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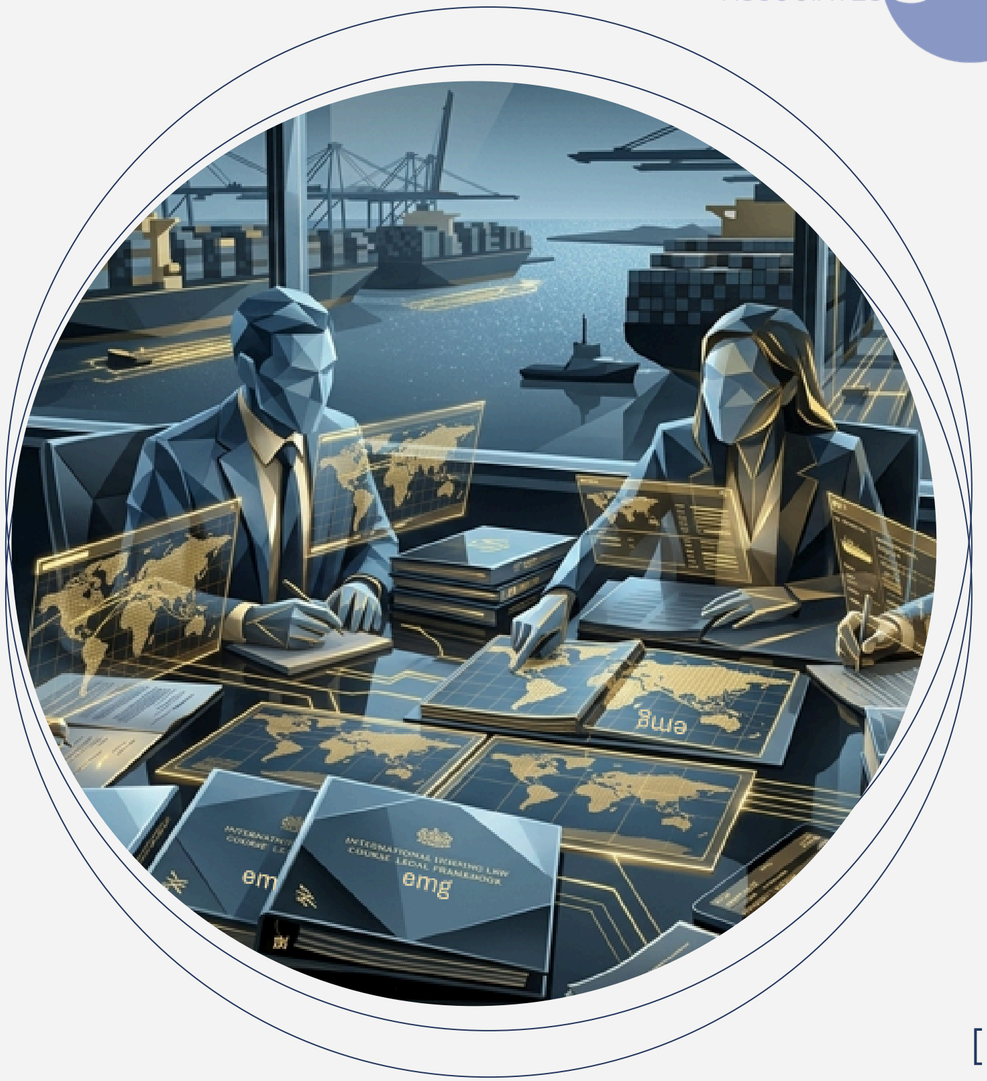
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This five-day course provides a practical introduction to the legal framework governing international shipping contracts and the carriage of goods by sea. Participants will examine the formation and structure of charterparties, including time, voyage and contracts of affreightment, and explore the key contractual terms that allocate commercial risk in maritime trade. The programme also covers the functions of bills of lading, their relationship with charterparties, and the application of international conventions such as the Hague and Hague-Visby Rules. Further sessions analyse breach of contract, termination rights, damages, and the allocation of delay-related risks through mechanisms such as laytime, demurrage, force majeure and frustration. The final part of the course focuses on dispute resolution in shipping contracts, including arbitration under the London Maritime Arbitrators Association (LMAA) and jurisdiction clauses. Practical case studies based on recent English court decisions and standard form contracts ensure participants gain commercially relevant, real-world insights.



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## Day 01

## Charterparties and their Role in Carriage of Goods by Sea

Focus: How international shipping contracts are formed and structured..

- Formation of Shipping Contracts and Fixture Recap Emails
- Contracts of Affreightment
- Time and Voyage Charterparties
- Essential Contractual Terms in Charterparties

Practical Work: **Choosing the Most Appropriate Standard Form Charterparty Contract – GENCON 2022 vs GENCOA.**



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## Day 02

### Bills of Lading and their Relationship with Charterparties: Functions and Terms of the Contract

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

- Function of the Bill of Lading as an Evidential Tool and a Document of Title
- Bills of Lading Issued under a Charterparty
- International Conventions and the Liability of Carriers: Hague and Hague-Visby Rules
- Incorporation of Terms from a Charterparty into a Bill of Lading

Practical Work: Case Study on Misdelivery Claims based on the English Court of Appeal decision in Unicredit Bank A.G. v Euronav N.V [2023] EWCA Civ 471.



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# Day 03

## Termination for Breach of Contract and Claims for Damages

Focus: Understanding how contractual terms in shipping contracts are classified.

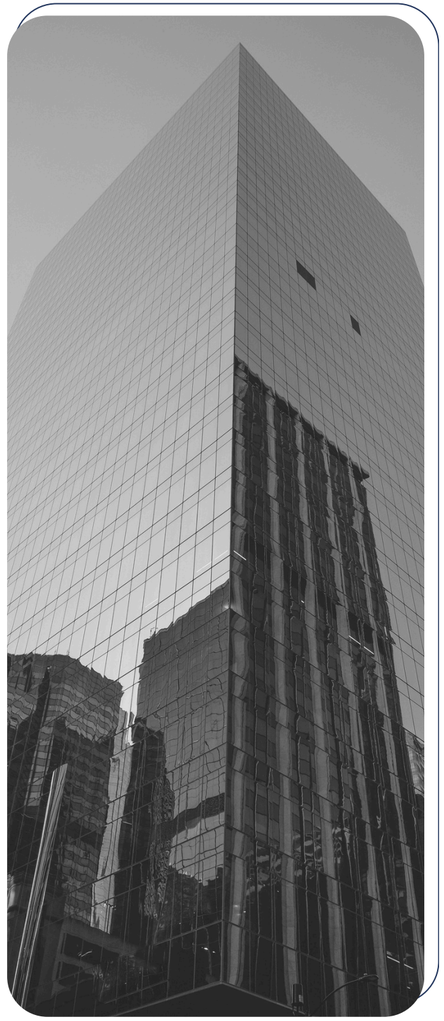
- Categorisation of Contractual Terms in Shipping Contracts
- Restrictions on Recovery of Damages: Rules on Mitigation, Causation and Remoteness of Loss
- Repudiatory Breach and the Election to Accept / Terminate or Affirm the Contract
- Express Cancellation Clauses and Early Termination

Practical Work: Case Study on Termination for Late Delivery of a Vessel under BIMCO Supplytime 2017 standard form charterparty



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## Day 04

## Allocation of Risk of Delay in Shipping Contracts

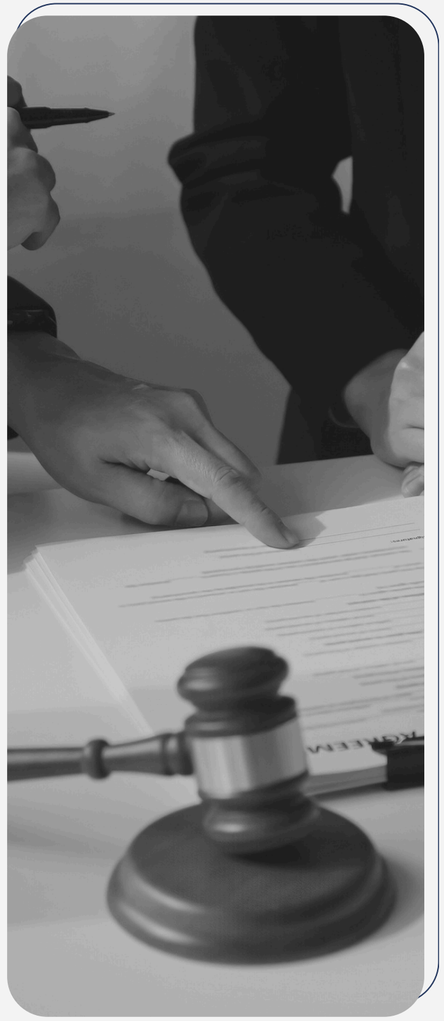
Focus: Examining performance obligations like speed and fuel warranties.

- Speed and Consumption Warranties in Time Charterparties
- Frustration of Contracts
- Laytime and Demurrage in Voyage Charterparties
- Force Majeure Clauses

Practical Work: Case Study on the Impact of the Closure of the Strait of Hormuz on Charterparties with reference to BIMCO HEAVYCON 2007 standard form contract for project cargo.



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# Day 05

## Dispute Resolution Clauses in Shipping Contracts

Focus: How jurisdiction, arbitration, and governing law clauses shape dispute resolution in shipping contracts.

- Exclusive Jurisdiction Agreements (Choice of Court Clauses)
- Governing Law Clauses in Charterparty and Bill of Lading Contracts
- Arbitration Agreements and the Role of the London Maritime Arbitrators Association (LMAA)
- Remedies for Breach of Dispute Resolution Clauses

Practical Work: Parallel Proceedings in England and the Cargo Receiver's Jurisdiction: MSC Mediterranean Shipping Company SA v Interglobal Technologies Ltd [2025] EWHC 1464 (Comm).

# Learning Outcome

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

- Understand the key types of shipping contracts, including time and voyage charterparties and contracts of affreightment.
- Identify the functions and legal significance of bills of lading in the carriage of goods by sea.
- Recognise when breaches of shipping contracts arise and the legal consequences, including termination and damages.
- Assess how shipping contracts allocate commercial risks, particularly those relating to delay, laytime, demurrage (liquidated damages) and force majeure.
- Navigate dispute resolution mechanisms in maritime contracts, including arbitration and jurisdiction clauses.



## 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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