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## Preface

This book on *International Construction Disputes* is a comprehensive reference guide for practitioners involved in international construction projects and the resolution of associated disputes. Construction projects have a high technical, organisational and legal complexity which increases the risk of disputes. Contract managers, inhouse-counsel, experts, lawyers, adjudicators, judges and arbitrators dealing with construction disputes need both a deep knowledge of construction law and profound skills and expertise in dispute resolution. Therefore, this reference guide focuses on the nuts and bolts of complex construction disputes and their resolution.

It covers in its chapters dispute avoidance, alternative dispute resolution, arbitration, litigation and evidence in construction disputes, as well as future trends such as the digitalized construction site and legal tech in construction disputes. The aim of this book is to address the international dimension of construction projects. While various legal systems – especially the civil law and the common law worlds – have considerably different approaches to construction disputes, they regularly achieve similar dispute resolution outcomes. Recognizing the international perspective, the book presents different paths for the resolution of construction disputes and gives insight on the common issues faced on the way.

We are thankful that the idea of this book received instant and great support from many colleagues who accepted the task to write one of the chapters. Staying with the spirit of the book, we have assembled a truly international team of authors, consisting of leading practitioners from many different jurisdictions and including both the future and present leaders in their field. Without the dedication, profound knowledge and wealth of experience of these authors, this book would not have been possible.

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