



CONFERENCE

Dispute Avoidance in Construction

Lecture Theatre – Engineers Ireland, 22 Clyde Road, Dublin

Friday 24 March 2017

Differences will always occur on construction projects and parties require solutions. Dispute avoidance methods and early intervention in construction disputes can allow works to proceed without delay or extra costs. With increased investment in construction and infrastructure and the resurgence of the Irish construction industry, the need for practical guidance on dispute avoidance and non – litigious dispute resolution methods cannot be underestimated. This is a rapidly developing area, internationally with FIDIC, ICC, CI Arb and others promoting Dispute Avoidance Boards, and at home in Ireland with the introduction of Project Boards, Standing Conciliator in Public Works Contracts, and the increased use of mediation for construction disputes. This one-day Conference which is a collaboration between Engineers Ireland and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – Irish Branch will give delegates information on developments in this area, in the Irish context and what is international best practice.

08.30: Registration and Tea / Coffee

09.00: Joint Opening of Conference by:

Siobhan Fahey, Chairperson, Engineers Ireland Dispute Resolution Board

Gerard Monaghan, Chairman, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – Ireland Branch

09.15: Session One: Moderator: Siobhan Fahey (EI, FIDIC & CI Arb)

09:20 – 09:45 New Approaches to Dispute Avoidance in Projects ... **Bill Morrissey** (Chair CI Arb Dispute Avoidance Ireland)

09:45 – 10:20 PWCs: Standing Conciliator and Project Boards ... **David O'Brien** (Office of Government Procurement)

10:20 – 11:00 How the Standing Conciliator and Project Boards are expected to work ... **Professor Nael Bunni**

TEA / COFFEE BREAK

11.20: Session Two: Moderator: Gerard Monaghan (Chair CI Arb Ireland Branch)

11:20 – 11:50 Standing Conciliator and Project Boards; Employers' Perspective ... **Tim Ahern** (EI –DRB)

11:50 – 12:20 Standing Conciliator and Project Boards; Contractors' Perspective ... **Hank Fogarty** (EI –DRB)

12:20 – 12:50 The Power of Mediation in construction Disputes **Helen Kilroy** Solicitor, McCann Fitzgerald

12:50 – 13:15 Panel Q & A Discussion

BUFFET LUNCH & NETWORKING

14.00: Session Three: Moderator: Gerard O'Brien (EI Conciliator & CI Arb SIG Member)

14:00 – 14:40 The Pros and Cons of Conciliation in Ireland **Dr. Brian Bond** (EI Conciliator)

14:40 – 15:10 DABs under FIDIC contracts: General Overview **Siobhan Fahey** (EI, FIDIC & CI Arb)

15:10 – 15:50 Dispute Avoidance under FIDIC contracts **Richard Appuhn** (FIDIC Presidents List Adjudicator)

TEA / COFFEE BREAK

16.05: Session Four: Moderator: Gerard Monaghan, Chair, CI Arb – Ireland Branch

16.05 – 16.35 Dispute Avoidance & the statutory adjudication system in UK **Murray Armes** (Adjudicator UK)

16:35 – 17:00 Collaborative Contracting and ADR **Tom Carey** (CI Arb & Dublin Airport Authority)

17.00 – 17.30 Open Panel Discussion

17.30 Conference Close

Admission: Members of Engineers Ireland and Chartered Institute of Arbitrators €125.00 | Non-Members €175.00

CPD credit: 8.5 hours

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