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DAY 1

09:00-09:30	Opening remarks and introduction to the documentary work of BIMCO
Introduction	
09:30-10:30	The contractual matrix: The relationship between the sale, insurance and carriage contracts
International contracts of sale	
10:30-11:30	Fundamental principles of sale contracts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offer and acceptance ■ Price ■ Fitness for purpose ■ Force majeure clauses ■ Frustration.
11:30-11:45	<i>Break</i>
11:45-12:45	Common forms of sale contracts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Incoterms ■ Payment mechanisms ■ Letters of credit (UCP 600) ■ Required documentation.
12:45-13:45	<i>Lunch</i>

Carriage contracts

13:45-15:30	Principles of cargo and liability insurance
15:30-15:45	<i>Break</i>
15:45-17:00	Principles of cargo and liability insurance <i>(continued)</i>



DAY 2

09:00-10:15	<p>Carriage contracts – the main functions of the B/L and the transfer of rights and obligations between holders of the B/L:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Evidence of contract ■ Receipt of goods ■ Document of title ■ Transferable rights ■ Obligations shift ■ Essential for claims.
10:15-10:30	<i>Break</i>
10:30-11:45	<p>The shipowners' duties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Seaworthiness ■ Care of cargo ■ Proceeding with dispatch ■ Release of bills of lading/sea waybills etc.
11:45-13:00	<p>The charterers' duties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Nomination of ship ■ Provision of cargo ■ Payment of freight ■ Laytime and demurrage.
13:00-14:00	<i>Lunch</i>

Carriage of goods: bills of lading	
14:00-14:45	<p>The relevance of compulsory international conventions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Hague Rules ■ The Hague-Visby Rules ■ The Hamburg Rules ■ The Rotterdam Rules.
14:45-15:30	<p>Letters of Indemnity (LOIs):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Delivery of cargo without bills ■ Deviation for clean bills ■ Unavailable bills under letters of credit ■ Practical checklist ■ Switch bills of lading.
15:30-15:45	<i>Break</i>
15:45-17:00	Case study 2



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