

LMAA Seminars in Tokyo and Seoul 16th and 22nd April 2010

The Association held two major seminars in Tokyo and Seoul on 16th and 22nd April. The seminars were organised in Tokyo in conjunction with leading maritime lawyers Mr Makoto Hiratsuka and Mr Takayuki Matsui (pictured), and in Seoul in conjunction with Mr B. S. Chung, a senior partner of leading Seoul law firm Kim & Chang and his colleague Helen Kim (pictured).



The large audiences included representatives of leading shipping companies, shipyards, financiers, marine insurers, P & I Clubs and law firms. Presentations were given by John Tsatsas on the work of the LMAA in its 50th Anniversary year, by Clive Aston on assessment of damages following the *Achilleas* and *Sylvia* decisions, and by Ian Gaunt on issues arising in shipbuilding contract disputes.

Lawyers Hiratsuka and Matsui introduced and moderated the sessions in Tokyo.

In Seoul the seminar was introduced by Chairman of the Korea Shipowners Association Mr Jin-Bang Lee and a supporting speech given by Mr Jae-Moon Doh, President of the Korean Commercial Arbitration Board.



Sessions in Seoul were moderated by Kim & Chang partners B.S. Chung and Eun-Young Park and a further presentation was given by Mr Byung-Chol Yoon of Kim & Chang on ways to challenge London arbitration awards and methods of enforcement in Korea.

The seminars also gave participants opportunities to raise questions regarding the work of the LMAA and informally discuss issues of mutual interest. The seminars follow similar events organised by the LMAA in 2008 and 2009 in Cyprus, Hong Kong, Shanghai and Piraeus.