

CML SEMINAR SERIES

The Proximate Cause of Loss

Speaker

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In this talk Professor Özlem Gürses will discuss the meaning of 'proximate' under the MIA 1906 s 55(1) (which is not confined to marine insurance). The talk will explore the adoption of the word 'proximate' by the pre-MIA 1906 cases which then led to the codification of the term under s 55(1) of the Act. It will discuss if the proximate cause rule has ever been the 'last cause in time' or whether its determination has always been a matter of construction of the way the loss has occurred and the policy terms. The talk will further explore what distinguishes the 'but for' test and 'the proximate cause', and the separation between 'concurrent independent' and 'concurrent interdependent causes'. The talk will conclude on the two matters: (1) is the word 'proximate' misleading and (2) is the so-called 'concurrent causes' formula a theoretical analysis which finds little practical application in the authorities?

ABOUT THE SPEAKER



Özlem Gürses is Professor of Commercial Law at King's College London. She specialises in insurance and reinsurance law. Özlem is the author of Reinsuring Clauses (Informa), Marine Insurance Law (Routledge), Insurance of Commercial Risks (Sweet and Maxwell), and The Compulsory Motor Vehicle Insurance (Informa) as well as many numerous articles published on insurance and reinsurance related topics. Özlem sits in the British Insurance Law Association Committee and the Presidential Council of the International Insurance Law Association (AIDA). She is Vice-Chair of the Reinsurance Working Party of AIDA. Özlem teaches insurance and reinsurance law at King's College London and abroad, including the National University of Singapore, University of Hamburg and the World Maritime University, Malmö.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Shipping lawyers and in-house counsel working in the maritime industry, ship owners, freight forwarders, charterers, forwarders, marine insurers.

VENUE

Maxwell Chambers Pte Ltd
32 Maxwell Road
Singapore 069115

EVENT PROGRAMME

4.00pm : Registration
4.30pm : Seminar Starts
5.45pm : Discussion (Moderated Q&A)
6.00pm : End of Event

REGISTRATION FEE

\$120.38 (inclusive of 7% GST)

REGISTRATION DETAILS*

Seats are limited, please register by
Friday, **18 February 2022** at
<https://tinyurl.com/CMLSS20220223> or with
QR code.



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Training Level: Intermediate

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