

# Introduction to Construction Adjudication

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> March & Wed 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025

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Ireland Branch



## Date

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March &  
Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025.  
9.30am to 1pm

## Cost

**€300**, Early bird €250,  
Student €100 (Full-time  
students only - must  
register with their college/  
university email and  
provide proof of college/  
university status following  
registration).

## Delivery

Live online via Zoom  
over one half day with  
an optional online  
assessment to apply for  
associate membership  
(additional fee - €100).  
Student membership of  
Ciarb is free.

## CPD

One half-day session  
will qualify candidates  
for 3 hours CPD for which  
certificates can be  
provided on request.

## Registration

Registration for either  
course can be made  
through the links below:

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March:**  
**EARLY BIRD | STUDENT**

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April:**  
**EARLY BIRD | STUDENT**

## Construction Adjudication Training 2025

As outlined in the Christmas newsletter, Ciarb Ireland Branch is pleased to announce its comprehensive programme of **Construction Adjudication Training**. The first stage is the running of this course, Introduction to Construction Adjudication. This course will be held twice: first on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025, and repeated on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025. This introduction course is not a prerequisite for the separate Decision Writing course being run in April (details on this course will be issued soon).

## The Course

This live online course will provide candidates with an understanding of the general principles of **construction adjudication** and its relationship to other **dispute resolution** processes. It also provides an introduction to the **legal framework** of, as well as good **practice and procedure** in, construction adjudication.

## For whom

Of interest to **construction** professionals (including engineers, quantity surveyors, architects, project managers etc.) **contractors** and specialist **sub-contractors**, public sanctioning and contracting authorities and legal practitioners in the construction field.

## Accreditation

An optional **online assessment**, based on the course, can be taken by candidates (additional fee of €100 applies). The successful passing of this assessment enables you to apply for **Associate Membership of Ciarb**, a recognised world leader in the promotion of Alternative Dispute Resolution. For more information on Ciarb membership, [click here](#).

## Syllabus

- Comparison of other processes of Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Fundamental principles of the construction adjudication process
- Construction Contracts Act 2013
- Code of Practice Governing the Conduct of Adjudications
- An adjudicator's jurisdiction and powers
- The Construction Adjudication process: natural justice, timetable, submissions and meetings
- Decision types, requirements and enforcement
- Adjudication in other jurisdictions and dispute boards



**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March / 9<sup>th</sup> April | 9.30am - 1.00pm**

09.20		<b>Registration Online</b>
09.30		<b>Opening Remarks by Ciarb Ireland Branch Chairperson Dermot Durack</b>
09.40	Session 1	<b>Introduction</b> An introduction to the course and background to Ciarb. It explains the history and objectives of the Ireland Branch as well as giving an overview of ADR generally in the construction industry. It then sets out the background to the introduction of construction adjudication in Ireland.
10.00	Session 2	<b>The Construction Contracts Act 2013</b> A background to the Act and an explanation of its purpose as well as to whom the Act applies. It also provides an understanding of the adjudication provisions within the Act.
10.40		<b>Coffee Break</b>
10.50	Session 3	<b>The Adjudication Process</b> The commencement and management of an adjudication, the notice of the intention to refer and the appointment of the adjudicator. The role of the adjudicator, the referral and defence as well as the duty to act fairly and impartially. It explains the binding nature of the decision, the Minister's Panel and the qualifications of the adjudicator.
11.30	Session 4	<b>The Decision and Beyond</b> Constitutionality and the principles of natural justice, the process of decision making as well as enforcement and practical issues following the decision.
12.10	Session 5	<b>Construction Adjudication Around the World</b> Adjudication in other jurisdictions such as UK and Northern Ireland, Australia, Canada, Hong Kong etc. It also explains adjudication under the FIDIC contracts and the use of Dispute Avoidance/Adjudication Boards (DAABs).
12.50		<b>Q&amp;A</b>
13.00		<b>Close</b>

