

# IMPLICATIONS OF COVID-19 ON THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

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## This webinar seeks to address:

What aspects of a construction project would be affected by COVID-19 or the Movement Control Order (MCO)?

Most standard form contracts would treat the MCO as a delaying event, and provide for an EOT. What happens after the MCO is lifted – is COVID-19 bigger than the MCO?

Could further EOT be justified beyond the MCO, and if so, on what grounds?

Most standard form contracts treat the MCO as a neutral event. Is there a basis for loss & expense?



### SPEAKER

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Foo Joon Liang is a partner at Gan Partnership, a firm he co-founded in 2011. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb), United Kingdom and is presently the Chairman of the Malaysian Branch of CIArb. He sits on the panel of arbitrators and adjudicators of the Asian International Arbitration Centre (AIAC) and is one of the first 10 Malaysian appointees to the panel of arbitrators of the Hainan International Arbitration Court. He is listed as a Future Leader in Construction by *Who's Who Legal*. Since his admission to the Malaysian Bar in 2000, Joon Liang has held an active dispute resolution portfolio in litigation, arbitration, and adjudication. He regularly appears as a counsel at all levels of Malaysian courts as well as in domestic and international arbitrations.

In the past 10 years, his focus has largely been on construction dispute resolution and advisory. His forte is in complex engineering and geotechnical matters, particularly in engineering failures and collapses. He is also involved in disputes involving power plants and the full spectrum of other construction and infrastructure issues. His recent matters include the first Construction Industry Payment & Adjudication Act 2012 (CIPAA) decided at the Malaysian apex court, the highly publicised hill slope failure that led to a State Commission Inquiry, and a series of disputes arising from the collapse of a bridge which involved leading engineering experts from Europe and Asia.



### GUEST SPEAKER

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Rodney is the Chief Executive of the Charlton Martin Group, having previously been employed as Group Regional Director and Senior Vice President of two major contracts consultancy groups in the Asia Pacific Region. Of his 33 years of experience, 23 have been at senior level in this region. Additionally, Rodney has worked for many clients in Europe, Africa, the Middle East and India.

Rodney holds dual qualifications in quantity surveying and law and as a chartered quantity surveyor is a specialist in construction contract consultancy providing professional and technical advice to clients relating to contract documentation, contractual claims, dispute avoidance and resolution. He is an accredited mediator, panel arbitrator and panel adjudicator with the Asian International Arbitration Centre and is an experienced speaker within the region. He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators as well as both the Malaysian and Singapore Institute of Arbitrators.

Rodney has been appointed as Expert Witness on matters relating to quantum and delay and has acted as lay advocate in arbitration proceedings. Rodney has also been appointed as an arbitrator, mediator, adjudicator and dispute adjudication board member in Malaysia. He has lived and worked in Kuala Lumpur since 1997.

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