



Invitation to a Seminar on

The new Convention of Carriage of Goods wholly or partly by Sea

Time: Wednesday 7 October 2009 at 16-18 pm.

Place: University of Helsinki, Porthania, (Yliopistonkatu 3), room P545, 5th floor.

Speaker: Professor Pierre-Jean Bordahandy, University of South Australia.

Commentator: Professor Hannu Honka, Åbo Akademi.

This seminar will discuss some of the aspects of the proposed new legal framework resulting from the "Convention on the Carriage of Goods wholly or partly by Sea" also called the "Rotterdam Rules" given its signature in Rotterdam on the 23/09/09. Due to the large legal areas covered by the Convention, the presentation will focus on the legal treatment of shipping containers under the Convention and on some of the provision governing the carrier's period of responsibility and liability. The speaker will try to provide an analytical view of the possible consequences of the application of the Convention to container transportation. More specifically, the speaker will show how and in what ways the proposed new legal framework is likely to substantially affect the balance between the interests of the shipper and the carrier as established by The Hague and Hague-Visby regimes.

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