

# FIDIC Training Course: FIDIC Silver Book (2017 Edition)

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## Introduction

The FIDIC Silver Book (2017 Edition)—officially titled Conditions of Contract for EPC/Turnkey Projects—is specifically designed to meet the demands of projects where the contractor assumes full responsibility for design, execution, and delivery. This comprehensive 2-day training course offers participants a deep dive into the Silver Book’s key principles, risk allocation mechanisms, and practical application.

Our FIDIC Training Courses are suitable for:

- Contractors
- Subcontractors
- Commercial managers
- Quantity Surveyors
- Claims consultants
- International Organisations
- Engineers
- Designers
- Project Managers
- Contract Managers
- Employer’s Representatives
- Government Organisations

### About the Trainer:

**Charles Edwards MSt(Cantab) MSc(Lond) MRICS MCI Arb FCIInstCES Barrister**, is a high performing construction barrister, a legal expert in construction and engineering law and Head of Chambers at New Temple Chambers, a barristers’ chambers with a laser focus on construction and engineering law. Charles is often sought after in regard to construction contract training and major and complex construction and engineering disputes. Charles provides training in all aspects of construction and engineering law.

## Day 1 – Understanding the Framework and Core Provisions

### ■ Introduction and Course Overview

- Welcome & course objective
- Overview of FIDIC contract suite, the Golden Principles and the FIDIC Silver Book
- Participant introductions (optional)

### ■ Responsibilities of the Parties

- General Provisions
- The Employer
- The Employer’s Representative
- The Contractor
- The Contractor’s Representative
- Design

### ■ Management of Projects

- Staff and Labour
- Plant, Materials and Workmanship
- Commencement, Delays and Suspension
- Employer’s Taking Over
- Defects after Taking Over

### ■ Tests on/after Completion

- Tests on Completion
- Tests after Completion
- Taking over and commissioning

## Day 2 – Risk, Payment, Claims and Dispute Resolution

### ■ Financial Procedure

- Variations and Adjustments
- Contract Price and Payment

### ■ Suspension and Termination

- Termination by Employer
- Suspension and Termination by Contractor

### ■ Exceptional Events

### ■ Claims

- Types of claims Notification procedures and timelines
- Record-keeping and evidence
- Practical case examples

### ■ Disputes and Arbitration

- Dispute Avoidance/Adjudication Board
- The process and timelines
- Arbitration

## Why Train With Us

Participants will gain:

- A clear understanding of the FIDIC Silver Book 2017 structure and key provisions.
- Insight into the allocation of risk and the contractor's extended responsibilities.
- Clarity on the roles and obligations of the Employer, the Employer's Representative, the Contractor and the Contractor's Representative..
- Knowledge of how the contract handles design and performance requirements.
- The ability to manage and assess unforeseen site conditions and data risks.
- A solid grasp of payment procedures, including advance payments and securities.
- Understanding of procedures for termination, suspension, and risk control.
- Exposure to real-world case studies and examples from major EPC projects.
- Awareness of how the Silver Book compares to other FIDIC forms (Red, Yellow, Gold).
- A **Certificate of Attendance** will be issued to all participants upon completion of the course for the purpose for 2 days of CPD.
- No prerequisites are necessary to attend this course.



"Charles, thank you for your contributions towards the institution, your session provided much value.  
We're looking forward to your future talks."

*Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors (CICES)*

"Thank you for your time today, Charles. The attendees will have learned a lot from the workshop."  
*The Joint Contracts Tribunal (JCT)*

"...Great presentation, thank you Charles."  
*Divisional Commercial Director - Top 5 UK Contractor*

"Masterclass on LOIs [Letters of Intent]... I travelled from Paris to attend this one ... cutting the swathe in  
construction law and every bit as relevant today! Marvellous stuff Charles."  
*FIDIC Contract Claims Specialist*

"Thank you... Charles... for organising. The presentation was very informative, the diagrams and quality of  
the handouts were excellent. [Payment in Construction Contracts - JCT & NEC]  
*Director and Quantum Expert*

"Great presentation Charles!"  
*Country Director (Worldwide Construction Consultancy)*

"Thank you for sharing such valuable information, and understanding of such claims [NEC Contract  
Payment Dispute] Charles."  
*Director*

"No better... person for the job [talk on Letters of Intent for JCT]"  
*Construction Adjudicator*

"It is always amazing to learn from you Charles."  
*Managing Director (Contractor)*

"That was excellent Charles. [2-day FIDIC Yellow Book Training]"  
*Director*

"A very dry topic of NEC disallowed costs? Not for Charles! Thank you for explaining it so well and who  
does not like an extra portion of case law!"  
*Industry Advisor*

"... Fantastic presentation. Upwards and onwards."  
*Director*

"Thanks for your time, Charles, it was a really informative and interesting workshop."  
*Director (Contractor)*

"...your talk was superb, which was never in any doubt!..."  
*Director*

"Thanks Charles, insightful presentation. I look forward to the next one."  
*Principal Planner*

"Exceptional - Professional, Scholar, Gentleman!"  
*Architect*

"Excellent Charles, keep inspiring and leading."  
*Managing Director (Worldwide Leader in Engineering and Technical Consulting)*

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