

ETEK, CIARB and CYACE present the Conference:

"ADR in FIDIC Contracts and the Cyprus perspective"

Tuesday 24th April 2018, Union of Cyprus Journalism, Nicosia, Cyprus

The purpose of the conference is the presentation of the FIDIC suite of contracts with emphasis on the Alternative Dispute Resolution used in the contracts with a parallel comparison of the Cyprus perspective. The main speaker of the conference will be the guru of the FIDIC contracts Mr. Edward Corbett. The conference will also be honoured by the presence of his Excellency the Auditor General of the Republic of Cyprus Dr. Odysseas Michaelides who will address a speech.

The conference will be under the auspices of his Excellency the Attorney General of the Republic of Cyprus Mr. Costas Clerides.

Keynote speakers:

Mr. Costas Clerides - Attorney General of the Republic of Cyprus, Dr. Odysseas Micahelides - Auditor General of the republic of Cyprus, Mr. Edward Corbett - Director of Corbett & Co, Lawyers / FIDIC Expert, Mr. Stelios Achniotis -President of ETEK, Mr. Andrew Demetriou – President of CIArb Cyprus Branch and Mr. Andreas Theodotou – President of CYACE.

Audience:

The Forum is aimed for Practitioners and Corporate leaders, members of the Judiciary, Lawyers, Barristers, Commercial, Financial and Shipping Directors Experts on ADR and Arbitration, members of Arbitral institutions.

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Introduction

The International Federation of Consulting Engineers, commonly known as FIDIC, is an international standards organization for the consulting engineering & construction best known for the FIDIC family of contract templates.

The key ingredient for their success as industry standard lies in their balanced approach to the roles and responsibilities of the main parties, as well as the allocation and management of risk. They have recently been revised in December 2017

Traditionally Construction Contracts have been using Alternative Dispute Resolution for settling their disputes.

In Cyprus the private and public contracts mainly use Arbitration as the method of resolving their disputes.

Since 1995 FIDIC contracts introduced the idea of Dispute Boards, which replaced the idea of the Engineer's decision. Data available from the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation suggests that the average speed of Dispute Resolution using boards is about 56 days and that 98% of disputes are successfully resolved at board level⁻

Objectives

The centerpiece of this flagship Conference will be the launch of 'ADR in FIDIC Contracts and the Cyprus perspective'. The main goal is to inform stakeholders in the field of FIDIC Contracts and ADR on the new development of the contracts with emphasis on the ADR procedure.

Who should attend?

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Conference Details

Tuesday 24th April 2018, Union of Cyprus Journalism, Nicosia Presentations will be in English The full programme is given below

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATIONS

ETEK (ETEK – www.etek.org.cy) is the statutory Technical Advisor to the State and is the umbrella organization for all engineers in Cyprus. The practice of the Engineering Profession in Cyprus and the use of the relevant titles are limited to people who register with ETEK. Registration with the Chamber (current members exceed 12.000) is possible, provided that the strict criteria set by the law are satisfied, enabling provision of quality service to the public. Limited liability companies (LLC) can also register with ETEK. The Technical Chamber of Cyprus strongly supports the promotion and facilitation of alternative dispute resolution (ADR) processes that work in the public interest and may enhance economic growth. In that context and while the Chamber's Arbitration Centre was already operating according to the article 5 of the Law 224/1990 that established ETEK as the statutory technical advisor to the State, the Chamber has founded in 2017 the ADR Centre of ETEK. The ETEK ADR Centre aims to offer high quality ADR services (arbitration, adjudication, mediation) in the whole spectrum of the engineering practice, to promote the use of ADR to its members and the general public, and to offer training services in the field of ADR. The Centre, situated in old city of Nicosia, follows international quality standards and provides, among other things, Arbitration and Adjudication Regulations, which define the processes followed by ETEK, as well as Code of Ethics for ETEK arbitrators and adjudicators.



The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Cyprus Branch was founded in 1976 and has 97 members. It is also an approved provider of the Institute's Courses and provides courses for all levels of CIArb membership.

• The Institute exists for the global promotion, facilitation and development of all forms of private dispute resolution to maximise the contribution that dispute resolution practitioners make.

In addition to providing education and training for arbitrators, mediators and adjudicators, the Institute acts as an international centre for practitioners, policy makers, academics and those in business concerned with the cost-effective and early settlement of disputes. This gives users confidence that the very best people are helping to resolve their dispute.

The diversity of cultures and practices across the continent and other countries around Cyprus enables the Branch to bring together a unique mixture of dispute resolution methods, practices and experiences.



Cyprus Association of Civil Engineers (CYACE) was founded in 1992 and today has more than 2000 members.

It is managed by the Central Board of Directors, which is consisted by eleven members, elected by the General Assembly every two years. The Association is also organized at District level, with four (4) Local Provincial Departments.

The goals of the foundation of CYACE include, among others, the promotion of Civil Engineering science, strengthen the role of Civil Engineers in Cyprus, protection of the profession of Civil Engineers, promotion, support the honor and dignity of the profession and education and training of Civil Engineers. CYACE is a member of the following organizations:

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- European Council of Civil Engineers (ECCE)
- European Civil Engineering Education & Training Association (EUCEET)
- European Federation of National Engineering Associations Engineering (FEANI)
- International Safety and Health Construction Coordinators Organization (ISHCCO)
- World Council of Civil Engineers (WCCE)
- International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC)
- International Federation of Structural Concrete (FIB)

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PROGRAMME

08.00 - 8:30	Coffee/Registration
8:30 – 09:30	Welcoming Addresses and Speeches from the Chairs of ETEK – Mr. Stelios Achniotis, CIArb Cyprus Branch – Mr. Andrew Demetriou, CYACE – Mr. Andreas Theodotou
	Address from the Auditor General of the Republic of Cyprus – Dr. Odysseas Michaelides
	Opening Key Note speech: The Honorary Attorney General of the Republic of Cyprus – Mr. Costas Clerides

First Session: Moderator: Dr. Odysseas Michaelides

09:30 – 09:50	Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in the Construction Industry: History – Advantages and Disadvantages Speaker: Mr. Platonas Stylianou
09:50- 10:20	An Overview of the FIDIC Contracts Speaker: Mr. Edward Corbett
10:20- 10:50	What is new in the FIDIC 2017 Contracts Speaker: Mr. Edward Corbett
10:50- 11.00	Discussion
11:00- 11.20	Break

Second Session: Moderator: Mr. Varnavas Lambrou

11.20 - 11.50	ADR in FIDIC Contracts DAB, DRB, CDB
	Speaker: Mr. Edward Corbett
11.50 - 12.20	Dispute Resolution in the Public Contracts
	Speaker: Dr. Odysseas Michaelides – Auditor General of the Republic of Cyprus
12.20 – 12.50	The strengths and weaknesses of the ADR Procedure in the Public Contracts
	Speaker: Mr. Andrew Demetriou – Chair of CIArb
12.50 - 13.10	Dispute Resolution in the Private Contracts in Cyprus
	Speaker: Mr. Nicos Elia – Fellow Arbitrator, Chartered Surveyor, Lawyer
13.10 - 13.25	Discussion
13.25 - 14.00	Lunch/ Cocktail

Third Session: Moderator: Mr. Polyvios Panayides

14.00 - 14.25	How the Judiciary should or could support the new ADR Procedure in the Construction Contracts Speaker: Mr. Stavros Pavlou
14.25 - 14.50	Judiciary support the International Experience Speaker: Mr. Edward Corbett
[Debate: ADR a valuable method for handling disputes or a waste of time
	Coordinator Mrs. Anna Iacovou Stylianou
14.50 - 15.30	Pannel: Dr. Odysseas Michaelides, Mr. Edward Corbett, Mrs Anna Iacovou Stylianou, Mr. Andrew Demetriou, Mr. Platonas Stylianou, Mr. Nicos Elia, Mr. Stavros Pavlou, Mr. George Ioannou

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Speakers' Biographies













Mr. Costas Clerides – Attorney General of Cyprus

Mr. Costas Clerides studied law in London and was called to the Bar at the Middle Temple. After his return to Cyprus he practiced law years as a partner in the law firm "Lefkos Clerides and Sons". He published articles in the local press and in legal periodicals on subjects of legal and social interest. In 1988 he was appointed District Judge and was promoted to Senior District Judge in 1996. I elected Secretary of the Cyprus Judges Association. In 1997 he was promoted to District Court President. He served as the President Limassol Assize Court, Administrative President of the Larnaca-Famagusta District Court and, since 2008, Administrative President Nicosia-Kyrenia District Court. He represented Cyprus in various international and European conferences. He was appointed to the Su Court on 27 April 2009. On 16 September 2013 Costas Clerides sworn as the new attorney general of Cyprus.

Dr. Odysseas Michaelides, Auditor General of the Republic

Dr Odysseas Ph. Michaelides is the Auditor General of the Republic of Cyprus. He is a Civil Engineer graduate and has also got a Doctorate in Civil Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens. He is also a gratuate in Economics and Political Sciences of the University of Athens. In 1998 Dr Michaelides was appointed to the position of Audit Officer in the Department of Control (Audit) of the Ministry of Communications and Works, and in June 2010 was appointed Director of Control. On 11 April 2014 he was appointed by the President of the Republic of Cyprus as Auditor General of the Republic. He specializes on public procurement and he is the editor of the Model Contract Terms that have been adopted by the competent authority for public procurement for use in public work contracts. He is a member of the ETEK (Technical Chamber of Cyprus) and of the European Federation of National Engineering Associations (FEANI).

Mr. Edward Corbett

Edward is the managing director of Corbett & Co. He is acknowledged as one of the world's most experienced international construction lawyers with an unsurpassed reputation as a FIDIC expert. His expertise is recognised with his ranking as a leading individual in Chambers UK 2016 – Construction: International Arbitration UK-wide. After reading law at Oxford University, he qualified as a barrister and practised for a short while before joining Masons in 1984. He was admitted as a solicitor in 1988. He has an MSc in Construction Law and Arbitration from King's College and is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He has conducted advocacy both in arbitration and DAB proceedings. He also has experience as an arbitrator and adjudicator on both UK and international disputes. He is an accredited mediator. He is on FIDIC's lists of mediators and adjudicators and is trained as a TeCSA adjudicator. He has experience in all forms of construction contract. Edward is the author of FIDIC 4th – A Practical Legal Guide and many articles and papers dealing with aspects of international construction contracts. He is also on the Editorial Board of Construction Law International (CLInt). He has lectured extensively on construction law and in particular on FIDIC's standard forms of contract.

Mr. Andrew Demetriou, Chartered Arbitrator, member of the International Panel of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the Chairman of CIArb Cyprus Branch, Director, Ioannides Demetriou LLC, Cyprus

Andrew Demetriou is a Barrister, Chartered Arbitrator, member of the International Panel of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the Chairman of CIArb Cyprus Branch. He is a Director of the law firm IOANNIDES DEMETRIOU LLC, with offices in Nicosia and Limassol.

He provides legal services in numerous international and local companies, organisations, state and public companies, including the Electricity Authority of Cyprus, the Federation of Associations of Building Contractors Cyprus (O.S.E.O.K.), the Cyprus Forest Industries, the University of Cyprus, Hermes Airports Ltd and the Health Insurance Organisation. He also acted as the legal advisor of the Ministry of Energy, Commerce, Industry and Tourism for the hydrocarbon exploration, extraction and production sharing contracts entered into by the Republic of Cyprus.

Mr. Platonas Stylianou, Chartered Engineer, Fellow Arbitrator

He is a Chartered Engineer with a Post Graduate Degree in Arbitration, a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and an Accredited Mediator for Trade Issues (registered under Law No. 159 (I) 2012).

He is an active Civil / Structural Engineer and act regularly as Arbitrator and Adjudicator. He is the managing partner / founder in a Civil and Structural Engineering Consultants office in Nicosia, Cyprus providing services for structural design, retrofitting and/or conservation of existing structures, restoration of Monuments and Traditional Buildings, as well as supervision, project management and ADR Services.

He is a member of the Cyprus Joint Construction Contracts Tribunal (CyJCCT - MEDSK). He served as the Chairman of the committee and was the main writer of the "ETEK Arbitration Rules" Group, and a member of the ETEK, Code of Ethics, writing Team. He participates in various International committees and represents Cyprus in ECCE, FIB and FIDIC.

He was a member of the Disciplinary Board of ETEK from 2005 to 2014, President of Platform 1 of the Disciplinary Board of the ETEK from 2011 to 2014 and from 2014 is an elected member of the ETEK General Council. Firstly elected in 2014 to 2017 and then re-elected from 2017 until 2020. He was the President of the Cyprus Civil Engineers Association (CyACE) for two consecutive tenures from 2013 to 2015 and from 2015 to 2017 and the General Secretary of Cyprus Civil Engineers and Architects Association (CCEAA).

Mrs Anna Iacovou Stylianou, Chartered Surveyor, Registered Chartered Arbitrator

Anna lacovou Stylianou is a Registered Chartered Arbitrator, Accredited Mediator, Negotiator and Chartered Quantity Surveyor. She has a wide experience as a consultant in the construction industry and a wide experience as a dispute resolver. She is a partner of AISM MANAGEMENT LTD, a Chartered Surveying Firm, specializing on dispute resolution services and surveying services associated with the built environment and property. She acts as Experts Witness, Arbitrator and Mediator for local and International Disputes. AISM Management Ltd is an approved training provider of HRDA Cyprus.

She was the past Chair person of CIArb Cyprus and also participates actively in the board of several other associations. She acts as a tutor and examiner of RICS, ETEK, CIArb. She is an approved tutor and examiner of the HRDA Cyprus.

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Mr. Stavros Pavlou, Senior & Managing Partner, Patrikios Pavlou & Associates LLC

Stavros Pavlou is the Senior & Managing Partner of Patrikios Pavlou & Associates LLC, a Fellow of CIArb and the Honorary Secretary of CIArb Cyprus Branch. He has a vast experience in litigation and arbitration and an impressive portfolio of client representation in complex dispute resolution matters, including judicial and arbitration proceedings in the courts of Cyprus and internationally. His transnational capabilities are substantial as he has handled commercial disputes in arbitration courts in Cyprus and abroad. His clients include major international organizations, groups of companies, banks and high-net-worth individuals. Among many other professional memberships, Stavros led the firm in becoming a member of the Russian Arbitration Association. He has actively participated and spoken in seminars and conferences in Cyprus and abroad and has authored numerous articles in various international publications. Stavros is repeatedly listed as a recommended lawyer and leading individual in dispute resolution in Cyprus by international legal directories and he is praised as one of the top litigators on the island.

George Ioannou, Head of Property & Construction, George Z. Georgiou & Associates LLC

George studied Law at the University of Leicester, England and is a holder of an LL.M in Construction Law from the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, Scotland and a B.Sc. in International Relations/Political Science which he obtained during his studies at the University of Aegean in Rhodes, Greece. He was called to the Cyprus and Nicosia Bar in 2010. He is also a certified insolvency practitioner.

George litigates and arbitrates on a regular basis on areas which involve Property and Construction Law. George also participates in arbitration proceedings and applies alternative dispute resolution methods in construction law disputes. He regularly writes articles for local newspapers and international legal publications and has recently delivered a series of eight seminars on Construction Law to professionals. In the last years, George represents the Cyprus Association of Civil Engineers (CYACE) and provides legal advice in matters related to the Association and its members.



Mr Nicos Elia

Nicos is a Chartered Quantity Surveyor, Member of the Cyprus Barristers Association, Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and CEDR Accredited Mediator. With 34 years of experience in the sector, he has a proven track record of providing exemplary levels of consulting and dispute resolution services to the construction industry. He worked as a Quantity Surveyor, Claims Management Consultant and Lawyer, specialising in Construction Law. In addition, he has acted as an Expert Witness, Arbitrator, Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB) and Mediator on major construction and engineering disputes. He is the founder and director of the boutique law firm Nicos M. Elia LLC, which specialises in construction law and provides services to local and international companies.

He has extensive experience as a trainer of construction professionals on matters relating to construction law, contract administration, claims preparation and dispute resolution. He currently lectures at the University of Central Lancashire (Cyprus Campus) on Arbitration courses for professionals.