann Fenech, President of the Comité Maritime International, and Mr. Paul Harquail, Canadian Maritime Law Association, followed by Speech by the Honourable Omar Alghabra, Minister of Transportation, Canada followed by Berlingieri Lecture by the Honourable Sean J. Harrington, former judge, Federal Court of Canada	
Thursday 15 June 2023 10:00 - 10:30	Coffee Break Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Foyer, Level 4	
Thursday 15 June 2023 10:30 - 11:30	CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL EFFECTS OF JUDICIAL SALES OF SHIPS AND ITS RATIFICATION Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel Session description: By popular demand, the speakers will deal with different aspects of this Convention. Focus will be placed on the efforts which need to be made to encourage member states to ratify this important convention and the role of the CMI in assisting with the ratification process.	CLIMATE CHANGE – IMPACT ON PORTS AND INLAND WATERWAYS Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel Session description: The panel will discuss how climate change will impact operations at ports and inland waterways, including short term weather events and long-term changes in water levels. The panel will explore the legal issues that arise from climate change disruptions and consequent breaches of contracts and obligations

<p>Thursday 15 June 2023 11:30 - 12:30</p>	<p>CONVENTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL EFFECTS OF JUDICIAL SALES OF SHIPS AND ITS RATIFICATION (continued)</p>	<p>PROMOTING AND ENFORCING ETHICS AND DIVERSITY IN THE MARITIME LEGAL COMMUNITY</p> <p>Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel</p> <p>Session description: The panel will discuss how firms can promote and enforce ethics, diversity and inclusion in their maritime law practice. The discussion will include how to prioritize ethics, diversity and inclusion at the senior management level and discuss initiatives in leadership and staff meetings. Setting and implementing goals for communication, hiring, training, enforcement and termination will be outlined. The panel will discuss the benefits and obstacles in implementing modern policies</p>
<p>Thursday 15 June 2023 12:30 - 14:00</p>	<p>Lunch Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Level 4</p>	

<p>Thursday 15 June 2023 14:00 – 15:30</p>	<p>MARITIME AUTONOMOUS SURFACE SHIPS (MASS) - THE FUTURE REGULATION OF UNMANNED SHIPPING - WHERE WE ARE AND WHERE WE ARE GOING</p> <p>Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel</p> <p>Session description: The CMI international working group on MASS has been working on the possible approaches to the regulation of MASS in conjunction with both the IMO Legal Committee and the Maritime Safety Committee. This session will update participants on the current position</p>	<p>MOBILE OFFSHORE RENEWABLES UNITS: EXAMINING THE NEED FOR UNIFICATION OF MARITIME LAW</p> <p>Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel</p> <p>Session description: Around the world, states are producing electrical power in their territorial seas from a variety of offshore renewable energy resources. From traditional wind turbine generators mounted on fixed-bottom foundations, newer and more advantageous technology is beginning to emerge in the form of non-fixed, floating offshore renewable energy technologies. These floating technologies generate electrical power not only from the wind, but also waves, tides, the sun and differences in ocean water temperatures – mobile offshore renewables units (MORUs). They could produce power directly or produce power for more traditional oil and gas producing installations. Because of their mobility and adaptability to a variety of conditions MORUs possess a number of potential territorial, technological, economic advantages over fixed-bottom and onshore renewable energy technologies and are set to grow in number. What is the legal nature of MORUs and does their internationally mobile characteristic suggest that they should be treated more as ships or watercraft than as installations? Might there be a need for unification of law in this respect? Join us as we explore the new frontiers of maritime law.</p>
<p>Thursday 15 June 2023 15:30 - 16:00</p>	<p>Coffee Break Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Foyer, Level 4</p>	

<p>Thursday 15 June 2023 16:00 – 17:30</p>	<p>YOUNG CMI SESSION: ARCTIC SHIPPING</p> <p>Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel</p> <p>Session description: The panel will discuss operational and legal issues for shipping in the Arctic regions. The panel will review the current risks of Arctic shipping focused on extreme weather conditions, the lack of infrastructure in the coastal regions of the main arctic routes, and the increased risk of human error due to inexperienced crews under unconventional conditions. Environmental policies in the Polar Code will be considered</p>	<p>HARMONISING THE APPLICATION OF LIMITATION OF LIABILITY CONVENTIONS</p> <p>Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel</p> <p>Session description: Through implementation of limitation of liability conventions, many countries recognise a shipowner's right to limit liability for certain maritime claims. These rights are available except in situations where a prescribed type of fault or culpability on the part of the shipowner can be shown by the claimant. However, limitation conventions and, in particular, the prescribed fault necessary to break limitation of liability have not been uniformly interpreted by courts around the world; as some recent high-profile cases have shown. These cases in turn raise serious questions over limitation of liability conventions as a reliable factor in the planning of shipowners' business and threaten the efficiency of providing transportation services. This session will explore the work undertaken at the IMO to develop and agree a Unified Interpretation (UI) of the test for breaking shipowners' right to limit liability (the background to that work, the process involved in developing such a UI and the agreement that was ultimately reached). Speakers include a number of persons who were involved in this work and who represent the shipowning, P&I and legal industries at the IMO.</p>
<p>Thursday 15 June 2023 17:30 - 18:30</p>	<p>Break</p>	
<p>Thursday 15 June 2023 18:30 - 21:30</p>	<p>Gala Dinner Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel <i>Dress code: Lounge/business suits for men, Cocktail/evening dress for ladies</i></p>	
<p>Thursday 15 June 2023 21:30 – 23:59</p>	<p>Afterparty Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel <i>There will be a live rock band performance by maritime lawyer band "Seven Seas"</i></p>	

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Friday 16 June 2023 08:00 - 09:00	Maritime law association Presidents' breakfast Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel <i>This closed breakfast event is hosted by the President of the CMI for the presidents of all maritime law associations (or their designated representatives)</i>	
Friday 16 June 2023 09:00 – 10:30	THE CMI LEX MARITIMA PROJECT - LATEST DRAFT AND FURTHER PLANNING Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel Session description: The session will introduce delegates to the latest working group draft of the 25 fundamental principles of maritime law	CYBER THREAT IN THE MARITIME SECTOR - A STORM ON THE HORIZON Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel Session description: Cyber threat has increased globally since the invasion of Ukraine. The increasing reliance on technology, increased digitisation and automation have created a significant threat matrix for those intent on disrupting global trade whether, politically, environmentally or terrorist based. The CMI working group on cybercrime will discuss how the threat is real and developing and investigate real solutions and the need to revisit legislation and regulation best to protect our sector. Speakers will include those on the front line in combatting cybercrime and cyber terrorist threat
Friday 16 June 2023 10:30 - 11:00	Coffee Break Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Foyer, Level 4	

<p>Friday 16 June 2023 11:00 – 12:30</p>	<p>THE COLLISION CONVENTION 1910: IS CMI'S OLDEST CONVENTION IN NEED OF MODERNIZATION?</p> <p>Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel</p> <p>Session description: The 1910 Collision Convention was CMI's first international convention. The results of a recent CMI questionnaire on the need for revising the 1910 Convention will be presented and a full discussion will be held on the expediency of modernization.</p>	<p>THE MASTER: AN ENDANGERED SPECIES? RESPONSIBILITIES AND LIABILITIES IN TODAY'S CLIMATE</p> <p>Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel</p> <p>Session description: Since the days of old, the Master has played a pivotal role in shipping practice and maritime law. Once a figure of great authority, the focus has shifted and the Master has now become a figure of great liabilities, including criminal liability. With the advent of autonomous vessels, the focus is shifting again, and the Master seems to be in danger of disappearing altogether.</p>
<p>Friday 16 June 2023 12:30 - 14:00</p>	<p>Lunch Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Foyer, Level 4</p>	
<p>Friday 16 June 2023 13:00 – 16:30</p>	<p>CMI Assembly Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Ballroom, Level 4</p>	
<p>Friday 16 June 2023 16:30 - 17:00</p>	<p>2nd CMI EXCO meeting Venue: Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel, Salon 8, Level 4 <i>For CMI EXCO members only</i></p>	
<p>Friday 16 June 2023 18:30 - 20:30</p>	<p>Farewell Reception Venue: venue to be determined, possibly outside conference hotel venue <i>Dress code: Business attire (delegates) or smart casual (guests)</i></p>	

The Organising Committee is putting together a programme for accompanying persons, including a walking tour of old Montreal and other activities