

2023 The 8th International Conference on Ocean Law & Policy

Call for papers:

Topic: AI Impact on International Maritime Law

Description of the Topic:

These years, the issue of artificial intelligence (AI) has been widely discussed world-wide. In the field of Marine Artificial Intelligence application, AI exerts its influence on marine areas such as scientific research, resource exploration, the safety of navigation, sea area monitoring and law enforcement, environmental protection, and climate change prediction. Law has been recognized as one of the most vital behavioral norms. Due to AI's ability to learn, analyze, and cognize exceeding humans, in the area of conventions on carriage of goods by sea, maritime laws, and Marine Insurance laws, the international maritime conventions enacted by Committee Maritime international, United Nations Commission on International Trade Law, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, International Maritime Organization, European Council, and Hague Conference on Private International Law may raise many problems. Specifically, the fatalities and property damage caused by maritime accidents, illegal fishing, discharge of pollutants, and smuggling conducted by autonomous ships. Therefore, apart from universal issues of ethics and intellectual property, the standard for identifying the actors, and the attribution of civil, criminal, and administrative responsibilities will also be influenced by human factors when AI is replaced by AI to take over human behavior, leading to the inapplicability of the current legal logic on traditional maritime law framework. The conference aims to delve into the legal issues on above international conventions arising from the AI application in the marine field, expecting to collect perspectives and inspire suitable solutions.

Important dates & Information

- Date and Venue: 13th October 2023 (09:00-17:00), National Taiwan Ocean University, Keelung, Taiwan.
- The paper presented in the conference via the proper reviewing process will be collected in the form of a special issue by the Journal of International Maritime Law, JIML.
- Official Language: English (simultaneous oral interpretations in-between English and Mandarin will be provided)

First Stage: Submissions of your topic

- 10th June 2023: The deadline for submitting your topic, keywords, and 500 words of abstract with your name, affiliation and contact details in English to colp.conference.2023@gmail.com.
- 20th June 2023: Decision date for accepting your topic.
- 10th September 2023: Submission deadline for your SHORT manuscripts in 2000 words in English

Second Stage: Acceptance of your FULL manuscripts by JIML for the special issue

- The FULL manuscripts shall follow the format, words limit and reviewing policy by the JIML as in the website: <https://www.lawtext.com/page/submissions>

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- Master project of the National Science and Technology Council (Taiwan) "Development and application of marine exploration and ecological survey technologies under climate change" and sub-project (D) "The Legal Impact by AI in International Maritime Law"
- College of Ocean Law & Policy, NTOU
- Master Degree Program in Ocean Policy, NTOU
- Bachelor Degree Program in Ocean Law and Policy, NTOU
- Taiwan Maritime Law Association

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- National Science and Technology Council, Taiwan
- Maritime and Port Bureau, Ministry of Transportation and Communication, Taiwan
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