Welcome to this twenty-second edition of the FCCE Bulletin.

It is hard to believe that after a very busy and productive couple of weeks, November has now come to an end. This has been a month that has been jam-packed with high-level meetings, webinars and another FIDIC-hosted conference.

A few days ago, we completed the FIDIC’s Official International Contract Users’ Conference in London, United Kingdom. The event which was held from 28 – 29 November 2022, was considered by many to be a major success. With over 200 attendees from England and around the world, the conference had many industry leaders meeting and discussing with legal professionals, financial experts, and contracts practitioners. Various workshops and forums were also held during the conference and these provided dedicated space for more in-depth consideration of specific issues, including on dispute boards, claims, contract management and the 2022 reprints on the FIDIC Suite of Contracts.

The event was opened by the FIDIC President, Mr Anthony Barry, while Professor John Uff, Chair of the FCL’s Certification board gave a keynote address and shared his views on the future of the industry given the many challenges we are currently facing. Several key infrastructure leaders and experts also spoke during the various sessions and shared their experiences.

Some of the key themes discussed included net zero and sustainability and the future of contracts. Publications was also a main consideration with the 2022 update on the FIDIC Suite of contracts (2017 editions) and the launch of the FIDIC Contracts Guide 2022 also
took central stage. These important publications have been a long time coming and we are proud to have been able to officially launch these editions in an online format at the conference.

During the gala dinner on 28 November, several awards were handed out to members of the infrastructure industry. The Chair of the judging panel, Sir Vivian Ramsey praised the high quality of entries. This awards ceremony is now in its fourth year of running and we are pleased that this year, from the initial shortlisted companies, four categories of awards were delivered to the outstanding winners. Emeritus Professor of Engineering Law at King’s College, Professor Uff also received an award for his outstanding contribution and leadership of the FIDIC Credentialing Certification board.

To conclude, I am taking this opportunity to once again encourage all the FCCE graduates, our stakeholders and partners, to continue to engage with FIDIC and the FCS team in Beijing, and to participate in our events, including the upcoming webinar series which will be taking place online in December. The next in the series will be the State of the World report which will focus on combatting corruption.
Spotlighting the delivery of industry best practice training at the latest FIDIC webinar

The latest event in FIDIC’s webinar series took place on 15 November 2022 and was a special event organised by FIDIC’s membership committee and directors and secretaries’ advisory council which looked at how FIDIC members - and also their member firms - can benefit from FIDIC’s best practice training services and the difference those make to the industry, nationally and internationally.

Developing global best practice skills in the industry event was chaired by Chris Campbell, chair of the FIDIC directors and secretaries’ advisory council and CEO of Consulting Engineers South Africa. Speakers at the webinar included Enni Soetanto from Indonesia, chair of the FIDIC membership committee and CEO of Mott MacDonald, João Recena, vice president of ABCE, FIDIC’s member association in Brazil, LaToya Ouna, a member of the FIDIC Future Leaders Advisory Council from Kenya and Michael Broadley, the general manager of FIDIC Academy, based in Switzerland.

Introducing the webinar, FIDIC president Tony Barry said that he was grateful to FIDIC’s membership committee and the directors and secretaries’ advisory council for organising the event. “Both of these important bodies have a key liaison role with FIDIC’s member associations around the world and these member associations play a crucial role in representing the interests of the consulting engineering industry on a global scale,” said Barry.

As the global representative body for these national member associations of consulting engineers, representing over one million engineering professionals and 40,000 firms in more than 100 countries worldwide, FIDIC and its member associations play an increasingly influential role on the world scale.

Click here for full details of this webinar.

New FIDIC workshop on decision risk management for engineers

FIDIC has partnered with software company, Riskwell, to deliver a new online workshop, entitled, An Introduction to Decision Risk Management for Engineers. The two-and-a-half-hour workshop will take place on Wednesday, 14 December 2022 at 2pm CET, will focus on introductory concepts of risk management, tailored towards the engineering business environment. Attendees will gain insights into the purpose and framing of the topic and will learn about real-world examples from the workshop leader, an expert in the field, who will provide a concise introduction to risk management, as well as share their experiences to better clarify and breathe life into the theoretical concepts covered. The workshop is aimed at engineering, consulting and other professionals who are looking to build their knowledge in the risk management field.
Specialist workshop on FIDIC contracts
A new specialist one-day workshop will give users a better understanding of the contractual entitlements provided by the FIDIC General Conditions of Contract and their legal merits in different project environments, particularly in claims situations. On Wednesday, 7 December 2022, Pitfalls and Deadlocks: A Golden Collection of Case Studies from Expert Practitioners will identify some of the numerous contractual issues that may arise during the execution of FIDIC Conditions of Contract and provide attendees with advanced knowledge and understanding of some of the practical issues usually addressed when dealing with construction claims, with insights and knowledge-sharing from experienced FIDIC practitioners. Due to the unique structure of the workshop which will offer access to real-life situations encountered by international experts on FIDIC, the hands-on knowledge that will be acquired by participants will be unrivalled by any other course. It truly is an opportunity not to be missed for anyone working with, or interested in using, FIDIC contracts. Advance booking is highly recommended.

For more details about Specialist workshop, please click this link.

Overview of December FIDIC webinar series
The webinars programme for 2022 has been organised in conjunction with FIDIC’s standing committees, councils or panels of experts, while others are to launch FIDIC’s State of the World report series. The 2022 webinar series is a mainstay of FIDIC’s stakeholder outreach and engagement activity. All events are free to attend, and attendees will benefit from knowledgeable top-level panelists speaking on some of the key issues facing the industry today.

FIDIC’s December webinar series include:

1. State of the World webinar:
   Theme: Working together to combat corruption in the global construction industry
   Time: Friday, 9 December 2022, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CET)
   Language: English

2. FIDIC Committee/Council webinar:
   Theme: Safety, sanctions and solutions - Mitigating the impact of working in disaster and conflict zones
   Time: Tuesday, 13 December 2022, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CET)
   Language: English

3. Contracts webinar:
Theme: Impact of Covid-19 on projects – pandemic or endemic, where are we now?
Time: Thursday, 15 December 2022, 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CET)
Language: English

FCCEs who register for the above webinars can also accumulate credit hours for optional activities. For more details on FIDIC webinar series, please click this link.
FIDIC global news and events
For further information on the conference, events and training being organised by FIDIC, please consult the links provided below:

a. CEO’s update: Issue 28

https://fidic.org/node/37444

b. FIDIC’s upcoming conferences:

https://fidic.org/events

c. Information on upcoming training courses:

https://fidic.org/training

d. Information of the FIDIC certification programmes: (FCL)

https://fcl.fidic.org/programmes
Website and social media links

a. FCS website link: [https://china.fidic.org/zh-hant/](https://china.fidic.org/zh-hant/)

b. FCS WeChat link:

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