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- Barrister-at-law, MSc, LLB(Hons), FCIArb, DipICA
- FIDIC Certified Adjudicator
- FIDIC President's List of Approved Dispute Adjudicators
- ICC arbitrator
- FIDIC Certified Trainer

Taner is an international construction barrister, dispute resolver, published author and world-renowned speaker.

Experience

International construction barrister: Specialising in the resolution and avoidance of disputes arising out of international construction and engineering projects, particularly under the FIDIC forms. Taner represents both international contractors and Employers. In 2023, Legal 500 reported, "Barrister Taner Dedezade is highly regarded for his advocacy work...a great tutor and a dispute resolution expert."

Dispute Resolver: Taner passionately believes in dispute prevention and is skilled in facilitating the resolution of disputes. Taner is currently acting as an **ICC arbitrator** in relation to an international construction project based in Georgia. Taner has been appointed by CIArb as Arbitrator in relation to 4 commercial disputes.

World-Renowned Speaker: Taner is a FIDIC-certified trainer, **FIDIC trainer of the Year 2020** and has delivered numerous lectures and 2-day workshops around the world. He delivers FIDIC lectures annually on the King's MSc in Construction law and arbitration. Taner was invited by FIDIC to deliver "Top-Up Training" to 1) Members of the FIDIC President's List; and 2) FIDIC Accredited Trainers. He formulated and delivers a Comparison course between FIDIC 1999 and 2017 on the FIDIC Academy platform.



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Services Taner provides include:	Admissions	
 Representation and Advocacy before DABs and arbitral tribunals in relation to international construction and international arbitration law disputes principally involving the use of FIDIC construction contracts Arbitration & DAB appointments International speaker engagements 	England and Wales	

Awards & Recognition

- FIDIC trainer of the year award (2020)
- 'FIDIC trainer of the year runner-up (2019)
- Legal 500 2016 "In 2016, the firm secured a number of new Employer clients, including the
 governments of Serbia and the Government of Georgia, and Corbett & counsel, Taner Dedezade,
 acted for the former in DAB proceedings relating to various claims brought by the Contractor in
 relation to a complex tunnelling project"
- Ranked as 'up and coming' lawyer in Chambers UK 2016 with clients saying 'Taner has the ability to link the FIDIC to the legal context of different countries. He is a qualified barrister and advises a range of clients in arbitrations across the world"
- In 2022, Legal 500 reported, "Taner Dedezade, a trained barrister, is highly regarded for his advocacy work."
- In 2023 edition, Legal 500 reported, "Barrister Taner Dedezade is highly regarded for his advocacy work...a great tutor and a dispute resolution expert."

Memberships and Certifications

- FIDIC Certified Adjudicator
- FIDIC President's List of Approved Dispute Adjudicators
- FIDIC Certified Trainer for Fundamental Construction Contracts
- FIDIC Certified Trainer for Silver Book
- TECBAR Dispute Resolution Board Member
- Member, The Honourable Society of Gray's Inn
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCIArb)
- Corporate Panel Member, Dispute Board Federation (DBF)
- Member, King's College Construction Law Association (KCCLA)

- Member, Arbitration Club, King's College Branch
- Member, Technology and Construction Bar Association (TECBAR)
- Member, International Bar Association (IBA)
- Member, Society of Construction Law (SCL)
- Member, Adjudication Society (AS)
- Member, Young LCIA International Arbitration Group (LCIA)

International Construction Barrister engagements

Airports

- Gibraltar: Acting for the Government of Gibraltar in London's Technology and Construction Court
 against a Spanish contractor in relation to a dispute arising out of a £30 million contract
 (incorporating the FIDIC Yellow Book 1999) concerning design and construction work to the Gibraltar
 Airport and Frontier Access Road, including a tunnel under the airport runway.
- Saudi Arabia: Advising the Sub-contractor under a FIDIC Conditions of Subcontract for Works of Civil Engineering Construction 1994 in relation to a complex time and money claim (Value ½ bn USD).

Buildings

- Egypt: Advising the Contractor in relation to a commercial development. The Contract was a FIDIC
 4th contract. The claim was for approximately €80 million and was under the Cairo Arbitration Centre
 Rules.
- Georgia: Advising the claimant contractors in a dispute against the Consultant for defective design under a FIDIC White book concerning a Hilton standard hotel.
- Gibraltar: Representing an Employer in Gibraltar, as claimant, regarding a claim for over £20 million
 in relation to defects in the walls and roofs in over 600 flats. The contract was a JCT 81. The
 arbitration was conducted under the JCT rules with the seat of arbitration in Gibraltar. Proceedings
 were commenced in the High Court of England against the parent company of the contractor under a
 parent company guarantee. (Contract value circa £19 million.)
- Kosovo: Advising a Contractor in relation to a building project terminated by the Employer.
- Qatar: Advising Lebanese international contractor, in ICC arbitration proceedings concerning a Joint Venture dispute arising out of a construction project in Qatar.
- Seychelles: Advising the Contractor in relation to contract which is essentially an amalgamation of the FIDIC 4th and FIDIC Red Book 1999. The project concerns a hotel complex in Seychelles. The dispute is a final account dispute on what is owed by the Employer to the Contractor.
- Ukraine: Acting for the claimant contractors in a UNCITRAL arbitration to settle delay and defect disputes arising from contracts totalling €28.5 million for the construction of a four-star hotel in Ukraine.

Dredging & Sewerage

Cyprus: Acting as junior counsel alongside Edward Corbett for the Joint Venture Contractor in DAB proceedings concerning a sewerage network under a FIDIC 1999 Red Book. The claim involved allegations of defects made by the EU and allegations of bad design asserted by the Contractor. We put the claim together, drafted all the pleadings and conducted advocacy at a DAB hearing (June 2014). Also acting as junior counsel alongside Edward Corbett at the ICC arbitration hearing (2017), drafting detailed pleadings with the assistance of 2 technical experts and a quantum expert.

Georgia:

- Acting for a Contractor in relation to a dredging project which was settled after pleadings for the DAB were completed.
- Acting for a Contractor in relation to a water project, which is being referred to the DAB

Energy and Dams

- Peru: Advising the employer in relation to a hydropower project which has a split contract structure with four main contracts:
 - Civil works (FIDIC "red book")
 - Electro-Mechanical works (FIDIC "yellow book") (split into an onshore and an offshore portion)
 - Hydraulic steelworks (FIDIC "yellow book")
 - Transmission line (FIDIC "yellow book").
- Sudan: Advising the contractor in relation to some 30 claims and over 70 counterclaims in relation to
 a Power Station under a bespoke EPC contract, which was based on the FIDIC Silver Book. (Contract
 sum \$175 million.)
- UK:
 - Advising Swiss contractor on issues of risk allocation in a heavily amended FIDIC contract concerning a nuclear power project.
 - Advising Dutch international Contractor in relation to issues concerning a wind farm.

Railways

- Bulgaria: Advising the Contractor in relation to a FIDIC Yellow Book 1999 contract in Bulgaria.
 Numerous claims have been put before the Engineer and settled. Extensions of time have been awarded and complex negotiations took place in relation to the scope of the works being amended. (Value in excess of €150 million.)
- North Macedonia: Advising the Contractor throughout a project in relation to a heavily amended FIDIC Red Book 1999 Contract and acting as sole advocate in DAB proceedings. Complex negotiations with the Deputy Prime Minister and Ministers of Finance resulted in a deed of settlement being proposed. (The contract sum of the project is over €40m.)
- Saudi Arabia: Advising the Sub-Contractor in relation to a delay and disruption claim involving a metro project with a contract sum of €130 million.

Middle East: Acting for a joint venture on a US\$ 1 billion commercial railway project. The contract
was based on a FIDIC Silver Book. Drafting and preparing claims for the JV in relation to delay
disruption and variations.

Roads

- Albania: Acting for the Contractor in relation to ICC arbitration proceedings concerning a road project under a heavily amended FIDIC 4th edition Red Book. The claim involves delay, disruption, acceleration and material escalation and has been referred to ICC arbitration.
 (Value in excess of €15 million.)
- Georgia: Acting for the Employer in relation to 3 separate roads contracts in relation to claims for time and money. (Value totalling c.€150m)
- Kyrgyzstan: Providing early tactical advice to the Employer (Respondent) in relation to ICC arbitration proceedings concerning a road project under an amended FIDIC 4th edition Red Book.
- Poland: Acting for a Portuguese joint venture in relation to a claim for delay and disruption on a new motorway project in Poland. The contract was a FIDIC 4th edition and the ICC arbitration was conducted in Warsaw under Polish law. The contract value was €68.5 million with a claim for over €40 million. Issues of cross-border insolvency and jurisdiction arose during the arbitration

Romania:

- Appearing as sole Counsel for the Employer (Respondent) in relation to ICC proceedings
 concerning a road project under an amended FIDIC Red Book 1999. The value of the claim was
 €21 million. The Contractor sought a partial final award in the proceedings to enforce the
 DAB's 'binding' DAB decisions. Taner appeared as sole counsel at this hearing.
- Acting for the Employer (Respondent) in relation to the construction of a dual carriageway by an international contractor in Romania under the FIDIC Red Book 1999. This case has involved 5 DAB Referrals in which the Claimant claimed €29 million and three subsequent ICC arbitrations. The disputes involved claims for delay and disruption costs, the termination of the contract and the employer's claim for defective works. (Value of the dispute in arbitration exceeds €32m.)
- Acted for the Employer (Respondent) in a project under a FIDIC Red Book 1999. This road
 Rehabilitation project concerned a motorway in Romania. The Contractor referred a
 complicated delay and disruption claim to the DAB. The value of the claim was €12,638,604.31
 plus interest of €2,721,417.35.
- Advising the Employer (Respondent) in relation to the termination of a FIDIC 1999 Yellow book. This road project related to the construction of a motorway in Romania. Works value before Variation was approximately €59m.
- Serbia: Acting as sole counsel for the Employer in relation to a c. €16m road project under the FIDIC 2005 Pink Book. The contractor has brought multiple claims in front of the DB including disputes about the proper valuation of variations and prolongation arising from the variations, and complex extension of time claims.
- Uganda: Acting for the Government against a multi-national joint venture consisting of well-known
 French and South African contractors. The dispute, worth €70 million, concerned the termination of a

major EDF road rehabilitation project in Uganda, governed by the EDF standard conditions of contract (similar to FIDIC). The project was financed by the European Development Fund.

Dispute Resolver Engagements

- Appointed as ICC co-arbitrator by the Employer in relation to an international construction dispute. Nick Gould appointed as co-arbitrator by the Contractor and Claus Lenz as chair. Ongoing.
- Appointed as CIArb DAS arbitrator in relation to 4 international commercial disputes. 3 awards published. I ongoing.

Speaker Engagements

- Numerous lectures and workshops around the world.
- 2-day FIDIC workshops through Cornerstone Seminar on Module 1: Contracts,
 Module 2: Claims and Module 3: DABs as follows:
 - [2010] Zambia and Cyprus; [2011] Germany and Saudi Arabia; [2012] Colombia, Norway and Saudi Arabia; [2013] Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and UAE; [2014] Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Qatar; [2015] Lebanon, Romania, Netherlands, Georgia, Malawi and Portugal; [2016] Poland, Lebanon, Netherlands, Romania, Germany, Morocco, Turkey and Georgia; [2017] Morocco, Lebanon, Serbia, Georgia, UAE, Croatia, Saudi Arabia, Netherlands, Germany and Georgia; [2018] Georgia, Bulgaria and Scotland; [2019] Georgia, Germany, Peru, USA, Serbia; [2020] Greece, Georgia and 4 zoom seminars; [2021] 11 zoom seminars and live events in Uzbekistan and Armenia; [2022] 1 zoom seminar and live events in Georgia, Uzbekistan, Saudi Arabia, Germany, India and Sweden.
- Visiting lecturer at the King's MSc in Construction law and arbitration. Delivered lectures every year on FIDIC from 2011 to date.
- Third Party Contract speaking engagements include:
 - Bucharest for the FIDIC-ARIC-EFCA Regional Infrastructure Conference in March 2015;
 - Krakow for the FIDIC-SIDIR-EFCA Regional Infrastructure Conference in 2016;
 - Marrakesh for the FIDIC International Infrastructure Conference in September 2016;
 - Belgrade for the FIDIC-ACES-EFCA Regional Infrastructure Conference in March 2017;
 - Tbilisi, FIDIC ACEG EFCA Regional Infrastructure Conference, Georgia in March 2018;
 - 2022 DRBF training of lawyers
 - ICC-FIDIC Conference, Croatia in October 2022
 - DRBF Transylvania's Tell-Tales, Cluj Romania in October 2022
- "Top-Up Training" on the FIDIC 2017 forms to Members of the FIDIC President's List and FIDIC Accredited Trainers. (2021)
- Compiled new course for delivery on the FIDIC Academy platform comparing the 1999 forms with the 2017 forms.

Publications and Insights

- 'Construction Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution Theory and Practice around the World' edited by Professor Renato Nazzini, - Co-author (the chapter on enforcement of DAB decisions) -Informa Law from Routledge, (2021)
- 'Transnational Construction Arbitration, Key themes in the resolution of construction disputes' edited by Professor Renato Nazzini, Co-author (the chapter on enforcement of DAB decisions) Informa Law from Routledge, (2018)
- 'Service Charges and Management: Law and Practice', Co-author (the chapter on ADR) Sweet & Maxwell (2006)
- Contributions to:
 - International Arbitration Law Review
 - Construction Law International

Legal Career

Date	Location	Company	Position
2007-date	London	Corbett & Co.	Barrister
		Chambers of Peter	
2003-2007	London	Hughes QC, Tanfield	Barrister
		Chambers, Temple	
		Chambers of Lord	
1998-2003	London	Gifford QC, 8 King's	Barrister
		Bench Walk, Temple	
1996-1998	London	Chambers of Ian	Dunillana
		McCulloch, 9 Bell Yard	Pupillage

Education & Qualifications

- 2005-2007 MSc (Merit) in Construction Law and Dispute Resolution, University of London, King's College
- 2005-2007 Awarded the Bickerdike Allen prize for the best performance in the MSc first-year taught modules.
- 2004-2005 Diploma (Merit) in International Commercial Arbitration (with a distinction in his thesis), University of London, Queen Mary College
- 1996 Called to the Bar, Honourable Society of Gray's Inn
- 1995-1996 Bar Vocational Course, Inns of Court School of Law
- 1992-1995 LLB (Hons) 2:1, University of London