

# **MediMARE**

## **Mediation in Maritime Affairs**

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The Project MediMARE: Mediation in Maritime Disputes continued developing its activities during the month of September, in several fronts. We held our first open workshop, followed by a meeting with the Project team. In addition, the semi-structured research interviews have already started.

#### PROJECT'S RESEARCH INTERVIEW

The Project MediMARE research interviews have started. In the beginning of the interview, the participants receive an informational sheet explaining what the MediMARE Project is, what are the goals, deadline, and how will their participation take place. All the questions (open and closed ones) are directed to answer and feed the research goals. The semi-structured interview aims at ascertaining how the participants understand mediation and its effectiveness as a means of solving disputes; what kind of disputes they think can be solved by mediation, as well as the role and characteristics of the mediator.

The interviews are well on the way in Norway, and data is being compiled. In Portugal, the work will continue for the following weeks. A final report will follow.

#### SEPTEMBER WORKSHOP

The MediMARE's September Workshop was a great success! It happened on September 19th, and there were several participants, within members of project and outside public. There was an introductory part with the Project Coordinator, Dulce Lopes, presenting all participants, and discussing the developments of the projects. Then, Ms. Pernille Haukås, undergrad student on Political Science at the Norwegian University of Science and Technology made a presentation of her bachelor (undergrad) thesis, in which she analyzed how the United States is avoiding conflict while not involving themselves in the global maritime legal framework. The title is "Why President George W. Bush wanted ratification of the UNCLOS.

















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### **GENERAL PROJECT MEETING**

After the first workshop, the participants of the project held a meeting, in which they discussed the present and future steps of the project (mainly the online Course and the Maritime Mediation Curriculum). Future meetings (in person) were discussed, and new scholarship holders were introduced to the team.



#### **NEXT OPEN WORKSHOP**

On the 24th of October, at 10.00, a new Open Workshop of the project will take place. The poster will soon follow. Stay tuned!

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