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Dispute Resolution Board Foundation

The DRBF provides assistance with the worldwide application of the Dispute Board method by providing advice and suggestions tailored for the conditions and practices existing in project areas. The rapid spread of the process worldwide has resulted in the process being used on more than \$270 billion worth of construction projects, achieving avoidance of numerous disputes and delivering significant savings.

CICA & DRBF Webinar: The Use of Dispute Boards in the Covid-19 Era

July 28th, 2020 from 1pm UTC

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Teleconference via Zoom

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12.45pm (UTC): Platform opening

1pm – 1.10pm (UTC): Introductory Remarks by Yasemin Cetinel (Member of the DRBF Region 2 Board of Directors) & Emre Aykar (CICA President)

1.10pm – 1.30pm (UTC): Discussion about Virtual DB Meetings and Site Visits

1.30pm – 1.50pm (UTC): Discussion about Virtual DB Hearings

1.50pm – 2.10pm (UTC): Handling COVID19 crisis in a newly established board versus a board running for some time

2.10pm – 2.30pm (UTC): Questions & Answers

2.30pm (UTC): End of the Webinar



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Webinar Speakers

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Emre Aykar, CICA President

Mr. Emre Aykar, born 1946 in İstanbul, is currently Partner and Board Member of Yapı Merkezi Construction. After studying in Lycee de Galatasaray he received his BSC degree in Civil Engineering from Robert College in 1971 and MSC Degree in Structural Engineering from Bosphorus University in 1973. Mr. Aykar was Project Manager, Vice President, CEO and Chairman in Yapı Merkezi Construction until 2014. He is also Board Member of Subor GRP Pipe Production Company and Chairman of Freysaş, Freyssinet Yapı Sistemleri, both subsidiaries of Yapı Merkezi Group.



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Yasemin Cetinel, Member of the DRBF Region 2 Board of Directors

Yasemin Cetinel is a graduate of Galatasaray University, Faculty of Law and she holds a post-graduate diploma on International Commercial Arbitration from University of London Queen Mary and Westfield College. She is registered before the İstanbul Bar Association. She founded Çetinel Law Firm early 2011. Her area of practice covers mainly international commercial and investment arbitration as well as public procurement matters and international construction law.



Andy Griffiths, President of the DRBF Executive Board of Directors

Andy has over 40 years post-graduate experience, particularly in construction management, contract law, claims adjudication and large-scale engineering projects in the water sector. He has been involved in numerous disputes, either as a DB member or as the Engineer; as well as Adjudicator, Mediator or Arbitrator.





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Leo Grutters, President of the DRBF Region 2 Board of Directors

Civil Engineer and Dispute Resolution Expert with more than 30 years of professional experience. Currently serving on Dispute Boards involving international infrastructural projects. Leo Grutters holds an MBA and is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators. He is a regular speaker at international events. He conducts training and coaching events on the entire FIDIC Rainbow Suite of Contracts, as well as other construction management related topics.



Paul Taggart, Past President of the DRBF Executive Board of Directors

35 years in the construction industry in contract management (25 years in international contract management on major civil infrastructure and building works), on the administration and interpretation of contracts, risk identification and contract negotiation, successful management and resolution of complex time and money disputes totalling US\$ 5.6 Billion. Arbitration case management and pleadings, Dispute Board case management and submissions. Arbitrator and DB adjudicator.

