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Fellows Dinner
 Friday, May 22, 2015
 London

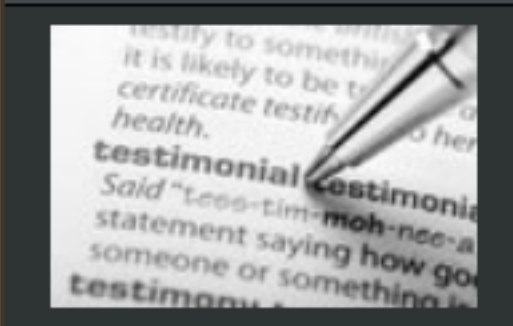


London Thames Sunset
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The Dispute Board Federation will be holding a special event to honour our new Fellows at the **Installation and Presentation of Fellows Dinner** on May 22nd 2015 in London.

Please **RSVP** to your invitation as soon as possible as seating is limited. If you have not received an invitation and you are a Fellow, please contact [Lori Fusello](mailto:Lori.Fusello@dbfederation.org) for more details.

FTIP Testimonials



FIDIC Contracts Total Immersion Programme
 May 28, 2015 - June 3, 2015
 Dublin, Ireland

From past participants of the FTIP Programme:

"The FTIP course is an excellent way to obtain a good understanding of the FIDIC suite of contracts including the mechanisms and possible pitfalls, for the Employer, Contractor and other practitioners."

Robert A Sliwinski,
 FRICS, FCIArb, FRSA
 SWL Chambers
 London, UK

"Teachers and participants interact continuously for several days, and this primary aspect requires both a maximum concentration and a good knowledge of the subject matter. For me, it was the most difficult course I attended in my life. But, at the end, I learned a lot and I made friends. I can certainly say that it was an experience that enriched me professionally and personally."

Av. Francesco Albertelli
 Attorney at Law - Arbitrator - Mediator
 Rome, Italy

"The FTIP course was very challenging and intensive making it very thorough and in-depth. The course has been very effective in reviewing important principles and providing a deep understanding and knowledge of the FIDIC Suite of Contracts and the Dispute Adjudication process. The course did indeed have many positive outcomes to attribute towards development of my career and enabled me to gain insight and in-depth understanding in the capacity of a Lawyer.

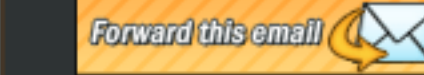
Overall the course was a very positive experience and I would highly recommend it to those who wish to gain a deep insight and understanding in FIDIC Contracts."

Soley Erogluer
 Senior Legal Counsel at Siemens Istanbul, Turkey

If you are interested in attending FTIP please have your most current or available and contact [Lori Fusello](mailto:Lori.Fusello@dbfederation.org) or visit the [website](http://www.dbfederation.org) for more information.

Help Expand Membership in The DBF

Do you have any colleagues with expertise in the fields of law, arbitration, construction, engineering, surveying or energy that would be an asset to our membership or perhaps someone who wants to learn more about Dispute Boards? Tell them about the DBF.



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[Website For More Information](http://www.dbfederation.org)

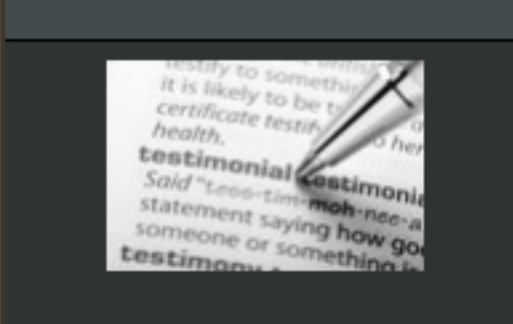
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"The Intensive Training Programme greatly expanded my knowledge. It was very well organized and prepared, with a high level of professional presentation thanks to Dr. Chern, Leo Grutters and Ben Beaumont. I strongly recommend this course."

Zdenek Jurk
 ABC Engineering P.E.
 Prague, Czech Republic

"I attended the DAB Intensive Training in Dublin-Ireland, April 7-9, 2014. My compliments to the great team of trainers, and to everybody who participated in the organization of the training!

As an employee of a construction company, I gained valuable knowledge that every Contractor needs to know when it comes to disputes and DAB decisions in large construction projects.

The trainers shared with us not only their huge knowledge and experience regarding DAB matters, but we were also able to learn more about very important related issues of claims and contract management. I am grateful for having a privilege to participate."

Sead Dizdarevic
 Euro-Asfalt
 Sarajevo, Bosnia i Hercegovina



Upcoming Events

- 22 May 2015, London: [Installation and Presentation of New Fellows Dinner](#)
- 28 May-3rd June, 2015, Dublin, Ireland: [FIDIC Contracts Total Immersion Programme](#)

Spring FIDIC Contracts Total Immersion Programme Coming to Dublin, Ireland



FTIP Programme 28th May - 3rd June, 2015 Dublin, Ireland

We are accepting applications for our highly successful **FIDIC Contracts Total Immersion Programme (FTIP)** to be held this spring in Dublin. Five FIDIC experts in their fields will be your trainers for this intensive week-long course.

The dates for this programme have been confirmed as 28 May - 3rd June 2015. For those who are also attending the Fellows Dinner on May 22nd in London, this should help reduce travelling for those who might like to attend both. Space is limited to 10 participants.

This course fills up quickly and all applicants must apply and be approved in advance for the programme. If you are interested in attending please have your most current CV available and contact [Lori Fusello](mailto:Lori.Fusello@dbfederation.org) or visit the [website](http://www.dbfederation.org) for more information.

(Please see sidebar for testimonials from past participants of this programme.)

Profile: Matthias Neuschwander FDBF of Neuschwander Consulting Engineers



We are starting off the new year with this month's profile on Matthias Neuschwander of Neuschwander Consulting Engineers.

With a family history in engineering, as well as a landmark case in one of the first uses of Dispute Boards, he followed in his father's footsteps and continues this legacy in Switzerland and worldwide.

Opening his own consultancy practice in 2014 has been the culmination in a long and successful career in engineering, Dispute Boards and ADR.

To read more about Mr. Neuschwander's journey [click here](#).

Welcome to our Newest Members:



Philip Fidler, FDBF
 Fellow
 Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Chartered Arbitrator, and Accredited Adjudicator
 Country: UK

Expertise: Philip Fidler has been involved in the construction industry since 1966 but latterly as a director of various consultancies specialising in disputes and their avoidance. His projects as a quantity surveyor in the UK and overseas have ranged in value from a few thousand to four hundred million pounds.

Mr. Fidler has practised as an Arbitrator since 1988 with about 70 appointments to date of which the vast majority involved construction matters. These include being the eventual Arbitrator chosen by the parties following the well known Court of Appeal judgment on 7th December 2005 between Collins (Contractors) Ltd and Baltic Quay Management (1994) Ltd.

He has had about 150 appointments as a Construction Adjudicator since his first in 1999. These include a Decision which was the subject of Mr Justice Akenhead's judgment enforcing it in All Metal Roofing versus KAMM Properties Ltd on 7th October 2010. Mr. Fidler has been appointed as Expert Witness on about thirty occasions.



Ijeoma Ononogbu, FDBF
 Fellow
 International Dispute Resolution Solicitor
 Country: UK

Expertise: Ijeoma Ononogbu practises as a litigator, arbitrator and adjudicator and has been involved in a number of high profile cases in international dispute resolution. She is a dual qualified lawyer, having been admitted as a Solicitor and Barrister of the Supreme Court of Nigeria, and as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England & Wales. She also has a Master in Laws (LLM) from Queen Mary, University of London, where she specialised in International Dispute Resolution.

She is passionate about dispute resolution, with interests in litigation, arbitration, mediation, conciliation, negotiation and online dispute resolution (ODR). She is a practising solicitor in London. A Fellow of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Fellow of the National Center for Technology and Dispute Resolution, University of Massachusetts, Amherst USA, Arbitral Women, and London Court of International Arbitration.



James E. Lalumiere, FDBF
 Fellow
 President of PDI (Project Development International)
 Country: USA

Expertise: James Lalumiere is currently responsible for the development and implementation of international infrastructure projects in Africa, Central and South America, and the Caribbean.

He is successfully managing multi-million dollar design-finance-supply-build projects on both sides of the South Atlantic. He is responsible for Owner Representation as well as analysis and preparation, negotiation, mediation and resolution of construction disputes for projects of major concern nationally and internationally.

Mr. Lalumiere is a published author of several articles on Construction Claims Prevention. Accepted as an Expert Witness in Texas, Florida, New Jersey, and Massachusetts courts with specific emphasis on Delay, Disruption, Acceleration, and Lost Productivity related damages.

He founded and directly managed all operations of a construction management consulting firm specializing in providing management support, engineering and estimating services to a wide cross section of the construction industry. Extensive knowledge of project planning and scheduling techniques, particularly in the use of CPM systems.

Mr. Lalumiere has extensive "hands on" experience in large commercial construction as a Project Manager, Technical Supervisor, and Field Engineer for thirty (30) years. Focus of experience is wide ranging: water and wastewater process facilities, bridges, dams, highways, transportation systems, schools, manufacturing facilities, condominium and housing complexes, as well as high and low-rise commercial buildings.



Jeremy Sutcliffe, FDBF
 Fellow
 DipArb MRICS FCI Arb FSI Arb
 Country: UK

Expertise: Jeremy Sutcliffe is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Expert Witness, RICS Panel Adjudicator and practising Arbitrator with over forty years' experience. He has trained with major national and international building and civil engineering contractors and has held regional appointments in both the UK and overseas.

Mr. Sutcliffe has been responsible for overseeing teams of up to twenty Quantity Surveyors. He has been appointed as adjudicator on over 160 occasions and had involvement in 200 adjudications.

He is highly experienced in both preparation and defence of major claims both in the UK and internationally on major civil engineering (including tunnelling), building, process and oil & gas projects. He has had considerable involvement as advocate, expert witness, case manager and as arbitrator in connection with over fifty arbitration cases in the UK, mainland Europe, Middle East as well as the Indian sub-continent.

Mr. Sutcliffe has acted as Single Joint Expert in the UK's TTC on five occasions, as well as extensive experience in the preparation of pleadings in arbitration and acted as advocate in arbitration cases on seven occasions both in UK and overseas. He has extensive knowledge and experience of working with most major forms of contract and first-hand experience of DAB/DRB procedures on a number of large international projects.



Martin Bowdery, QC, FDBF
 Fellow
 Atkin Chambers Barristers
 Country: UK

Expertise: Martin Bowdery practises as an advocate, international arbitrator, mediator and adjudicator in construction and engineering disputes, and has been involved in many of high profile cases in this sector. He appears principally in the High Court, and the Court of Appeal and before various domestic and international arbitral tribunals. He has had numerous appointments as arbitrator or adjudicator. He is a Queen's Counsel and also sits as a Deputy Judge of the Technology and Construction Court and he sits as a Recorder in Civil Actions.

Mr. Bowdery's principal areas of expertise are construction and professional negligence disputes arising out of major capital projects including nuclear, gas and electric power stations, major offshore facilities, bridges, motorways, railways, tunnels, dams, reservoirs, airports, commercial, chemical and other heavy engineering projects, computer systems and commercial buildings of all sorts. He acts for and against all parties to the construction process, including foreign and domestic government departments, owners, employers, architects, engineers, surveyors, project managers, contractors, sub-contractors and insurers. He has extensive experience of adjudication. He has advised and has helped resolve disputes arising from all major forms of building, transport and engineering contracts.

In recent years his practice has mainly been concerned with international commercial arbitration acting for overseas commercial clients and governments in a series of ICC arbitrations or other international arbitrations where the claims have been in excess of \$400 million. His role has been as lead advocate acting with the assistance of teams of foreign and/or English lawyers. These disputes involved complex engineering, insurance and financial issues requiring large numbers of expert witnesses based in many different jurisdictions.

Have Some News For Our Members?



Would you like to highlight any news or events going on in your organization? We would love to share what's happening with our members. Please contact our new publications manager [Lori Fusello](mailto:Lori.Fusello@dbfederation.org) at Lori.Fusello@dbfederation.org with your news!

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