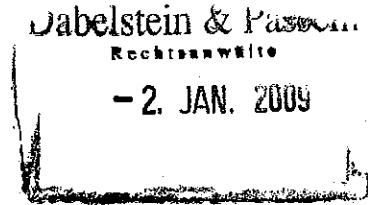


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Dear All,

**Re : 8<sup>th</sup> Dabelstein & Passehl Shipping and Marine Insurance  
Scholarship 2008**

I would like to thank you for giving me this unique opportunity to participate in this year's Scholarship. It was truly a memorable two-week "learning journey" which offered me a great overview of the shipping industry in the most pleasant way.

The Scholarship program was perfectly organized in all aspects from the very interesting lectures to the important visits to shipping institutions. The in-house lectures given by Dabelstein & Passehl lawyers, all of them extremely knowledgeable, gave me an understanding of the legal principles of German maritime and insurance law and enabled me to compare and exchange views with regard to the shipping legal practice in our home countries. Within the framework of the lectures, it was intriguing to note the team work's consideration of legal problems arising in connection with disputes involving a foreign element.

Furthermore, I was really fascinated by the Blohm & Voss Shipyard which gave me the chance to see how the machinery and operating systems of vessels are built. The visits on the containership, the Ship Model Basin, the Pilot Station and the tour to the Harbour Terminal under the valuable guidance of Capt. Hanspeter Ahrens have all provided us with a stimulating insight into the technical and practical aspects of shipping law.

All the presentations held at the various shipping institutions (Zeller Associates, Aon Jauch, Allianz, Junge & Co, VHT, Lampe & Schwartze, Schlimmer & Partner GmbH, Rigel Schifffahrts) were performed by competent professionals actively engaged in the operation of the insurance market and eager not only to provide useful material and pass on their knowledge to us but also showing warm hospitality.

I should note that visiting Munich Re's premises particularly attracted my attention, involving demonstrations of major re-insurance claims showing the dynamic nature of re-insurance law and the interaction between marine casualties and re-insurance business. It would be inappropriate not to acknowledge Christine Angerer's significant contribution during this visit.

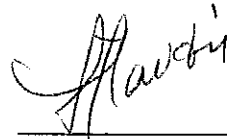
I was delighted to meet legal practitioners from four different countries, Carolina, Mila, Christine and Johan, all of us sharing the same interest for shipping and giving the course a stunning multicultural flavour. Needless to say how much we enjoyed ourselves and how much I am looking forward to meeting them again soon!

Thanks to Da-pa's lawyers' competence and efficiency, a wonderfully warm and inspiring atmosphere was created, combining both professional and social activities of top quality. I am truly nostalgic about all the great social outings to some of Hamburg's finest restaurants and bars.

It is noteworthy that all Da-pa lawyers in addition to their academic credentials and professional skills, are also outgoing, genuine and have excellent interpersonal skills. The Vernissage, an event which I really enjoyed, proves the firm's congenial culture.

Concluding this report, I should once again thank you most sincerely for this outstanding experience and congratulate your law Firm for the initiative to support such a productive and fruitful course enabling young maritime lawyers to strengthen their professional skills and build networking contacts all over the world.

Very truly yours  
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