CONFlict, Claims and Construction Disputes: Adjudication Leading the Way

Date: 14 November 2017 (Tuesday)
Time: 4.00 PM – 5.00 PM
Venue: Bilik Persidangan (Conference Room), Faculty of Law, University of Malaya

Addressing the legal issues that may come up in one of the most important sectors of the Malaysian economy, the construction industry, this lecture will analyse alternatives that are provided for the stakeholders in the marketplace to resolve and prevent disputes. Contractual interpretation and payment disputes, among others, are very common in this area and likely to multiply in the future as the market share grows.

In specific, we will talk about two main subjects. First, the adjudication of construction disputes. Adjudication is the premier ADR for payment disputes as it has proven to be remarkably fast and low-cost. We will review the main concepts and provide an idea of the procedural steps. Second, the strategic prevention of disputes by adhering to form contracts. Our efforts to reduce disputes in construction have led us to creating a series of form contracts to provide an even standpoint for all participants. We will analyse the forms and explain how they function.

PROGRAMME
3.30 pm Arrival of Guests
3.40 pm Arrival of Speakers
4.00 pm Introduction and Welcoming Speech by the Dean, Associate Professor Dr Johan Shamsuddin
4.10 pm Lecture by Datuk Professor Sundra Rajoo
5.00 pm Closing address by the Dean followed by Tea in the Foyer

Datuk Professor Sundra Rajoo is the Director of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Centre for Arbitration (KLRCA) and President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (2016). His roll of honour includes being Founding President of the Society of Construction Law, Malaysia and the Malaysian Society of Adjudicators. He is also the Past President of the Asia Pacific Regional Arbitration Grouping (APRAG), which is a federation of nearly 40 arbitral institutions in the Asia Pacific region.

Datuk Professor Sundra Rajoo is a Chartered Arbitrator and an Advocate & Solicitor of the High Court of Malaya (non-practising). He is a Professional Architect, Registered Town Planner and a Fellow of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. He has had numerous appointments as chairman, co-arbitrator of three-man panels and sole arbitrator in international and domestic arbitrations. He serves on the panel of numerous international arbitral institutions and organisations.

He is an Adjunct Professor at the Law Faculty of University of Malaya, Visiting Professor at the Faculty of Built Environment, University of Technology Malaysia and past Visiting Professor at the Law Faculty, National University of Malaysia. He is a member in the Monetary Penalty Review Committee set up under the Malaysian Financial Services Act 2013.


In July 2015, Datuk Professor Sundra Rajoo was conferred an Honorary Doctorate in Laws from the Leeds Beckett University in England.