



**INTERNATIONAL TRIBUNAL FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA
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Press Release

MS XIMENA HINRICHS OYARCE ELECTED AS REGISTRAR

The Judges of the International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea today elected Ms Ximena Hinrichs Oyarce, of Chilean nationality, as the Registrar of the Tribunal. She succeeds Mr Philippe Gautier, who resigned on 3 June 2019. Prior to her election as Registrar, Ms Hinrichs Oyarce served as Deputy Registrar of the Tribunal.



Ms Hinrichs Oyarce began her career at the International Maritime Organization in 1995, moving to the Legal Office of the Tribunal in 1997. She served as Senior Legal Officer/Head of Legal Office from 2013 until her election as Deputy Registrar in 2017. Ms Hinrichs Oyarce lectures on law of the sea at a number of universities, summer schools and institutes and is the author of publications on the law of the sea and international law.

Pursuant to the Rules of the Tribunal, the Registrar of the Tribunal is elected from among candidates nominated by the judges of the Tribunal. Ms Hinrichs Oyarce

will serve as Registrar for a term of five years. The Registrar, whose functions are defined by article 36 of the Rules of the Tribunal, assists the Tribunal in the exercise of its judicial function and is responsible for all departments of the Registry.

Ms Hinrichs Oyarce's biography may be found on the website of the Tribunal.

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