Session 1—Recent Developments in relation to the Security of Payment Act
Session 2—A Collaborative approach to Managing Projects & Claims
Session 3—Challenges for Non-Lawyers Adjudicators

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1.30pm  Registration

2.00pm  Opening Remarks by Chairman  
- Lee Keng Seng, CPD Committee Member  
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2.10pm  (Session 1) Recent Developments in relation to the Security of Payment Act  
- Christopher Chuah, Partner, Head—Infrastructure, Construction and Engineering Practice  
  WongPartnership LLP

2.30pm  Tea Break cum Networking

3.50pm  (Session 2) A Collaborative approach to Managing Projects & Claims  
- Anil Changaroth, Director, CHANGAROTH CHAMBERS LLC

4.30pm  (Session 3) Challenges for Non-Lawyers Adjudicators  
- Christopher Nunns, Managing Director, FTI Consulting

5.00pm  Questions & Answers Session  
  Panelist: Lee Keng Seng  
  Christopher Chuah  
  Anil Changaroth  
  Christopher Nunns

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Lee Keng Seng is a Director (Quantity Surveying) at Surbana Jurong Consultant Pte Ltd and a member of Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers. He holds a Bachelor of Science (Building), NUS, Graduate Diploma in Business Administration, SIM and also a Master degree in Construction Economics and Management from University College London, United Kingdom.

As a practitioner, Keng Seng has over 25 years experience, in various roles and capacities for developers, consultants and contractor, in the areas of cost and contracts management for development and construction projects of different types, size and complexities. He led and supervises QS teams in the provision of multi-disciplinary design and QS consultancy services. In addition, he has also undertaken and responsible for various roles in feasibility studies, design management, procurement management, project management and facilities management for projects of different nature and scale.

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Session 1
Recent Developments in relation to the Security of Payment Act

In this presentation, the speaker will examine recent case law which affects adjudication proceedings under the Security of Payment Act. This area of the law continues to remain dynamic and responsive to the evolving construction environment.

The cases touch on a wide spectrum of issues affecting the industry including provisions concerning termination and rights post termination and how parties should deal with jurisdictional objections to payment claims and adjudication applications.

Industry players like developers, consultants and contractors would benefit from keeping abreast of the latest developments which will help them to avoid some of the pitfalls in drafting and administration of construction contracts.

Christopher Chuah heads the Infrastructure, Construction & Engineering Practice and is a Partner in the China and Myanmar Practices. His main areas of practice encompass both front-end drafting/advice and construction disputes (including FIDIC standards), both litigation and arbitration. He is a leading light in the field of building and construction law and has authored various books on this subject. He is one of the General Editors of the Singapore Construction Adjudication Review.

Christopher has acted as leading counsel in numerous reported landmark cases on construction law including acting for Mer Vue Developments Pte. Ltd., the developers of The Seaview Condominium, in a landmark High Court decision that clarifies the extent and scope of the liability of the developer, main contractor and architect in a claim for building defects. We successfully defended tortious claims made by the Management Corporation Strata Title Plan No. 3322 for alleged defects in the development amounting to approximately S$32 million; Asplenium Land Pte. Ltd., a developer in respect of a residential project, in a landmark Court of Appeal decision on the enforceability of a contractual clause limiting an employer’s right to restrain a call on a performance bond against a main contractor who was terminated. This landmark decision by the Court of Appeal would mean that it is now possible for employers to exclude or limit the grounds for an injunction to fraud only in the case of unconditional bonds; Kimly Construction Pte. Ltd. in a successful claim against the subcontractor arising from the collapse of a tower crane at the National University of Singapore; a Singapore-listed construction company involved in a payment dispute with the owner of Park Regis Singapore and in proceedings involving an application for injunction to restrain payment of a performance bond; and a developer defending claims for defects in common property, brought by the management corporation of an upmarket condominium in Singapore. He has also acted for subcontractors, main contractors and developers in numerous arbitration disputes both domestic and international.

In infrastructure/projects, Christopher has been involved in acting for Changi Airport Group (Singapore) Pte. Ltd. in two major infrastructure projects being undertaken at Changi Airport, Singapore – Project Jewel which is a S$1.47 billion project for the development, construction, lease and management of the iconic aviation-related mixed-use complex at Changi Airport; and in the development of Terminal 4 at Changi Airport on the site of the former Budget Terminal. When completed, Project Jewel and Terminal 4 will boost Changi Airport’s handling capacity and augment its position as a leading global air hub.

Session 2
A Collaborative approach to Managing Projects & Claims

Anil will review some of the issues that arise in managing projects and claims and consider a Collaborative approach at dealing with these so that disputes are avoided from the onset
Session 2 (Cont’d)

Anil a Mediator and Arbitrator (Fellow of the Chartered and S’pore Institutes of Arbitrators), Advocate & Solicitor of S’pore and Solicitor of England & Wales, has been in practice since 1995 having graduated as a Barrister of England and Wales (Middle Temple) and a five-year career as an infantry officer with the Singapore Armed Forces before that.

Having also been In House Counsel and head of Davis Langdon & Seah (Arcadis)’s Contract Advisory and Dispute Management division (2006-2008) and with the arbitration practice group of the international law firm Hogan Lovells Lee and Lee (2008-2009), his work involves commercial, civil, corporate & criminal dispute resolution and front end advisory work with focus on construction and infrastructure work (including managing and consulting on Construction Projects and Claim) and represents parties in Singapore and the region including Australia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Pakistan, Philippines, Sri Lanka and Vietnam. He has been trained in Adjudication and International Investment Treaty Arbitration with the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration, and is conversant with Mandarin, Malay, Tamil and Malayalam besides English.

The chairman of the Society of Construction Law (Singapore) (2012–2014) and its permanent representative to the SCL (International) Liaison Committee; honorary treasurer of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators (2011-2013); and honorary legal advisor to the Singapore Institutes of Architects and the Institute of Valuers & Surveyors; secretary to Singapore Sri Lanka Business Association and honorary advisory to Asia Pacific Corporate Counsel Association, he established the law chambers CHANGAROTH CHAMBERS LLC on 1st July 2014, focusing on Counselling the Business and the Business of Counselling with Appropriate Dispute Resolution.

Session 3
Challenges for Non-Lawyers Adjudicators

♦ Emphasis on procedural compliance, not technical merit
♦ Uncertainty as to status of SOP case law as precedent to be followed
♦ Amendment of the Act lagging far behind legal developments
♦ Should BCA have introduced ‘rolling’ guidance notes, to address concerns?
♦ Increasing expectation by legal representatives that a conference will be a mini-hearing

Christopher Nunns is Managing Director of Construction Solutions Asia for the Forensic and Litigation Consulting services sector of FTI Consulting Inc.

Prior to joining FTI Consulting, Chris has over 35 years experience in the international construction industry working with both contractors and consultants. For the last 30 years he has been based in Singapore. He has given expert evidence for arbitration and court proceedings on numerous occasions and is a regular speaker at seminars and conferences in Singapore. Chris is an accredited adjudicator in Singapore. Chris is Immediate Past Chairman of the Society of Construction Law in Singapore and is a member of the ICE Editorial Advisory Panel.

Chris graduated from Oxford University in 1976 and joined the Geotechnics Division of Arup in London. He then moved to Singapore to work with an international contractor on a major Tunnelling contract. Chris then joined a specialist consultancy providing contractual and project management services in Singapore and internationally.
REGISTRATION FORM

Closing date for registration: 16 September 2016

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Date: 23 September 2016 (Friday)  
Time: 2pm to 5.30pm (Registration starts at 1.30pm)  
Venue: Carlton Hall, Level 2, York Hotel, 21 Mount Elizabeth Singapore 228516

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