



#### THE CHANGING FACE OF **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

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### **Major Projects**



- Yellow River Hydro Electric Scheme in
  - China
- Hong Kong International Airport







### **Major Projects**



 LNG Gas Plant Bonny Island Nigeria







#### **Mission Statement**



- To understand how Dispute Resolution is changing in the global market place
- Correctly establish risk management procedures to avoid disputes
- Manage the successful resolution of those disputes



### **Paper Summary**



- Alternative Procurement Strategies
- Legal Framework
- Main types of Contract
- Traditional Types of Dispute Resolution
- Alternative Types of Dispute Resolution



# Alternative Procurement Strategies



- Traditional
- Design and Build
- Turn Key EPC
- Financed
- Cost Plus (Management/CM/Target Cost)



### Legal Framework



- Form of Contract
- Law of the Contract
- Contract Language
- Location for Dispute Resolution







# Main Forms of Contract



- FIDIC Federation Internationale des Ingenieurs Conseils
- EPC Engineering Procurement Construction
- ICE Institution of Civil Engineers
- JCT Joint Contracts Tribunal
- PFI Private Finance Initiative
- PPP Public Private Partnership
- ECC Engineering and Construction Contract
- BOT Build Operate Transfer
- DBFO Design Build Finance Operate



### **Traditional Types of Dispute Resolution**



- Court of Law
- Arbitration



# Alternative Types of Dispute Resolution



- Mediation
- Adjudication
- Expert Determination
- Dispute Review Boards DRB
- Independent Dispute Avoidance Panel



#### Mediation



- Parties meet with Mediator 1 or 2 days
- · Both Parties put case
- · Mediator meets with Parties separately
- · Persuades Parties to settlement
- · Mediator doesn't divulge own position



### Adjudication



- Housing Grants, Construction and Regeneration Act 1996
- Parties can request appointment of Adjudicator
- Appointment and Referral within 7 days
- Decision within 28 days of Referral



### **Dispute Review Board**



 Yellow River Hydro Electric Scheme in China



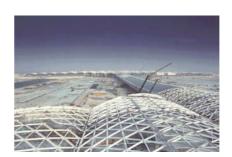
- Panel of 3 persons
- Met bi-monthly over 2 years
- Total claims US\$400 million claim



### **Dispute Review Panel**



- Dispute Review Panel
  Hong Kong – 6 leading members
  - **International Airport**
- Met every 3 months
- · Resulted in settlement by Parties

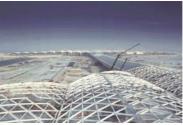




### Hong Kong



- Hong Kong Airport
  - Dispute Review Panel
- Hong Kong Infrastructure Projects
  - Mediation
  - Adjudication
  - Arbitration







# FIG Court Procedures in the UK



- Civil Procedure Rules
- Pre-Action Protocol
  - Exchange of Information
  - Attempt to Reach Settlement
  - Efficient Management of Proceedings
- Expert Determination



## FIG London Olympics 2012



- Independent Dispute Avoidance Panel
- 10 Leading Industry **Figures**





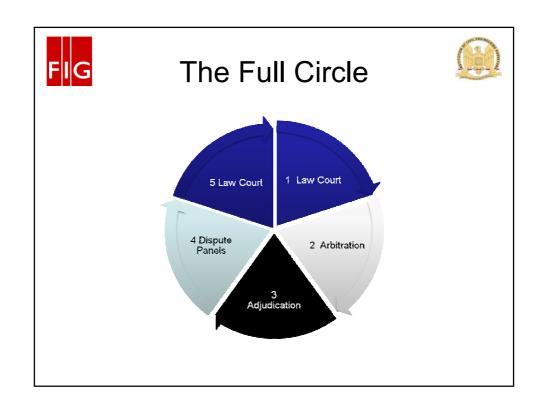


### Dubai - Middle East



- Dubai Sharia Law
- · New Free Zone
- Dubai International Financial Centre DIFC
- Own Civil and Commercial Laws
- Based on UNCITRAL Model Arbitration Law







# The Changing Face of Dispute Resolution





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