



ASSOCIATION INTERNATIONALE DU DROIT DE LA MER

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Dear Colleagues,

Our Association continues to expand its activities in order to strengthen visibility and reinforce relations with different partners. Your participation is very important in order to improve and increase the Association's range of activities. This newsletter provides information on the principal activities in which our Association has been involved in the course of this year.

**1. Activities.**

I should like to announce that the V Ordinary Meeting of the AssIDMer will take place in Venice (Italy) on 20-21 November 2014 and will be organized by the University Ca Foscari Venice. The topic of the Meeting is "*Droit international et gouvernance maritime. Défis actuels pour les Organisations internationales d'intégration économique / International Law and Maritime Governance. Current Issues and Challenges for the Regional Economic Integration Organizations*".

The Call for Papers is published on the Association's Internet site. The submission deadline is 15 October 2014.

I wish to point out that AssIDMer sponsored the International Conference: *Le droit de la mer face aux 'Méditerranées'. Quelle contribution de la Méditerranée et des mers semi-fermées au droit international de la mer?*, organized by the University of Perpignan, France, on 10 October 2014.

I am also pleased to announce that we have created a new section on the Association's Internet site, called "**AssIDMer Dossiers**". The purpose of this new section is to provide members of the Association with a framework to promote continuous interaction among colleagues on selected topics. As such, the Dossiers are intended to establish a center of shared knowledge on the actors, institutions and research concerning the International Law of the Sea. All members of the Association may submit articles on selected topics suggested by the Dossiers. There are five topics available at this time: the Arctic, the Mediterranean, the China Seas, the Underwater Cultural Heritage, Piracy.

For publication of an article or the opening of a new Dossier, all members of the Association may write to the following address: [info@assidmer.net](mailto:info@assidmer.net).

Please note that the Association has also improved its communications by opening a **Twitter** (<https://twitter.com/AssIDMer>), **Facebook** (<https://facebook.com/AssIDMer>) and **LinkedIn** (<https://www.linkedin.com/in/assidmer>) accounts.

## **2. Daniel Vignes Prize.**

I am happy to announce that the Association's Council Bureau has decided to establish the "Daniel Vignes Prize" as a tribute to Daniel Vignes (1924-2011), the Founding and Honorary President of the AssIDMer. The Council Bureau will propose the adoption of Regulations of the prize during the Ordinary General Assembly in Venice.

The prize is intended to reward, under the conditions determined by the Regulations, authors of the best articles on an issue relevant to the International Law of the Sea.

The prize will be offered every two years during the Ordinary Meeting of the International Association of the Law of the Sea and will be awarded for the first time during the VI Ordinary General Meeting of the Association. The amount of this initial award will be 700 euro.

## **3. Ordinary General Assembly of AssIDMer.**

In accordance with the Statute of our Association, the Ordinary General Assembly of AssIDMer will be held during the V Conference. The General Assembly will offer us the opportunity to take stock and review the achievements and projects of the Association. This is an important occasion. The Agenda of the meeting is as follows:

- Report of the President;
- Approval of the minutes of the previous General Assembly;
- Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Association;
- Financial Report of the Treasurer;
- Report of the Delegate for Communications;
- Report of the Delegate for the Organization;
- Elections for the Council;
- Adoption of the Regulation of the *Daniel Vignes Prize*;
- Next conferences and scientific meetings of the Association;
- Any other business.

Nominations for the Council (three posts to be filled) are to be sent, by mail, to the Secretary-General, prior to 15 November 2014. The Council will convene, in its new composition, immediately following the General Assembly.

To facilitate the organization of the VI Ordinary Conference of the Association, nominations must be submitted to the President of the Association.

## **4. Publications.**

Concerning AssIDMer publications, I am happy to inform you of the publication of the proceedings of the IV Ordinary Meeting of the AssIDMer in La Corogne (in two volumes) in the “*Cahiers de l'Association Internationale du Droit de la Mer / Papers of the International Association of the Law of the Sea*”: ***La contribution de la Convention des Nations Unis sur le droit de la mer à la bonne gouvernance des mers et des océans / La contribución de la Convención de las Naciones Unidas sobre el Derecho del Mar, a la buena gobernanza de los mares y océanos / The contribution of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea to good governance of seas and oceans*** (Sous la direction de / Director / Edited by J. M. Sobrino Heredia), Editoriale Scientifica, Napoli, 2014.

The two volumes of the proceedings of the IV Ordinary Meeting of the AssIDMer in La Corogne are offered to members of our Association at the special price of 70 euro.

I remind you that the 1<sup>st</sup> volume of the “*Cahiers de l'Association Internationale du Droit de la Mer / Papers of the International Association of the Law of the Sea*”: ***Droit de la mer et émergences environnementales / Law of the Sea and Environmental Emergencies*** (Sous la direction de / Edited by G. Andreone, A. Caligiuri, G. Cataldi), Editoriale Scientifica, Napoli, 2012, is available to members of the Association at the special price of 20 euro.

We are also offering members of the Association, at the price of 10 euro for postal charges, a printed copy of the volume *Insecurity at sea: Piracy and other risks to navigation* (Edited by G. Andreone, G. Bevilacqua, G. Cataldi, C. Cinelli) published in 2013 as part of the Mersafenet Project (the book can also be downloaded from the Internet site [www.marsafenet.org](http://www.marsafenet.org)).

## **5. Membership Fees.**

Speaking of fees, I remind you that it is now even more important to contribute financially to the Association to ensure continued improvement of the organization's activities. The amount of the fee is unchanged and remains at 40 euro as in previous years.

In order to ensure the correct operation of the AssIDMer, I ask you to fulfill your membership obligations and pay your annual fees.

The fees for 2014 and 2015 may be paid with the same bank transfer.

Upon paying the annual fee members may buy

- At the reduced price of 70 euro, the two volumes “*La contribution de la Convention des Nations Unis sur le droit de la mer à la bonne gouvernance des mers et des océans / La contribución de la Convención de las Naciones Unidas sobre el Derecho del Mar, a la buena gobernanza de los mares y océanos / The contribution of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea to good governance of seas and oceans*” (Sous la direction de / Director / Edited by J. M. Sobrino Heredia), Editoriale Scientifica, Napoli, 2014;
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To pay your fees and make your donation, a transfer may be made to the below bank account:

Account holder: **Rafael Casado Raigon and Gemma Andreone**  
**IBAN:IT82D0101003401100000007139**  
**SWIFT: IBSPITNA**

**Banco di Napoli, via A. Depretis 104, Napoli - Italia**

Do not forget to include your name on the deposit slip.

Do not hesitate to contact the Treasurer, Gemma Andreone, for an update on your account with the AssIDMer or for any other question concerning your fees, by contacting her at the following address: [g.andreone@assidmer.net](mailto:g.andreone@assidmer.net).

Thank you for your assistance and cooperation.

Naples, 12 September 2014

President of the AssIDMer  
*Prof. Giuseppe Cataldi*

