



The Society of Construction Law is delighted to invite you to a seminar on:

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019**

**17.30 for a 18.00 start**

at Blake Morgan LLP, One Central Square, Cardiff CF10 1FS  
Chair: Sean Gibbs/Rachel Gwilliam

**Marion Smith QC and Melissa Shipley**

**of 39 Essex Chambers**

will present

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*Courts and tribunals, arbitrators and adjudicators, all have different rules and approaches to factual and expert evidence. Although there are some common themes and approaches, a run of recent cases suggests there are many issues still to be discussed. By looking at these cases, Marion Smith QC and Melissa Shipley will consider issues like: who is an expert? When will adverse inferences be drawn? What is an "unbiased" opinion? Do I have to challenge this witness?*



Marion Smith QC specialises in commercial and construction disputes and has extensive litigation experience before domestic courts and tribunals and in international arbitration, including under the Rules of the ICC, LCIA and LMAA and the UNCITRAL Arbitration Rules. She has been appointed as sole and co-arbitrator and an expert determiner. She is a Visiting Senior Lecturer in the School of International Arbitration at Queen Mary University, London and a Professional Fellow of Aston University. She is a trustee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and a member of the International Committee of the Bar Council of England and Wales.



Melissa Shipley's practice is focussed on construction disputes in a variety of forums, including international arbitration, UK litigation and adjudication. She acts across a wide range of construction sectors in the UK and internationally, including transport, oil and gas, renewable energy and domestic and commercial building projects. Examples of recent work include acting for the contractor in a multi-million dollar SIAC arbitration arising out of the rehabilitation, design and construction of a road in Asia.

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