

DUŠAN CVETKOVIĆ – Curriculum

Vitae

BSc.Civ.Eng | LL.M Construction Law and Arbitration |
FCI Arb | MRICS | CDRC Arbitrator | ACES Adjudicator |
FIDIC Task Group 19 (TG19) | Expert Witness

CONTRACT & CLAIM SPECIALIST

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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SUMMARY

A civil engineer with over 15 years of professional experience in major civil engineering and water infrastructure projects, having held a variety of positions, including Site Engineer, Project Management Assistant, Construction Manager, Branch Manager, and Contract & Claim Specialist, primarily in the Western Balkans and Central Asia.

Dušan Cvetković has gained high expertise in Claims, Dispute Adjudication, litigation and FIDIC Contracts, through participation in international contractual dispute resolution procedures.

Dušan Cvetković holds a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and an LL.M Construction Law and Arbitration degree from Robert Gordon University (UK); recognised as a Fellow member (FCI Arb) at the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, a Member (MRICS) of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, a Member of the Association of Consulting Engineers of Serbia (ACES) and listed arbitrator at the Construction Dispute Resolution Center (CDRC).

By doing so, Dušan Cvetković possesses dual education in civil engineering and law and has a full understanding of various Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) rules and techniques. Dušan Cvetković, as a lead counsel and/or counsel team member and/or forensic delay analyst and/or quantum expert, gained substantial experience in a diversity of matters and disputes arising from different construction contracts and governing laws. Dušan also acts as an Expert Witness in adjudication and arbitration proceedings.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Jan 2022 – Present **Contract and Claims Specialist (Owner)** | Belgrade, Serbia
CCM Solutions, Belgrade - Serbia

- **Adjudicator**
- Appointed **Expert Witness** (Price Adjustment) under Arbitration
- Claims preparation and review
 - **Quantum (EOT & Prolongation Costs)**
 - **Delay Analysis**
- **FIDIC Contract** Administration and negotiation
- Dispute resolution under various ADR mechanisms (Adjudication: **DAB/DB**; Arbitration: **ICC, UNCITRAL**)
- **8+ Arbitrations and DAB/DB's: 40+ million EURO in total**

Apr 2024 - Present **Member of Task Group 19 (TG19)** | Belgrade, Serbia
FIDIC - International Federation of Consulting Engineers, Geneva - Swiss

Appointed as a member of the TG19 that is responsible for producing 'FIDIC's Handbook for Practitioners' for 1999 and 2017 editions.

Dec 2018 – Dec
2021

Contract and Claims Manager | Belgrade, Serbia
Ludwig Pfeiffer Hoch- und Tiefbau GmbH & Co. KG, Kassel - Germany

Over the period of 3 years, Dusan has prepared **10+ Claims** for EOT and Prolongation Costs; Participated in **10+ DAB/DB proceedings** (Europe, Central Asia), **3+ Arbitrations** and **5+ Litigations** with a total value of **10+ million EURO**. The Disputes were various in nature: differences in quantity, delays in execution, contract termination, lump-sum price, interpretation of the contract clauses, etc.

Jul 2017 - Dec 2021

Branch Manager | Tivat, Montenegro
Ludwig Pfeiffer Hoch- und Tiefbau GmbH & Co. KG, Kassel - Germany

Business Administration, Contract and Project Management, Cost Management. Litigations, Quantity Surveyor

Sep 2016 – Jun 2017

Tendering Engineer | Belgrade, Serbia
Ludwig Pfeiffer Hoch- und Tiefbau GmbH & Co. KG, Kassel - Germany

Cost estimations (assessing development sites, identifying variables, determining the amount of materials needed and providing the final cost for construction jobs).

Nov 2012 – Aug
2016

Construction Manager | Tivat, Montenegro
Ludwig Pfeiffer Hoch- und Tiefbau GmbH & Co. KG, Kassel - Germany

Contract and Cost Management (incl. negotiations, requirements, payments, cash flow, reporting CEO/Owner). Procurement of the material and equipment. Technical and administrative support (review of plans and drawings, as-built design, quantity surveying, etc.). Office management.

Nov 2011 – Oct
2012

Tender preparation / Procurement department | Belgrade, Serbia
Ludwig Pfeiffer Hoch- und Tiefbau GmbH & Co. KG, Kassel - Germany

Tender preparation - Preparing and making the tender documents, Site visits, Correspondence, Submissions, and administrative support.

Procurement department – Inquiry and Procurement for Materials and Equipment, Forwarding, Evaluation of offers and contracts.

Sep 2009 – Oct
2011

Quantity Surveyor / Site Engineer / PM Assistant | Tivat, Montenegro
Ludwig Pfeiffer Hoch- und Tiefbau GmbH & Co. KG, Kassel - Germany

Measurement of the works, preparing of financial-technical documentation (IPCs), Procurement of the equipment, Calculation and estimation of daily cash flow, Payments, Contracts, Cost Management, Reporting directly to the company's CEO/Owner, Technical and administrative support (review of plans and drawings, as-built design, etc.). Office management.

Jul 2008 – Feb
2009

Site Engineer | Belgrade, Serbia
Demex-st, Belgrade - Serbia

Several Projects: Hydro isolation, epoxy, and concrete works. Organisation of the works, materials, labour force and equipment, Review of plans and drawings; Work measurement and preparation of documentation (quantity surveying, construction book, preparation of payroll, etc.).

EDUCATION

Master of Law (LLM) Construction Law & Arbitration (2023)
Robert Gordon University, United Kingdom



Professional Diploma in Forensic Schedule Analysis (2020)
College of Contract Management, United Kingdom
Determination and quantification of delay, determination of causation, responsibility assessment and financial consequences



Bachelor in civil engineering
University of Belgrade, Civil and Geodetic Professional Career Studies – Serbia



Membership In Professional Organizations

Appointed as a **Member of Task Group 19 (TG19)** responsible for producing '*FIDIC's Handbook for Practitioners*' for 1999 and 2017 ed



Member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (MRICS)



RICS

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb)



Member of the Association of Consulting Engineers of Serbia (ACES)



Dispute Review Board Foundation



Certificates and Training

FIDIC Modules 2
Management of Claims and Dispute Resolution under the FIDIC Contracts (2018)

FIDIC Modules 4
Management and Administration of FIDIC Contracts (2018)

FIDIC Modules 3
FIDIC DAB/DAAB Course (2025)



University of Belgrade, Faculty of Civil Engineering
Claims for damages in construction projects - quantification and prevention (2023)



Courses

Microsoft: Analysing and Visualising Data with Excel
DAT206x (2018)



Harvard University: Contract Law; From Trust to Promise to Contract HLS2X (2018)



Basic accountancy (2008)

Software

AutoCAD
MS Project

MS Office
Primavera,
System Administration

Languages

Serbian - Native
English - Proficiency in speaking and writing
German - Beginner

SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE IN CLAIMS PREPARATION

Delay Analysis / EOT & Prolongation Costs

Contract mechanism	Claim
Matter of Dispute	Damages arising out of Extension of Time (EoT) and Prolongation Costs (delays)
Role	Claim Manager (delay analysis & claim drafting, quantum, review & response, negotiation)
Contract	Sewerage Works, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Claim Value: 1,7 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Claim
Matter of Dispute	Substantial increase in tender BoQ quantities, Measurement and Evaluation of Unit Rate(s)
Role	Claim Manager (claim drafting, quantum, review & response)
Contract	WWTP, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Claim Value: 461 Thsnd USD
Contract mechanism	Claim
Matter of Dispute	Damages arising out of Extension of Time (EoT) and Prolongation Costs (delays)
Role	Claim Manager (quantum, review & response, negotiation)
Contract	Sewerage works, Montenegro / FIDIC Yellow Book 1999 / Claim Value: 297 Thsnd EUR
Contract mechanism	Claim
Matter of Dispute	Damages arising out of Extension of Time (EoT) and Prolongation Costs (delays)
Role	Claim Manager (quantum, review & response)
Contract	Sewerage Works, Mongolia / ENAA / Claim Value: 602 Thsnd USD
Contract mechanism	Claim
Matter of Dispute	Damages arising out of Extension of Time (EoT) and Prolongation Costs (suspension)
Role	Claim Manager (claim drafting, quantum, review & response, negotiation)
Contract	Sewerage works, Kazakhstan / FIDIC Yellow Book 1999 / Claim Value: 1,1 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Claim
Matter of Dispute	Damages arising out of Extension of Time (EoT) and Prolongation Costs (delays)
Role	Claim Manager (delay analysis, claim drafting, quantum)
Contract	Sewerage works, Cameroon / Bespoke/ Claim Value: 5,5 Mil EUR

SPECIFIC EXPERIENCE IN ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION (ADR)

Adjudication (Dispute Boards)

Contract mechanism	Ad-hoc Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB)
Matter of Dispute	Adjustment for Changes in Costs under the Contract/Governing Law
Role	Adjudicator
Contract	Navigation Lock, Serbia / FIDIC Yellow Book 1999 / Contract Value: 28.5 Mil Euro
Contract mechanism	Ad-hoc Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB)
Matter of Dispute	Unforeseeable geological sub-soil conditions, Statute of Limitations under the Law
Role	Quantum Expert / Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage works, Montenegro / FIDIC Red Book 1999 / Contract Value: 8.5 Mil Euro
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Substantial increase in tender BoQ quantities, Measurement and Evaluation
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage Works, Georgia / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 41 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Ad-hoc Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB)
Matter of Dispute	Lump-Sum Contracts, Variations
Role	Lead Counsel
Contract	Sewerage works, Montenegro / FIDIC Yellow Book 1999 / Contract Value: 3 Mil Euro
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Measurement and Evaluation, Variations, Binding agreements under the law

Role	Member of the counsel team / Quantum Expert – adjustment of unit rates
Contract	Sewerage Works, Georgia / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 41 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Termination of the Contract by the Employer, Interim measures, Contract Price
Role	Lead Counsel
Contract	Sewerage Works, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 9 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Variations, Measurement and Evaluation, new unit rates
Role	Lead Counsel
Contract	WWTP, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 12 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Damages arising out of the Termination of the Contract
Role	Lead Counsel
Contract	WWTP, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 12 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Damages arising out of Termination of the Contract, Loss of Profit
Role	Lead Counsel
Contract	Sewerage Works, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 9 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Damages arising out of the Termination of the Contract
Role	Lead Counsel
Contract	Sewerage Works, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 9 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Calling Performance Security, Evaluation of unit rates, Statute of limitation
Role	Member of the counsel team /Lead counsel
Contract	Sewerage Works, Georgia / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 41 Mil USD
Contract mechanism	Standing Dispute Board (DB)
Matter of Dispute	Enforcement of the Engineer's Determination
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage Works, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 9 Mil USD

Arbitration (ICC; UNCITRAL; LOCAL)

Arbitration Rules	ICC
Matter of Dispute	Enforcement of DAB decision through arbitration and NY convention
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage and water supply systems, Albania / FIDIC Red Book / Contract Value: 11 Mil Euro
Arbitration Rules	ICC
Matter of Dispute	Delay of one of the partners in JV and corresponding damages/forum shopping
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage work, Philippines / Bespoke JV agreement / Contract Value: 9 Mil Euro
Arbitration Rules	ICC
Matter of Dispute	Unforeseeable geological sub-soil conditions / Delay Damages / Head Office Overheads
Role	Lead Counsel / Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage network, Montenegro / FIDIC Red Book / Contract Value: 8.5 Mil Euro
Arbitration Rules	ICC
Matter of Dispute	Unpaid invoices, Delay Damages
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	Water networks, Cameroon / Bespoke/ Contract Value: 9 Mil Euro
Arbitration Rules	UNCITRAL 2013
Matter of Dispute	Enforcement of the DB Decisions
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage networks, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 9 Mil USD
Arbitration Rules	UNCITRAL 2013
Matter of Dispute	Enforcement of the DB Decisions

Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	WWTP, Uzbekistan / FIDIC 2010 Edition / Contract Value: 12 Mil USD
Arbitration Rules	ICC
Matter of Dispute	Unpaid invoices, Retention Money
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	WWTP, Moldavia / Consortium Agreement / Contract Value: 24 Mil Euro
Arbitration Rules	ICC (expedited procedure)
Matter of Dispute	Enforcement of a Parental Company Guarantee
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	WWTP, Georgia / Consortium Agreement / Contract Value: 13.6 Mil Euro
Arbitration Rules	ICC (expedited procedure)
Matter of Dispute	Enforcement of a Parental Company Guarantee
Role	Member of the counsel team
Contract	WWTP, Poti / Consortium Agreement / Contract Value: 15.2 Mil Euro
Arbitration Rules	Permanent Arbitration at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Serbia
Matter of Dispute	Adjustment for changes in cost
Role	Expert Witness
Contract	Social Inclusion Education buildings / FIDIC Red Book 1999 / Contract Value: 3.5 Mil Euro
Arbitration Rules	Permanent Arbitration at the Chamber of Commerce and Industry Serbia
Matter of Dispute	Adjustment for changes in cost / Delay and disruption
Role	Expert Witness
Contract	Railway project / Bespoke / Contract Value: 120 Mil USD

Litigation (Courts)

Court	Commercial Court in Podgorica - Montenegro
Matter of Dispute	Unpaid invoices, Delay Damages, Work remedies
Role	Quantity Surveyor / Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage network, Montenegro / FIDIC Red Book Subcontract / Contract Value: 7.7 Mil Euro
Court	Commercial Court in Kotor - Montenegro
Matter of Dispute	Equipment Purchasing, Illegal possession of assets
Role	Quantity Surveyor / Member of the counsel team
Contract	Montenegro / Bespoke/ Contract Value: 130 T Euro
Court	Commercial Court in Belgrade - Serbia
Matter of Dispute	Insurance Claim, Damages on Works
Role	Quantity Surveyor / Member of the counsel team
Contract	Sewerage works, Montenegro / FIDIC Yellow Book 1999 / Contract Value: 3 Mil Euro