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SHIPPING LAW:
CLOSURE OF THE STRAIT OF HORMUZ

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09:00AM TO 12:00PM UTC



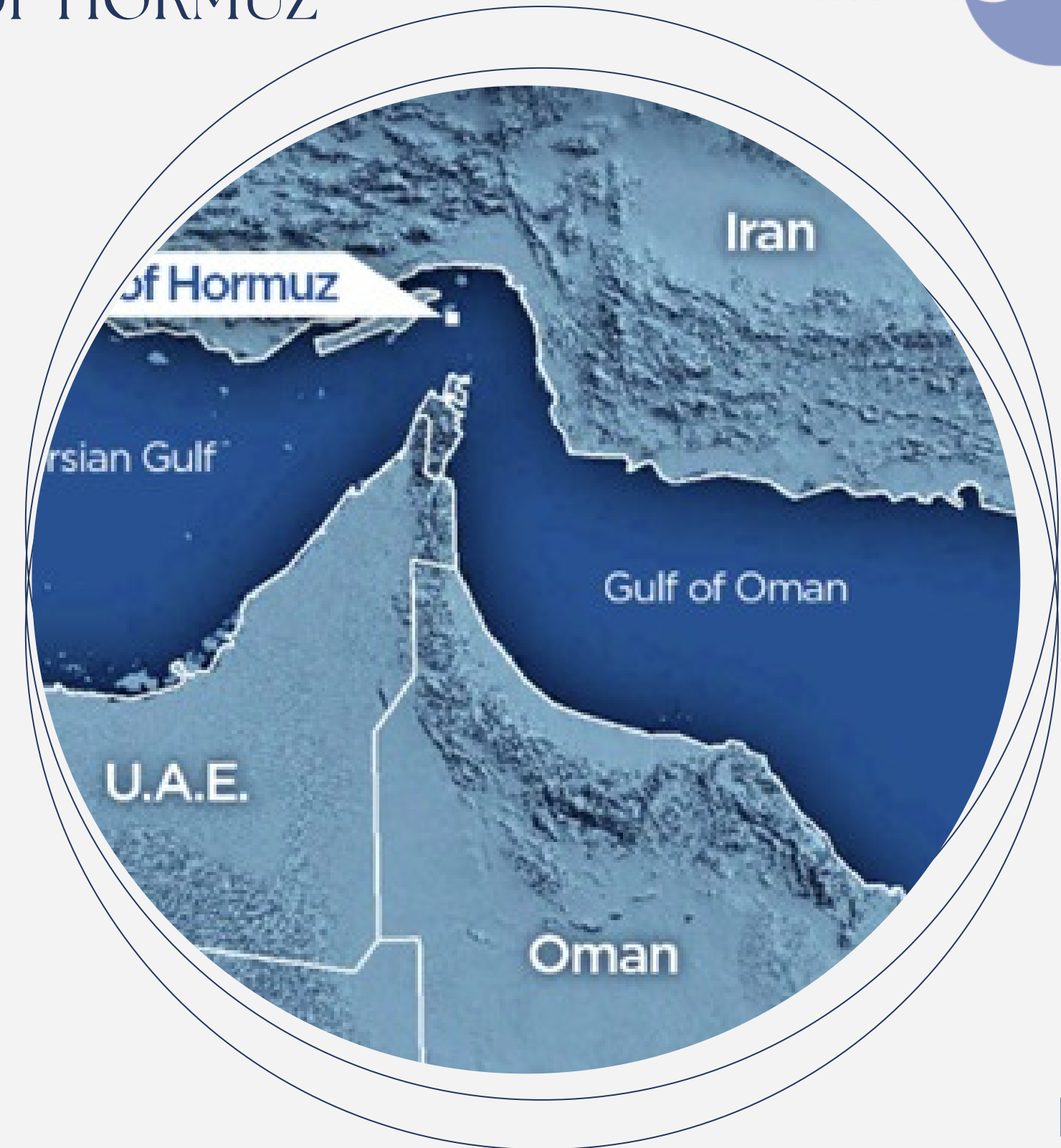
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This two-day intensive executive course examines the legal and commercial implications of a closure of the Strait of Hormuz for the global energy trade. Participants will explore how charterparties, transport agreements, and bills of lading allocate risk during geopolitical disruption, including war risk clauses, force majeure, deviation, and safe port warranties. The course also analyses remedies for delay, demurrage, liquidated damages, and contract termination. Through case studies and practical exercises based on recent English court decisions, participants will develop strategies for managing contractual risk and resolving disputes arising from major disruptions to maritime trade.



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Day 01

Contractual Framework and Allocation of Risk

Focus: How contractual and legal rules govern compensation, termination, and limits on recovery .

War Risk Clauses in Time and Voyage
Charterparties

Bunker Price Adjustment/Escalation Clauses

Force Majeure Clauses in Charterparties and
Transport Service Agreements in the Energy Sector

Safe Port Warranties and Nomination of
Alternative Ports

Deviation Clauses in Bills of Lading and
Charterparties

Practical Work: Incorporation of War Risk Clauses from a Charterparty into a Bill of Lading and
Lessons from the Supreme Court's judgment in The MT Polar [2024] UKSC 2

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Day 02

Remedies for Breach of Contract and Dispute Resolution

Focus: Understanding the bill of lading's dual role as evidence and document of title.

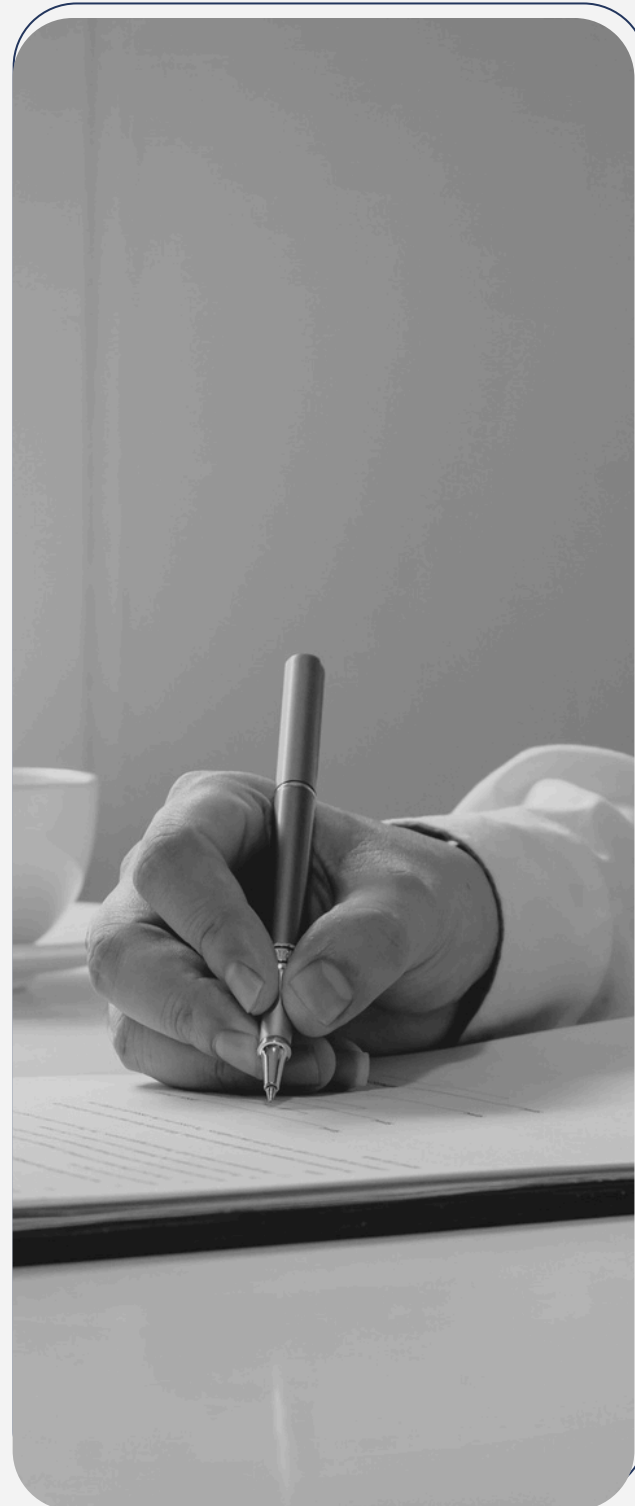
Demurrage and Damages for Detention in Charterparties

Termination for Breach vs Frustration of Contracts

Liquidated Damages for Delay in the Energy Sector

Restrictions on Recovering Damages: Mitigation and Remoteness of Loss

Practical Work: Lessons from The Skyros and The Agios Minas [2025] EWCA Civ 1529 and hypothetical scenario involving delay under BIMCO Heavycon 2007 form



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Learning Outcome

By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Assess contractual risk allocation in charterparties, bills of lading, and transport service agreements when geopolitical events disrupt maritime trade.
- Interpret and apply key contractual clauses, including war risk, force majeure, deviation, bunker escalation, and safe port warranties.

- Evaluate legal remedies for delay and disruption, including demurrage, damages for detention, liquidated damages, and termination or frustration of contracts.
- Apply recent English case law to practical scenarios in order to manage disputes and mitigate losses arising from disruptions to shipping routes such as the Strait of Hormuz.

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Our Training Strategy

is based on personalised learning, where we aim to develop the competence of every delegate by actively engaging them in the course.

EMG Associates' Presenter:

Dr Filip Saranovic is an Associate Professor in Shipping Law at the Centre for Commercial Law Studies, Queen Mary University of London with 15 years of teaching experience. He is the Director of the Insurance, Shipping and Aviation Law Institute (ISALI). Filip's teaching and research covers both wet and dry shipping as well as the conflict of laws / enforcement of maritime claims. He was recently a Visiting Associate Professor at the National University of Singapore (NUS)'s Centre for Maritime Law in September 2025. Filip's book entitled 'Freezing Injunctions in Private International Law' was published by Cambridge University Press in October 2022. The book is based on his doctoral thesis completed at the University of Cambridge where he also completed his Master of Laws (LLM) in Commercial Law. Part of the research for the book was conducted at Harvard Law School. Filip is an Ordinary Member of the European Association of Private International Law. He was a judicial marshal in London's High Court, shadowing the work of Dame Elizabeth Gloster when she was the judge in charge of the Commercial Court in London.






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