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Dispute Resolution Board Foundation selected to support FIDIC's newly established certification body FIDIC Credentialing Limited with the launch of adjudicators' expansion programme

The Dispute Resolution Board Foundation (DRBF) is pleased to announce the signing of an agreement with the certification body FIDIC Credentialing Limited (FCL) to support FCL's adjudicators' programme. The goal is to significantly increase the number of skilled and experienced dispute adjudicators providing dispute resolution and/or avoidance services under FIDIC Contracts.

"Both FIDIC and DRBF anticipate an increase in demand for skilled Dispute Avoidance and Adjudication Board members worldwide," said Andrew Griffiths, DRBF Executive Board President. "The DRBF is committed to providing all the assistance it can to the FCL to assure that the President's List's reputation for excellence is maintained through the expansion programme."

Under the terms of the memorandum of agreement, the DRBF will nominate Dispute Board experts to sit on the new FCL's writing and examination committees for new adjudicator assessments programme and provide a continuing professional development training programme for the approved adjudicators on the FIDIC President's List. The first programs will begin in early 2021.

"We are very hopeful that this will create many more opportunities for a much broader Dispute Board constituency and we very much look forward to working with FIDIC over the months and years to come," said Griffiths. "On behalf of DRBF, my thanks go to DRBF leaders, notably James Perry, Leo Grutters and Peter Collie, for this achievement."

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About the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation (DRBF)

The Dispute Resolution Board Foundation (DRBF) is a non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting the avoidance and resolution of disputes worldwide using the unique and proven Dispute Board method. The DRBF provides assistance with the worldwide application of the Dispute Board method by providing training, advice and suggestions tailored for the conditions and practices existing in project areas. See www.drb.org

About FIDIC

FIDIC, the International Federation of Consulting Engineers, is the global representative body for national associations of consulting engineers and represents over one million engineering professionals and 40,000 firms in more than 100 countries worldwide. The buildings and infrastructure sector in which FIDIC members work contributes around US\$36trillion to global GDP.

FIDIC has ongoing agreements with the following multilateral development banks to use the FIDIC suite of Contracts (2017 and 1997 editions) – Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank, African Development Bank, Islamic Development Bank, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, World Bank, Inter-American Development Bank and the Caribbean Development Bank. See www.fidic.org.

About FCL

FIDIC Credentialing Ltd (FCL) was established in Geneva, Switzerland by FIDIC as an independent body to offer certification and professional development services to various professionals and infrastructure industry experts wishing to broaden their scope of knowledge and expertise.