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With work underway on new contract documents, launches of new guides and editions, industry-leading essential conferences and awards and cutting-edge training, FIDIC really is centre stage for international construction contracts.

Following the launch of a series of reprints of its key contract documents and a new contracts guide at the end of last year, FIDIC has certainly not been resting on its laurels in the global construction contracts arena and the organisation is busier than ever in this area as it looks to keep the industry updated and informed.

This tenth issue of the *FIDIC Contract Users' Newsletter* highlights some of the work currently underway and details a number of must-attend events that have been organised to bring the contracts community together to discuss

the latest issues facing industry professionals.

FIDIC's contracts committee continues to be very active and its task groups are working on a number of new initiatives, including a FIDIC collaborative contract, forms of sub-contract, new net zero clauses, a joint venture contract for contractors, a PPP contract and a new contract for offshore wind farms to take advantage of the growing market for renewable energy.

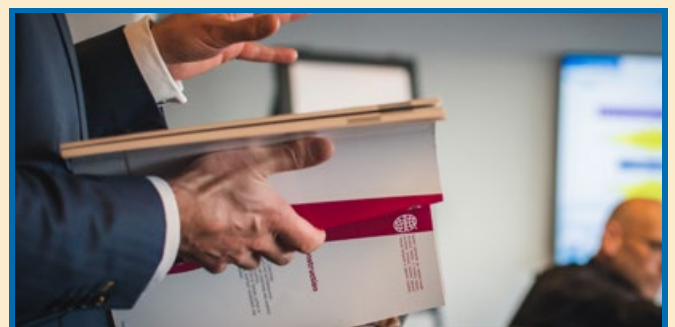
A successful webinar held in March this year showed how FIDIC contracts can help navigate the effects of rising inflation, goods shortages, supply chain delays and war to

support new guidance recently issued to users. The much-needed guidance will be a real help in addressing challenging issues that have all had a serious negative impact on the construction industry

FIDIC has also been working closely with a number of international finance institutions on making its recent 2022 contract reprints more readily available and the World Bank, International Fund for Agricultural Development, Islamic

Development Bank and the Caribbean Development Bank have all signed up to use the new reprints. In addition, the World Bank is assisting FIDIC with the translation of the contract reprints into French, Spanish and Portuguese.

Add in a series of must-attend contracts conferences, expert training provision and leading industry awards and it's clear that FIDIC is increasing the place to be for all those active in the global construction contracts space.



Regional EMEA Contract Users' Conference report – see page 8 and 9.

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New guidance to help FIDIC contract users deal with troubled times

New guidance issued to help FIDIC construction contract users navigate troubled times and deal with effects of inflation and goods and labour shortages.

FIDIC has published a new guidance document to assist the users of its construction contracts when dealing with the effects of inflation and shortages of labour and goods following the global pandemic and the war in Ukraine.

The guidance memorandum, *FIDIC contracts guidance on the effects of inflation and unavailability of goods and labour following the global Covid-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine*, contains an outline of the provisions in FIDIC's various general conditions of contract which can be relevant to help users deal with a number of scenarios which may arise when dealing with the above issues.

As the world was recovering from the global pandemic and countries opened their borders and resumed regular trade, this generated booming market demand in many sectors including the construction industry. As a result, the industry has been severely affected by a combination of increased costs inflation, including transport costs and the unavailability or scarcity of construction resources,



such as goods and labour.

In addition, the market has also been impacted by the Russian invasion of Ukraine and by varying Covid-19 policies in different countries, some of which continued to apply a strict zero-Covid policy throughout 2022 with total lockdowns. All of the above resulted in severe disruption to the construction industry's global supply chains.

The newly published guidance has been prepared to assist FIDIC contract users in understanding the contractual mechanisms that operate in the FIDIC standard forms of contract that may be relevant in dealing with the challenges like rising

inflation, labour and goods shortages and other supply chain issues that could negatively impact on the running of a construction and infrastructure investment contract.

Commenting on the new guidance, FIDIC CEO Dr Nelson Ogunshakin said: "The FIDIC contracts committee has prepared this guidance memorandum to assist the industry, highlighting how parties to a construction project can navigate through the current challenging times with their FIDIC contract.

"We have adopted a hands-on approach to the guidance by highlighting various scenarios of events that may impact on a construction and infrastructure project and drawing up practical remedies that may be considered under the FIDIC contracts. The guidance does not provide advice specific to any project. The comments in the guidance memorandum are not exhaustive and they should not be relied upon for a specific issue or situation. As always, expert legal advice should be obtained whenever appropriate."

The new guidance memorandum, *FIDIC contracts guidance on the effects of inflation and unavailability of goods and labour following the global Covid-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine*, is available as a free download from the FIDIC website.

[Click here to download the new contracts guidance.](#)



CERN receives recognition award for contracts use

Nuclear research organisation CERN receives recognition for its longstanding advocacy and use of FIDIC contracts.

FIDIC has presented a Strategic Partner Recognition Award to CERN, the European Organization for Nuclear Research.

The award, which was presented at FIDIC's International Contract Users Conference at the end of last year, was made to recognise CERN's support in translating the *FIDIC Green Book 2021* and the *FIDIC White Book 2017* contracts into French and for the organisation being a longstanding advocate of using FIDIC contracts for more than a decade.

FIDIC CEO Dr Nelson Ogunshakin said: "FIDIC greatly values the relationship that it has with CERN and we are delighted that FIDIC contracts are helping to deliver such a landmark project that is doing crucial work. We fully support CERN's mission to unite people from all over the world to push the frontiers of science and technology, for the benefit of all and wish them well in their future endeavours."

CERN is the research centre that operates the largest particle physics laboratory in the world in Switzerland. CERN has 23 member states that all make a contribution to the capital and operating costs of its programmes, are represented in the CERN council and responsible for all important decisions about the organisation and its activities.

More than 600 institutes and universities around the world use CERN's facilities. Funding agencies from both member and non-member states are responsible for the

financing, construction and operation of the experiments on which they collaborate. CERN spends much of its budget on building machines such as the Large Hadron Collider, the world's largest and most powerful particle accelerator.

FIDIC CEO Dr Nelson Ogunshakin continued: "CERN is a truly multinational project and it also plays a key role in training future scientists and engineers. It offers a unique environment for learning and training - a rich and stimulating melting pot of people and ideas including exceptional opportunities - and it is rightly well regarded worldwide for its work. The recognition award afforded by FIDIC to CERN is richly deserved."

Pieter Mattelaer, deputy group leader, project portfolio management, site and civil engineering at CERN, said: "The longstanding use of FIDIC contracts at CERN is something we consider to be a key factor in our ability to successfully deliver a variety of infrastructure projects across our site. CERN makes great efforts to ensure its tender packages and contracts are accessible to companies across its member states. Given the global use, adaptability and recognition that the FIDIC suite of contracts benefit from, it is an excellent fit that supports our needs."

[Click here to find out more about the CERN project.](#)

A must-attend event for international contract users

The Official FIDIC International Contract Users' Conference and Awards 2023 takes place in London from 28-29 November and is set to be as popular as ever.

Following a successful 2022 event, the 2023 Official FIDIC International Contract Users' Conference and Awards, which takes place on 28-29 November 2023 in central London, once again promises to be a must-attend event for all those working with FIDIC contracts.

This is a conference that offers delegates an invaluable update on FIDIC's contract suite as well as discussing some of the latest developments in the international contracts arena. The event is known for highlighting key and emerging issues and giving attendees the opportunity to meet and network with key global stakeholders from across the FIDIC contracts ecosystem.

Attendees at the conference will get the lowdown on the latest state of play with FIDIC contracts that are being planned or under development and will also hear from leading contractual and legal experts on current and emerging issues in the fast-changing world of global construction contracts. The event will also include a dispute avoidance and adjudication forum, which takes place on 27 November 2023.

Last year's conference was pretty much a sold-out event with attendees keen to hear the latest FIDIC contracts news and take the opportunity of valuable networking with legal and contractual experts from around the world.

As part of the overall two-day event programme, the unveiling of the winners of the FIDIC Contract Users' Awards 2023 will also take place at a special gala dinner event on 28 November 2023. The awards recognise excellence in the use of FIDIC contract forms for project delivery and showcase examples of good practice through collaboration from across the world. The awards gala dinner is a brilliant networking opportunity for attendees at the conference and the wider industry and not to be missed.

If you currently use FIDIC contracts, are contemplating using them in the future or just want to find out more about why these market-leading contractual forms are so widely used and well regarded across the international construction industry, then make sure you book your place at the Official FIDIC International Contract Users' Conference and Awards in London.



[Click here to find out more about the Official FIDIC International Contract Users' Conference and Awards 2023.](#)

Top trainer Salvador's passion helps him win major award

The winner of the FIDIC Contracts Trainer of the Year Award is an innovator whose passion shines through in the courses he delivers.

When Salvador P Castro Jr won the Trainer of the Year Award at the 2022 FIDIC Contract Users' Awards, the audience at the awards ceremony responded with genuine warmth and appreciation as his acceptance video was shown on screen before hundreds of industry professionals at the awards gala dinner held in London.

The judging panel for the award said that it was clear from Castro's entry and the endorsements it contained from satisfied professionals, that people were really learning a lot and enjoying their learning when being trained by him. His innovative presentation and passion about teaching shines through, said the judges.

And Castro, who is based in the Philippines, is certainly passionate about training. His expertise in this field is underpinned by a mastery of project management that is founded on more than 30 years of



practice, affiliations with international organisations and of course continuous world-class training.

As Castro says: "I share what I know with the same amount of passion as I do in every training I've ever conducted, drawing from my experiences as a mediator, arbitrator, adjudicator and civil engineer, focusing on dispute avoidance. After each training day, I get feedbacks from participants that they shared in the chat box, which allows me to immediately take action." It's an attention to detail that will be well known to those that have been fortunate to have been a recipient of Castro's training style.

Castro has lectured to participants beyond the traditional contract

users of FIDIC (employers, contractors, engineers), reaching out to experienced construction arbitrators and mediators, respected legal and technical professionals who can best influence the private and public sectors on the use of construction contracts in the country.

His approach has paid off, with Castro successfully conducting an online in-house FIDIC contracts training course to members of the Philippine Institute of Construction Arbitrators and Mediators (PICAM) endorsed by professional and business communities and trained/accredited construction arbitrators and mediators of the Construction Industry Arbitration Commission (CIAC) in the Philippines.

His 32-hour online course for CIAC covered practical application of the FIDIC

Red and Yellow Books 1999 and the Pink Book 2010, management of claims, resolution of disputes and the roles of dispute board in dispute avoidance, which are currently being used in the massive Build Build infrastructure programme (2017-2030) of the Philippines government.

Commenting on his success, Castro said: "My approach to training stems from the fact that I greatly believe in the subject matter of the FIDIC contracts. I think that the more people that come to know and use it the better for the construction industry and all related industries globally. I hope that along the way people enjoy their tome with me whenever I train them, so I always try to innovate to improve and enhance the trainees' experience."

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Online conference highlights key role of FIDIC contracts in EMEA region

The Official FIDIC Contract Users' Conference 2023 for Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) region held in June was a great success.

The Official FIDIC Contract Users' Conference 2023 for Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA) region, which took place online and was delivered in-house by FIDIC from 10-11 May 2023, witnessed another successful gathering of the FIDIC contracts community who were keen to share progress on the application and use of FIDIC contracts internationally and across the region.

The event, sponsored by leading construction and energy law firm Fenwick Elliott, targeted the contract users' community in the EMEA region and was attended by a range of stakeholders including MDBs, private sector organisations and clients, government, engineers, contractors, investors, consultants, and other stakeholders who have an interest in FIDIC contracts.

Welcoming delegates on behalf of the FIDIC board, James Mwangi said that the interaction and discussions at the conference were vital in ensuring that FIDIC contracts remain relevant "in what we all know is a changing and challenging marketplace and industry that we are all currently working in".

Delivering the Doha Metro with FIDIC contracts

Day one keynote speaker, independent arbitrator and mediator Stephen Hibbert, spoke about how the *FIDIC 1999 Yellow Book's* terms played a key role in the successful delivery of the Doha Metro project (pictured right) in time for the 2022 FIFA World Cup. Hibbert played a key role in the project, on which he spent eight-and-a-half years, overseeing the selection of the contracts used and the way they were used. Hibbert explained that the Doha Metro was delivered using an amended form of the *FIDIC 1999 Yellow Book*. The amendments were based on a number

of key project principles and themes and he said that the success of the project supported the view that those amendments played a constructive role.

Working in challenging times

Following Hibbert's keynote, the first main session of the conference, moderated by FIDIC contracts committee chair Vincent Leloup, looked at the use of FIDIC contracts in challenging times and how construction projects are affected by inflation, increases in cost of materials, labour and other inputs and specifically what measures are available to project participants

under FIDIC contracts to manage cost increases.

Speakers also examined the impact of the Ukraine war on construction contracts and the measures taken to overcome or address the challenges that arose as a result of the conflict. All stressed the need to maintain dialogue with clients, be aware of the effects on global supply chains across the industry and safeguard cashflows, as it was in no one's interests for firms to cease trading, especially in a climate of skills challenges and shortages of materials.

Practical experience of using FIDIC in EMEA region

Other sessions at the conference looked at the use of FIDIC contracts on public and private projects in the EMEA region. Patrick McPherson, partner at Hogan Lovells, highlighted some of the giga-infrastructure projects that are a key component of Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030, including the NEOM project, a \$500bn megacity due for completion in 2030. The NEOM project is using standard FIDIC

contracts extensively.

Courtney Rothery, legal director at CMS in the UAE, spoke about some of the amendments to the standard FIDIC forms made in the Gulf states and the potential problems and challenges that may arise as a result. Rothery said that sometimes these amendments were important and sensible but at other times they were distinctly unhelpful.

The conference also had an interesting session on ESG and the net zero agenda, where Fenwick Elliott partner Jeremy Elliott, highlighted the growing importance of sustainability and social value as a procurement imperative for projects and the support of organisations like the World Bank and also FIDIC for these aims.

The second day of the conference opened with an opportunity to hear from members of the FIDIC contracts committee about what is on their current and emerging agenda of work. There was also an update on the 2022 reprints of the FIDIC contracts and the new contracts guide from former member of the contracts committee

Siobhan Fahey and a discussion on some of the use of 2017 contracts in the region.

Introducing the first session with the FIDIC contracts committee, which was chaired by committee chair Vincent Leloup, longstanding special advisor to FIDIC, Nael Bunni of Bunni & Associates, highlighted some of the amendments and changes to recently updated versions of the FIDIC contracts. Bunni praised FIDIC for its success in having its contracts being widely adopted by leading international funding bodies and other funding organisations, saying that this was a significant achievement and to the benefit of the global industry.

Contracts committee members Kiri Parr, Adriana Spassova, Mahmoud Abu Hussein, Jafar Khan and Peter Collie then gave an update on new contracts under development including a FIDIC collaborative contract, forms of sub-contract, new net zero clauses, a joint venture contract for contractors, a PPP contract and a new contract for offshore wind farms to take advantage of the growing market for renewable energy.

Avoiding disputes and resolving them

The final session of the conference, chaired by FIDIC contracts committee member Husni Madi, examined the always-topical issue of dispute avoidance, offering a regional perspective on the use of dispute boards/DAABs by giving a comparative perspective on their use across the EMEA region. The panellists included Fenwick Elliott partner Nicholas Gould, Jason Smit, a partner at Pinsent Mason, Dean Ryburn, partner and Middle East co-head for construction and dispute resolution at Dentons & Co and Yasemin Cetinel, founding partner at Cetinel Law Firm.

Summing up the conference, FIDIC CEO Dr Nelson Ogunshakin singled out sponsors Fenwick Elliott for their support for the event and for their work in the legal and contractual arena supporting the industry. Addressing delegates directly, he said: "It has been an excellent event over the past two days and I hope that you will go away better informed about FIDIC contracts and their use across the EMEA region."



[Click here to read a more detailed report of day one of the conference.](#)

[Click here to read a more detailed report of day two of the conference.](#)



Arup's Nora Fung collects the 2023 Project of the Year Award on behalf of the consortium engineer for the La Mesa Water Treatment Plant 1 in the Philippines.

Contract Users' Awards 2023 now open for entries

Entries are now open in the annual awards that showcase excellence and good practice in the use of FIDIC contracts, with the winners to be announced at the end of November.

The FIDIC Contract Users' Awards, now in their fifth year, aim to recognise excellence in the use of FIDIC contract forms for project delivery and showcase examples of good practice through collaboration from across the world. Entries are now

open for these prestigious awards which will see construction, legal and contractual professionals from around the world competing against each other to achieve international recognition.

There are seven categories in this year's awards, as follows: -

- Project of the Year
- Client of the Year
- Consultant of the Year
- Contractor of the Year
- Legal Firm of the Year
- Trainer(s) of the year
- Adjudicator of the Year

Speaking at last year's awards event, the chair of the judging panel Sir Vivian Ramsey said: "These awards are the awards for the FIDIC contracts community and I was pleased to see such a diverse range of entries over a wide geographical spread. I was also delighted to see that the high quality of entries is being maintained and, in some cases, exceeded."

FIDIC is hoping for a record crop of entries this year as the industry gets back into full swing

following the challenges of recent years. FIDIC CEO Dr Nelson Ogunshakin said: "Our FIDIC Contract Users' Awards are now firmly established as a key part of the industry's global events calendar. They are so important in raising the profile of FIDIC contracts and those who use them and I am delighted that will be bringing together the global contract user community to celebrate excellence and good practice."

Entering the awards couldn't be easier, with an easy-to-follow, step-by-step online submission process. Entrants are able to save their entry and return to it to complete later, making the process straightforward and more user-friendly than ever before.

The closing date for submitting entries to all the FIDIC Contract Users' Awards is 21 July 2023. Winners will be announced during the Gala Dinner and Contract Users' Awards Ceremony which takes place in London on 28 November 2023.

[Click here for full details and to enter the 2023 FIDIC Contract Users' Awards.](#)



Paris to host leading contracts and dispute resolution event

The latest ICC-FIDIC Conference on International Construction Contracts and Dispute Resolution promises has a packed two-day agenda addressing key industry issues.



The International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and FIDIC is holding their annual ICC-FIDIC Conference on International Construction Contracts and Dispute Resolution in Paris on 12-13 October 2023. The two-day event, which gathers the world's leading construction practitioners, aims to provide participants with an update of the latest industry insights, trends and developments. It will also offer excellent potential for networking.

Any practitioner involved in international construction contracts and disputes. That includes engineers, contractors, in-house lawyers from construction companies, construction lawyers, arbitrators, mediators, experts, contract managers, financial institutions and government entities involved in procurement

using the FIDIC forms of contract.

Conference sessions will discuss the current trends in dispute avoidance and how various techniques, informal assistance, mediation, and adjudication, can be used interchangeably to prevent disputes. Sessions will also discuss whether this is a step in the right direction or a step too far that poses risks and challenges.

Delegates will also have an opportunity to look at how dispute boards can assist parties in navigating through difficult times and examine lessons learned from recent crises (Covid, inflation and war).

Other sessions will include discussions on complex arbitration and the different procedural options available to parties, prolongation, interim measures,

expedited procedure provisions and the positive spill-over effects on arbitration in general.

The ICC-FIDIC Conference on International Construction Contracts and Dispute Resolution will also include what should be an enlightening fireside chat featuring FIDIC CEO Dr Nelson Ogunshakin and Ziva Filipic, acting deputy secretary general of the ICC International Court of Arbitration. Attendees will also delve into sessions on dispute prevention and complex arbitrations, packed with insights not to be found anywhere else. [Click here to view the latest conference programme.](#)

This conference offers an ideal opportunity to network with industry leaders, gain valuable knowledge and expand professional horizons. Paris this October will bring together the brightest minds in the field of construction contracts and dispute resolution and representatives from member firms of FIDIC member associations receive a 20% discount off the standard delegate fee.



[Click here to register for the ICC-FIDIC Conference on International Construction Contracts and Dispute Resolution.](#)



Contracts training gets a boost with FIDIC Academy revamp

Big boost for industry training as the FIDIC Academy announces major upgrade, appointment of global professional experts and a new website.

In what is being seen as a big boost for training and development in the engineering, construction and infrastructure sector, the FIDIC Academy, the delivery vehicle for international engineering federation FIDIC's training activities, has announced a significant upgrading of its output. The upgrade includes the rebranding of courses, the appointment of a team of global professional advisors and the launch of a new FIDIC Academy standalone website to enable even better promotion of its courses and training to the wider industry.

FIDIC set up the Geneva-based FIDIC Academy in 2021, with WSP Group chairman Chris Cole as chancellor, to provide training and capacity building to drive excellence in quality and best practice for the consulting engineering and wider infrastructure industry, as well as stimulating talent and developing future leaders to provide professional engineers and consultants with the skills required to compete in a global marketplace.

This latest development sees the rebranding, repositioning and upgrading of the FIDIC Academy's course programme output and the launch of a new website at www.fidic.academy to offer a centralised, one-stop shop for the whole training and education portfolio of FIDIC. The move will mean the creation of a more comprehensive overview of course offerings, enabling clients to more efficiently and effectively match their training and education needs with the academy's wide range of events.

FIDIC chief executive and academy vice chancellor Dr Nelson Ogunshakin, said: "The repositioning of our capacity building initiative

is one of our strategic priorities for 2020-2024 to secure tomorrow's talent to ensure a sustainable industry. We are expanding the training areas that we cover to offer a wider service to the industry and in addition to our existing popular contracts training courses, for the first time the FIDIC Academy is also venturing into the areas of business practice and FIDIC values issues to ensure that we are able to provide the best possible training and education content tailored towards consulting engineering, construction, infrastructure and other industry professionals, no matter what their level of proficiency.

"We have also assembled

a fantastic group of practising technical and management experts across the global infrastructure sector to help shape the academy's training offerings. FIDIC Academy deans of faculties and discipline heads have been appointed to deliver the best quality content and learning outcomes for the industry and I am delighted that we have been able to attract such experienced industry leaders to head up the various academy faculties and disciplines.

"The combination of industry talent we have

assembled as faculty and discipline heads will ensure that we are able to extend our capacity building services to cover all industry stakeholders, including government, engineers, legal professionals, consultants, investors, contractors, suppliers, operators, investors, equipment providers, multilateral development banks, asset owners, based on an extensive track record of delivery of value-for-money learning services."

FIDIC Academy general manager Michael Broadley commented: "These are exciting times for FIDIC's

training. The developments and upgrades we are making, together with our new standalone website, mean that the FIDIC Academy now has a much more attractive marketing tool to showcase its training and education portfolio to our prospective clients. This will benefit all our partners - clients, associates, including member associations and interested companies and individual professionals across the consulting engineering profession and the wider construction sector."

The new FIDIC Academy website is integrated with

the academy's training platform where clients will be able to choose, register and enrol directly onto relevant training courses after being offered more user-friendly guidance about which training event to choose. "This all about making it easier for our clients across engineering, construction and infrastructure sector to choose the right training they need more efficiently and effectively than ever before and we can't wait to start providing that better service to existing and new customers across the industry," Broadley said.

FIDIC Academy Heads of Faculties

Dean of FIDIC Body of Knowledge Forum: Stephane Giraud, Founder and CEO, Plan J Consulting.

Dean of Faculty of Contracts: Chris Seppälä, Partner, White & Case.

Dean of Faculty of Business Practice: José Ortiz García, Board Member, Joyco.

Dean of Faculty of FIDIC Values: Anne Kerr, Managing Director Greater China, Mott MacDonald.

FIDIC Academy Discipline Heads

Vice-Dean of FIDIC Body of Knowledge Forum: Michele Kruger, Function General Manager (Water Infrastructure), SMEC.

Vice-Dean of FIDIC Body of Knowledge Forum: Andrew Reed, Managing Director, Pederson Read Consulting Electrical Engineers.

Head of Contract Principles: Nino Tsaturova, Head of Legal, Intelligent Solution LLC.

Head of Use of FIDIC Contracts: Abdel Moniem, General Manager, Alliance Engineering.

Head of Dispute Avoidance and Resolution: Javier Sánchez Llopes, Operations Director, Driver Trett.

Head of Consulting Business: Prashant Kapila, Managing Director, Intercontinental Consultants & Technocrats.

Head of HR and Welfare Management: Liam Hayes, Chief People Officer, Aurecon.

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Head of Design Management: Tom Smith, Global Director, Property & Buildings, WSP.

Head of Integrity Management: Julianna Fox, Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer, WSP.

Head of Sustainability Management: Jeshika Moonsamy, Principal Engineer Infrastructure Development/Climate & Sustainability, Mott MacDonald.

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Head of Risk Management: Clare B Marshall, Parter, 2MPy.

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG): Thea Weeks, Committee Member, Coalition of Women in Africa for Peace and Sustainable Development.



New on-demand construction contracts course launched



A new online on-demand course offering an overview of the fundamental principles and key features of international construction contracts has just been launched by the FIDIC Academy.

There's some great news for all those involved in the construction industry who are looking to enhance their understanding of international construction contracts. The FIDIC Academy has just announced the launch of a new online on-demand course designed to provide a comprehensive overview of the fundamental principles and key features of international construction contracts.

The Fundamentals of International Construction Contracts course is set to be an invaluable resource tailored to contractors, engineers, project managers, legal professionals and government officials. Whether you're a seasoned industry expert or just starting your career, this course will equip you with essential knowledge of international construction law and the contracts that govern international construction projects.

The course, which is led by senior lawyers from leading international construction and insurance law specialists, will ensure that those working on international construction projects are aware of the issues and risks that can arise and are able to protect themselves and their organisations when working on

them. The course will also create a foundation for professionals wanting to gain knowledge in this field and potentially expand on it with further training at a later stage.

Here's what you can expect from this comprehensive course: -

1. Gain a clear understanding of the roles and responsibilities of project stakeholders in international construction contracts.
2. Explore the impact of project funding on the terms of the construction contract.
3. Identify and mitigate risks and issues commonly encountered in international construction projects through effective contract management.

4. Familiarise yourself with the main dispute resolution options available in international construction contracts.
5. Get an introduction to the process of international arbitration and learn why the terms of the arbitration agreement in an international construction contract are crucial.

What sets this course apart is its accessibility. Available in English, with translations offered in Arabic, Chinese, French, Russian, Portuguese and Spanish, the course caters to professionals from diverse backgrounds and locations worldwide.

At just €80 per person, enrolling on the *Fundamentals of International Construction Contracts* course is both simple and affordable. Upon successful completion of the course video and the post-course quiz, all attendees will receive a Certificate of Completion from FIDIC, validating their new-found expertise.

[Click here for further information and to access the Fundamentals of International Construction Contracts course.](#)



FIDIC publishes hard copy version of new contracts guide

Those who prefer to use the traditional book format of FIDIC's contract documentation can now order a hard copy version of the new FIDIC 2017 Contracts Guide 2nd Edition 2022.

FIDIC has published a hard copy version of its new contracts guide to complement the currently available electronic version which was released to support the reprints of a number of key FIDIC construction contracts published at the end of last year.

The hard copy version of the *FIDIC 2017 Contracts Guide 2nd Edition 2022* offers a comprehensive and practical overview of FIDIC's suite of contracts and outlines key, detailed clause-by-clause guidance on the use of these industry leading documents. Publishing the guide in hard copy fulfils the needs of those stakeholders who prefer to use the book forms of FIDIC's contract documentation and is expected to be widely used in the industry.

The guide should be used alongside the 2022 Reprints of the 2017 Red, Yellow and Silver Books, which were launched by FIDIC in November 2022 to take on board

industry feedback and to improve the use of the contracts in practice so helping to keep FIDIC's industry construction contracts relevant and easy to use in a changing industry landscape.

Commenting on the launch of the new hard copy version of the guide, Daduna Kokhreizde, FIDIC's general counsel, said: "We are proud to provide the global engineering and construction sector with the contract documentation it needs to work smarter and more efficiently and launching the new *FIDIC*

Contracts Guide in hard copy means that users will be able to have this important document available in a format that suits their needs."

Both the new guide and the reprinted contracts, with amendments, have benefited from the skilled input of the members of the FIDIC contracts committee, as well as feedback from other legal and contractual experts and users from across the contracts landscape. The guide is available for order from FIDIC's website and costs €330.

[Click here to order copies of the FIDIC 2017 Contracts Guide 2nd Edition 2022, selecting hard copy from the drop-down menu.](#)



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