

# The Dispute Board Federation

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## Recent Developments

The DBF just completed its 9th FTIP Programme. Twenty-two people were initially selected for this grueling 6 day, 10 hour per day training programme that gets its title "*Total Immersion*" from the fact that the participants virtually live, eat and breathe FIDIC Contracts for the whole of the 6 days, and dine with their Trainers each day for all meals. This coupled with having 4-5 trainers each day for the programme gives this course a unique appeal and gives the participants the maximum learning experience in FIDIC Contracts. Of the twenty-two people selected for the "short-list" of participants, 8 finally qualified and 6 completed the programme successfully. Congratulations to all of those who participated and successfully completed the Programme.

Next month the DBF will open registration for the 2011 FTIP *Total Immersion* Programme and details will be sent out to all interested parties including those currently on the waiting list for 2011.

In other matters new programmes and events are being planned for the next 6 months which will include more social events in regional centres around the world for members and their guests, and a "Road Show" showcasing DBF and its activities in the main regions where the DBF operates i.e. Europe, the Middle East and North Africa, Asia, and the Orient.

A point of interest to our members and friends is that despite the Global economic situation the DBF has seen a major increase in Membership applications from around the world. In this regard we are pleased to welcome those individuals who seek a truly international based organisation as a place to network and to share their ideas, goals and thoughts both as to Dispute Boards and also as to ADR in developing countries.

## Featured Events and Continuing Professional Development Units

### 2011

There are several new programmes and events being planned for the New Year.

Programmes include Claims, The Use of Witnesses in DAB Hearings, DAB Advocacy & Procedures.

Starting in 2011 we will also have regular DAB Member Briefings from the World Bank, the EBRD, The Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Islamic Development Bank.

On a social and networking note we will have our Professional Member-Guest Dinners to be scheduled in London, Dubai, Singapore, Santiago, Stockholm, Beijing, Istanbul, Bogota, and Sarajevo.

Also to be planned is an International Golf Tournament networking event for Development Bankers, Contractors, and DAB professionals to be at St. Andrews, Scotland.

For a full listing please go to our website  
[www.dbfederation.org](http://www.dbfederation.org)

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## **DBF Publishing**

The DBF is pleased to announce the formation of its own publishing house and the availability of its facilities for the publishing of scholarly works relating to Dispute Boards, ADR, The Construction Process, Procurement and similar subjects. Future issues of this Newsletter will highlight this new publishing venture and will outline submission formats and other related details for prospective authors..

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