



INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM
VARIOUS DIMENSIONS OF LAW OF THE SEA DECISIONS
2 October 2025
Pîrî Reis University- Seminar Hall 2

Opening Remarks 10.15-10.50

Prof. Dr. Nafiz Arıca, Rector, Pîrî Reis University
Prof. Dr. Ceyda Süral Efeçinar, Dean of Faculty of Law, Pîrî Reis University
Prof. Dr. Yücel Acer, Yıldırım Beyazıt University, Board Member of DEHUKAM
Asst. Prof. Dr. Sevda Keskin, Pîrî Reis University, Faculty of Law, Department of International Law

Session I: Maritime Zones and Contemporary Challenges

Chair: Prof. Dr. Sezer Ilgın, [Pîrî Reis University, Faculty of Law, Department of Maritime Law]

10.50-11.10: Jurisprudence of the ICJ in Maritime Delimitation

H.E. Prof. Dr. Maurice K. Kamga, [Judge, International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea]

11.10-11.30: Defending the Rule of Law in the South China Sea: A Shared Responsibility

H.E. Henry S. Bensurto Jr., [Ambassador of the Republic of the Philippines to Türkiye]

11.30-11.50: Can Hackers Be Pirates? A Doctrinal Test for Cyber-Enabled Piracy under Article 101 of UNCLOS

Dr. Muratcan Gökdemir, [İstanbul Ticaret University Faculty of Law International Law Department]

11.50-12.00: Q&A and Discussion

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch Break

Session II: Turkish Perspectives on the Law of the Sea and the Role of International Case Law

Chair: Prof. Dr. Yücel Acer, Yıldırım Beyazıt University, Board Member of DEHUKAM

13.30-13.50: Joint Development Agreements and Other Informal Mechanisms: Lessons and Preferred Solutions for the Aegean Sea Dispute!?

Prof. Dr. XXX Ademuni-Odeke, [Professor of International Maritime Law and Policy, Special Advisor and Leading Researcher, Ankara University National Centre for the Sea and Maritime Law]

13.50-14.10: Beyond Treaty Obligations: The Role of ITLOS and ICJ Jurisprudence in Shaping Turkish Maritime Legal Thought

Asst. Prof. Dr. Abdulkadir Gülçür, [Adana Alparslan Türkeş Science and Technology University, Faculty of Economics, Administrative and Social Sciences, Department of International Relations, Chair of International Law]

14.10-14.30: International Case Law on Innocent Passage and Transit Passage: Implications for the Turkish Straits Regime under the Montreux Convention

Halil Emre Gürler, [Lecturer, Pîrî Reis University]

14.30-14.40: Q&A and Discussion

14.40–14.50 Coffee Break

Session III: Climate Change and Future of the Law of the Sea

Chair: Prof. Dr. Samim Ünan, [Pîrî Reis University, Faculty of Law, Department of Maritime Law]

14.50-15.10: Sea Level Rise and the Law of The Sea: An Analysis of the ICJ's 2025 Advisory Opinion

Asst.Prof. Dr. Uğur Kanyakçıoğlu, [Kocaeli University, Faculty of Law, Department of International Law]

15.10-15.30: The Effect of the Advisory Opinion of the ICJ Dated 23 July 2025 and Titled “Obligations of States in Respect of Climate Change” on the Conflict of Authority between the IMO and the EU

Asst.Prof.Dr. Halil Çeçen, [Nuh Naci Yazgan University Faculty of Law, Department of European Union Law]

15.30-15.50: Climate Change as Marine Pollution in Türkiye's Due Diligence and Contractual Practices

Res. Asst. Ayşe Selcen Büyük, [Marmara University Faculty of Law, Department of Private Law]

15.50-16.00: Q&A and Discussion

Closing Remarks