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**GMU CENTRE FOR RESEARCH
ON
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Gujarat Maritime University (GMU), an endeavour by Gujarat Maritime Board (GMB), the state regulator for the ports and maritime activities in Gujarat. The University has been conceived by visionaries to address the burgeoning need of the skilled workforce in the ever-changing dynamics of the maritime sector. The University has commenced its academic journey from 2019 with the establishment of its first School - School of Maritime Law, Policy & Administration (SMLPA), which offers LL.M and Post Graduate Diploma programmes in Maritime Law and International Trade Law. In pursuit of creating an institution of global standards, GMU has collaborated with internationally prominent institutions like Erasmus University, STC International and many more such alliances shall be forged in time to come.



GMU CENTRE FOR RESEARCH ON MARITIME LABOUR LAW (GCRMLL)

Centre focuses on all aspects of Maritime Labour Law including issues of occupational health and safety of seafarers and port workers. The Research Centers contributes to the goals of expanding knowledge and having a positive impact on society. Its vision is to get recognized globally and nationally as a center of excellence for research and capacity building in the field of Maritime Labour Law

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MARITIME LABOUR LAW

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Maritime workers perform an admirable service to humanity by helping in moving ships and a variety of cargo from one port to the other. Working on long-term contracts, at sea, and far away from home, seafarers have to face numerous challenges. These include issues related to repatriation, abandonment, non- payment of wages, etc. Mindful of problems faced by seafarers in international waters, some forward-looking developments have taken place in international law. Today there are numerous Conventions and recommendations on working conditions in the maritime transport sector. The purpose of these is to achieve decent work for seafarers and to secure economic interests through fair competition for quality ship owners.

In order to realise its vision GMU Centre for Research on Maritime Labour Law, is pleased on organised the Conference on Maritime Labour Law. It encourages submission of papers focusing on various aspects of the theme.

Papers may be in any of the substantive areas of Maritime Labour Law, including but not limited to those mentioned in below mentioned themes.

Theme 1

Maritime Labour Law: Historical Perspective

- History of seafarers and world shipping
- Evolution of Maritime Labour Law: South Asian Perspective
- The Role of Trade Union activities in the Maritime Sector
- Role of International Labour Organisation in development of Maritime Labour Law
- Role of International Maritime Organisation in development of Maritime Labour Law
- International Non-governmental Maritime Organisation and Maritime Labour Law
- Evolution and development of legal frameworks governing Port Workers
- Evolution and development of legal framework governing seafarers on fishing vessel
- Maritime Labour Law and Human Rights Treaties

Theme 2

Conditions of employment, and issues related to medical care and welfare of the seafarers

- Seafarer Employment Agreement, under Maritime Labour Convention 2006
- Jurisdiction and governing law in disputes arising out of a Seafarer's Employment Agreement
- Issues related to Medical care of Seafarers on board ship and ashore
- Maritime Labour Law and welfare of the seafarers
- Piracy and Maritime Labour Law
- Legal issues related to Recruitment and Placement agencies for seafarers

Theme 3

Issues related to Repatriation and Abandonment of Seafarers

- Abandonment of seafarer and legal response
- Legal Issues related to Repatriation of Seafarers
- System of financial security for seafarers under Maritime Labour Convention, 2006
- Criminalisation of Seafarer
- Role of P&I Clubs and Maritime Labour Law

Theme 4

Compliance and enforcement of Maritime Labour Law

- Flag state responsibilities under Maritime Labour Law
- Port state responsibilities under Maritime Labour Law
- Labour supplying state responsibilities under Maritime Labour Law
- Challenges to implementation of Maritime Labour Convention, 2006
- Challenges to implementation of Maritime Labour Convention: Regional Perspective

In order to promote and reward deserving submissions, selected papers will be published in edited Book on Maritime Labour Law to be published by publisher of International/ National repute.

Certificate of Participation will be provided to all the Presenters

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The Interested Contributors are requested to send their original abstracts in not more than 300 words (excluding footnotes and title)

Post acceptance of abstracts, the full papers have to be submitted in Microsoft Word (Doc./Docx.) formats only. The body of the manuscript must be in "Times New Roman" Font only. font size 12, line spacing 1.5 and alignment "justify". The paper has to be original and free from plagiarism. The word limit of full paper is 4000-6000 words.

All footnotes must be in Font "Times New Roman", font size 10, line spacing. All submissions must follow the "The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation (20th Edition)".

Abstract and full paper should be submitted through email at cmll@gmu.edu.in

IMPORTANT DATES

- Submission of Abstracts – 28th March 2021
- Confirmation of Acceptance – 31st March 2021
- Last Date of Registration – 07th April
- Submission of full Paper – 20th April 2021
- Submission of PowerPoint Presentation – 22nd April 2021
- Date of Conference – 24th and 25th April 2021

REGISTRATION

Co-authorship is allowed up to two authors. In case of Co-authorship, both the authors have to register separately.

Registration link will be sent to the authors of selected abstracts by 2nd April 2021. **Registration fees will be waived for all the authors whose abstract is selected for paper presentation.**

CONFERENCE CHAIR

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