**OBJECTIVE**

The objective is to analyze the European dimension of action at sea, the challenges of sovereignty and the protection of resources, through a multidisciplinary discussion of treaty obligations and the actions of European maritime agencies.

This seminar is part of the 4th Work Package of the Human Sea research program which focuses on «New activities at sea - preliminary analyzes of the legal framework».

In particular, these include:

- The influences and international ambitions of European Union,
- Migration Challenges and Illicit trafficking at sea,
- The European maritime agencies role.

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The goal of this Project, directed by Patrick CHAUMETTE, former Director of the Maritime and Oceanic Law Centre (CDMO), is to restructure the Law of the Sea and Maritime Law, to rethink the intervention of States in oceans, from their territorial waters to the high seas. The compromises found in 1982, with regard to the law of the sea.

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**SEMINAR PROGRAM**

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Legal and operational aspects of the action at sea

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8:30-9:00 Welcome of Participants

MORNING SESSION: INTERACTIONS BETWEEN INTERNATIONAL LAW AND EUROPEAN LAW

Chair: Patrick Chaumette, Professor, University of Nantes, Principal Investigator of the Human Sea Program

9:10-9:25 Opening Conference, Patrick CHAUMETTE.

1. International Maritime Governance

- 9:30: The EU contribution to the structuration of an international legal order for maritime governance, Serge BESLIER, Honorary Director of the European Commission and Chief Administrator of Maritime Affairs (UE Retired).
  → Questions until 10:00
- 10:00: Action at sea and protection of Human Rights, Danilo GARCIA-CACERES, PhD in Law, University Paris 1 (Panthéon - Sorbonne), Post-doc Researcher (Human Sea Program) (France).
  → Questions until 10:30

10:30-10:45 Coffee break

2. The influence of international Law on regional initiatives

- 10:50: The EU Operation Sophia and the role of the UN Security Council, Federica MUSSO, PhD in Law, University of Macerata (Italy).
  → Questions until 11:20
- 11:20: The Dynamism between the EU and the IMO, Henrik RINGBOM, Professor II, Scandinavian Institute of Maritime Law, University of Oslo (Norway).
  → Questions until 11:50

12:00-13:30 Lunch break

AFTERNOON SESSION: THE OPERATIONAL COOPERATION BETWEEN THE EUROPEAN AGENCIES

Chair: Chahira BOUTAYEB, Associate Professor, University Paris 1 (Panthéon – Sorbonne) (France).

1. The European Agencies: a successful model

- 13:35: EMSA – Diversification of its missions and strengthening of its operational capacities: the limits of the European maritime integration, Peter LANGLAIS, PhD in Law, University Paris 2 (Panthéon - Assas) (France).
  → Questions until 14:05
- 14:05: The coastguard function in the European Union: an inter-agency implementation, Gaëtan BALAN, PhD candidate in Law (Human Sea Program), University of Nantes (France).
  → Questions until 14:35

2. The liabilities of the European Union for its maritime interventions

- 14:40: Frontex liabilities: persistent uncertainties, Carole BILLET, Associate Professor, University of Nantes (France).
  → Questions until 15:10
- 15h10: Prospective discussion: towards an international liability for the UE?
  → Questions until 15:40

15:40-15:55 Coffee break

16:00-17:30 Round-table – Towards a new European maritime governance: what particular challenges?

Experts of the Round Table (Speaking time 15 minutes each):

- Pascal SAVOURET, Executive Director of the European Fisheries Control Agency (EFCA), Vigo (Spain).
- Vytautas LUKAS, Operational Officer, Sea Border Sector, Joint Operations Unit - Operations Division, European Border and Coast Guard Agency (Frontex), Warsaw (Poland).
- Willem de RUITER, former Executive Director of the European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA), Special Adviser, Foresight International Policy and Regulatory Advisers (FiPRA), Brussels (Belgium).
  → Questions until 17:30

17:30 Conclusions: Patrick CHAUMETTE