Synopsis

With the upcoming changes to the SIA Building Contracts 2016, SPM is pleased to have 2 prominent legal professionals who were involved in the drafting of the new SIA contract to share with our members the key changes that are made to the contracts. Members can look forward to learn about the significance of these upcoming changes, its potential impact and pitfalls that contract administrators would need to look out.

Specifically, Mr. Christopher Chuah of Wong Partnership LLP will discuss aspects of SIA (1) Building Contract 2016 – Without Quantities, (2) Sub Contract 2016 and (3) Building Contract 2016 – Design & Build with Employer’s Design 2016, while Mr. Anil Changaroth of ChangAroth Chambers LLC will consider the SIA (1) Building Contracts 2016 – Without Quantities (International) and (2) Sub Contracts 2016 (International) including how it operates as opposed to the new local contract, the 9th edition and a couple of the common international contracts.

About the Speakers

Christopher Chuah heads the Infrastructure, Construction & Engineering Practice of WongPartnership LLP and is a Partner in the International Arbitration, China and Myanmar Practices. He graduated from the London School of Economics and is admitted to the English Bar and the Singapore Bar. Apart from a law degree, Christopher has a Diploma in Surveying (Distinction) from the College of Estate Management, Reading, United Kingdom. He is a Fellow of the Singapore Institute of Arbitrators and Chartered Institute of Arbitrators as well as the Chartered Institute of Building. He has also been appointed to the Singapore International Arbitration Centre’s Main Panel of Arbitrators and is also on the Panel of Arbitrators of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration. His main areas of practice encompass both front-end drafting and advice and construction disputes, 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 is an accredited adjudicator under the Building and Construction Industry Security of Payment Act (Cap 30B) and was part of the first group of such appointments. He is a member of the Construction Adjudicator Accreditation Committee which was formed by the Singapore Mediation Centre to assist with the training and accreditation of adjudicators. Adjunct Professor in the School of Science and Technology, UNISIM and the Department of Architecture, NUS. He also serves as a member of the College Advisory Committee, College of Engineering, NTU.
Anil Changaroth, Managing Director ChangAroth Chambers LLC and ChangAroth International Consultancy

Anil, a Mediator (Singapore Mediation Centre’s Commercial & Family Panels); Arbitrator (Fellows of the Chartered, Singapore and Philippines Institutes of Arbitrators); Adjudicator (Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre of Arbitration); Advocate & Solicitor of Singapore and Solicitor of England and Wales - in practice since 1995 after graduating as a Barrister of England and Wales (Middle Temple) and five-years as an infantry officer with the Singapore Armed Forces. He was part of the arbitration practice group of the international law firm Lovells Lee and Lee and head legal counsel of Davis Langdon & Seah (now part of Arcadis Group)’s Contract Advisory and Dispute Management division. He also holds a Masters of Science in Construction Law & Arbitration, Kings College and National University of Singapore.

ChangAroth Chambers LLC commenced in July 2014, has its core team focusing on Building, Construction and Infrastructure work (including managing and consulting on construction projects and claims), and dealing with most aspects of Commercial, Civil, Criminal and Corporate matters; Front End Advisory work and Appropriate Dispute Resolution services. The Chambers conversant in Mandarin, Malay, Tamil and Malayalam besides English, represent parties in Singapore and the region including Australia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Mauritius, Pakistan, Philippines, Vietnam and Sri Lanka. Anil has been involved with pro-bono work for 20 years in Jurong Town of the honourable Deputy Prime Minister Shanmugaratnam.

Anil is the Honorary Legal Advisor to Singapore Institute of Surveyors and Valuers and Singapore Institute of Architects (including on the Minor Works and the New Building Contracts) and was chairman of the Society of Construction Law (Singapore) 2012-2014. His specialised work with Appropriate Dispute Resolution also includes as Mediator, Adjudicator, Arbitrator, Dispute Boards and Neutral Evaluator with Trinity ADR Pte. Ltd. and ChangAroth International Consultancy that consults & administers international trade, construction and infrastructure projects and appropriate dispute resolution services, being set up in Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, India & Mauritius.

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