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#### Why the Emerald Book - A New International Form of Contract for Underground Works

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# WEBINAR









Why the Emerald Book - A New International Form of Contract for Underground Works

#### A New International Form of Contract for Underground Works',

A Construction Manager's Viewpoint





The Presentations



In 2 Parts:

Part 1/2 The Main Purpose and Differences in the Sub-Clauses to other FIDIC Sub-Clauses

> Part 2/2 Calculating the Time for Completion



A Procurement Lawyer's Viewpoint



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> Questions & Answers

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### Why The Emerald Book ? Introduction

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Let's Get Back to Basics > Avoiding Collapses



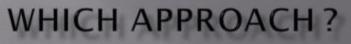
The Employer



Who is taking the risk for consequential damages ?



The Contractor



The problem then becomes apparent when trying to correlate the individual details to clarify the distribution of risk:

#### Documents:

Governing Law & RegulationsInvitation to TenderPackagesGeneral & SpecificFIDIC DesConditions of ContractSpecific CoEmployer's Requirements§ 1 to § xxxDrawings100/25/350Technical SpecificationsClauses 10Appropriate StandardsISO / BS / ISchedules: Activity DescriptionsMilestonesReference DocumentsAs describeCorrespondenceLetters EMContractor's TenderFinder

#### Table of Contents:

Packages 1,2,3,4 FIDIC Design -Build Specific Conditions § 1 to § xxx,yyy,zzz 100/25/350 Rev.C etc Clauses 100 to 900 ISO / BS / DIN / ASTM

As described Letters EM date CN date

Submission Package

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#### Finding the Relevant Information

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A Typical Contract 70 kg +



Etc.etc



#### Hallo Everybody

This presentation has been prepared in <u>2 distinct parts</u> as the subject matter assumes that the reader has a **basic understanding** of the existing Rainbow Suite of Books 2017 Editions and wishes to further understand what are the **reasons** and **key differences** between the **existing** Rainbow Suite and the New and **Amended** Sub-Clauses in the **Emerald Book 1<sup>st</sup> Edition 2019**.

The *Emerald Book* is a Joint Publication by FIDIC and ITA and considerable effort has been undertaken to introduce many *key additions* which need an understanding both of the conditions of working in an *underground environment* as well as the generally accepted global FIDIC conditions of contract.



#### Consequently the reader needs to understand:

- 1 The vocabulary adopted which differs in places to the other FIDIC Books;
- 2 What needs to be prepared before signing a contract;
- 3 The process of agreeing what the baseline assumptions are at tender stage and
  - How these are

adjusted in the case of changed physical conditions of the ground during the execution of the Works; and

4 The reasoning for determining any *adjustments in time and cost or not* due to the above.



In light of this complexity:

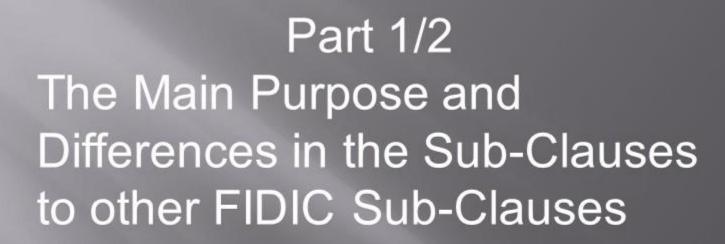
Part 1 will deal with the background and a summary of NEW or AMENDED Sub-Clauses compared to the Yellow and Red Books;

Part 2 will graphically illustrate how the changes in time and cost are determined.

The time allowance for each part is approximately 20-30 minutes including commentary and discussion where required.



A general questions and answers session will be provided at the end of Part 2 of the presentation.



Other FIDIC Sub-Clauses

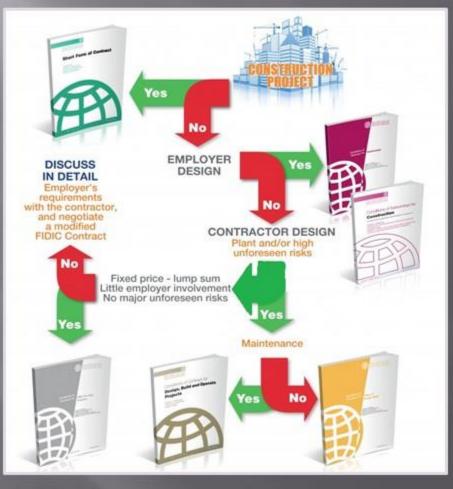


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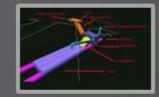


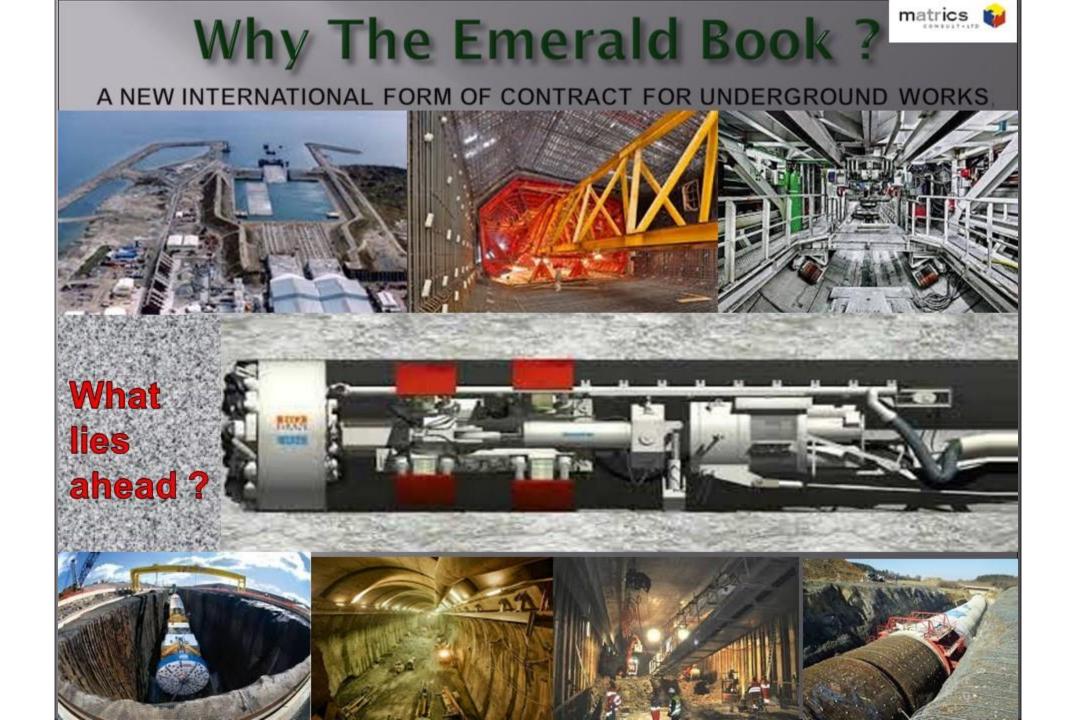
General Conditions: All Types of Construction for UndergroundWorks Particular Conditions: Specific Types of Applicable Alternative Situations

Typical Standard Forms of FIDIC Contracts



#### The missing link







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#### Why The Emerald Book ?

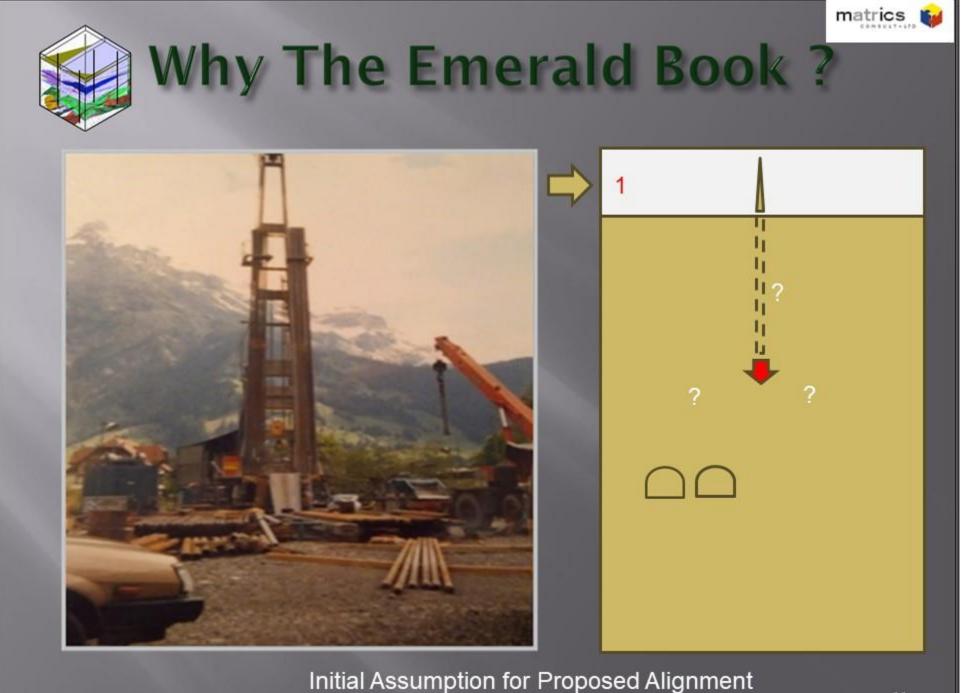


List of Sub-Clauses of these Conditions of Contract for Underground Works, First Edition 2019, that are new or different (amended) from the Sub-Clauses in the Conditions of Contract for Plant and Design Build, 2017 Edition:

(Errata corrections are <u>underlined</u> as appropriate).



Not Base for The Partial Inclusion The recommended Emerald Book Emerald Book Emerald Book





4.12 Unforeseeable Physical Conditions In this Sub-Clause, "physical conditions"

means natural physical conditions, physical obstructions (natural or man-made),

pollutants and reactions of the ground to Excavation <u>and Lining Works \*</u>

which the Contractor encounters at the Site during execution of the Works,

including subsurface and hydrological conditions

#### but excluding

climatic conditions at the Site and the effects of those climatic conditions

\* Amendment (underlined) vs. the text issued in Emerald Book version 2019

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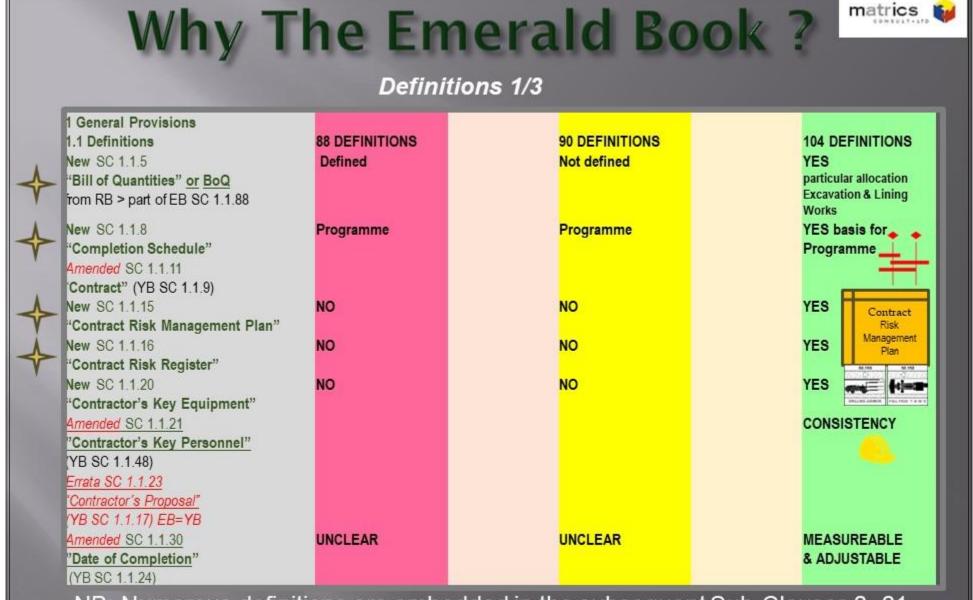
**Red Book** Yellow Book **Emerald Book** (RB) 2017 (YB) 2017 (EB) 2019 ISSUES CONSEQUENCE ACTION CONSEQUENCE 1.03 Main Sub-Clauses (SC) Different from CONSEQUENCE ISSUES the Yellow Book (YB) Conditions of Contract to Construction Plant and Design Build Table of Contents: (Marked in green and states where different to Rainbow Suite) 1.5 PAGES & 3 5 PAGES & 3 PAGES 4.5 PAGES & 3 PAGES Acknowledgements, Notes PAGES SEQUENCE OF SEQUENCE OF (16 pages + i-vi) SEQUENCE OF VENTS **EVENTS** EVENTS 132 PAGES General Conditions: Clauses 1-21. 128 PAGES 138 PAGES Appendix DAAB (pages 1-138) 68 PAGES Guidance for the Preparation of Particular<sup>65 PAGES</sup> 95 PAGES Conditions (pages 1-95) Annexes: Example Forms of Securities Guidance for the Preparation of Tender Documents & Annexes (20 pages 73-93) 1 General Aspects; NONE NONE 7 PAGES 2 Central Principles, Underground Works; 3 PAGES **EXTENSIVE 22 PAGES** 3 Pre-Contract Actions by the Employer; 2.5 PAGES 4 Employer's Tender Documents Appendix A: The Geotechnical Baseline Report (pages 85-90) NONE 2 PAGES Annexes: Example Schedule of Baselines, NONE (Excavation & Lining),( pages 92&93) NONE NONE 2 PAGES Completion Schedule, (p 94) Schedule of Contractor's Key Equipment, (p 95) Forms of Letter of Tender, Letter of Acceptance, **Contract Agreement** & DAAB Agreement (pages i-vi)

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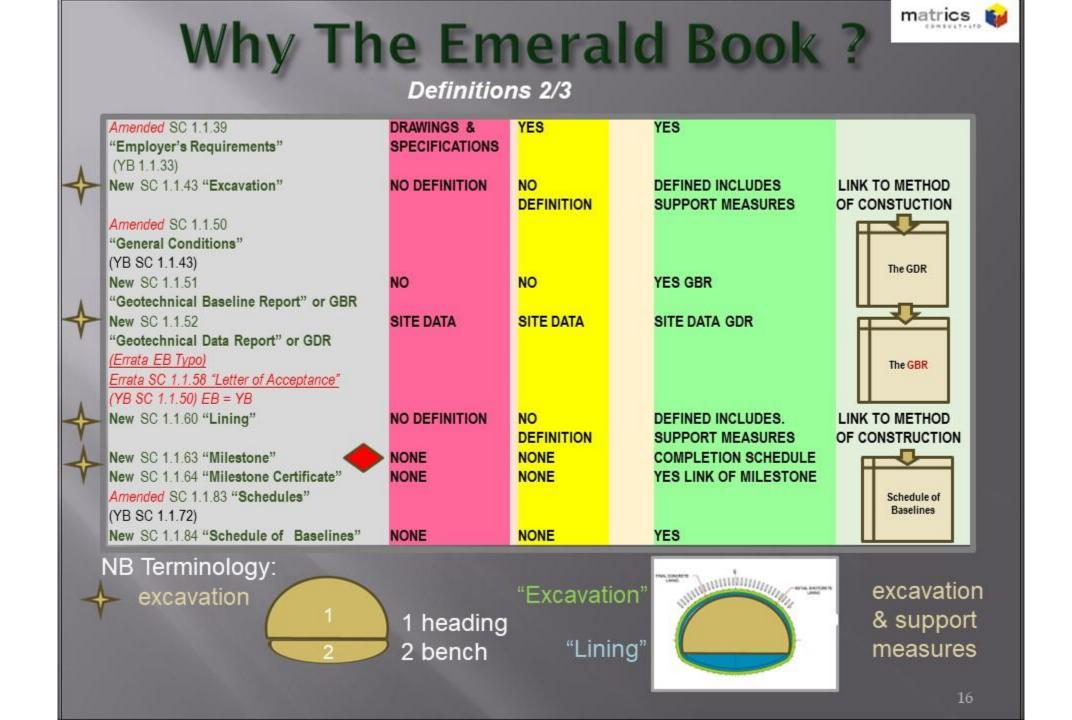
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#### **General Overview**

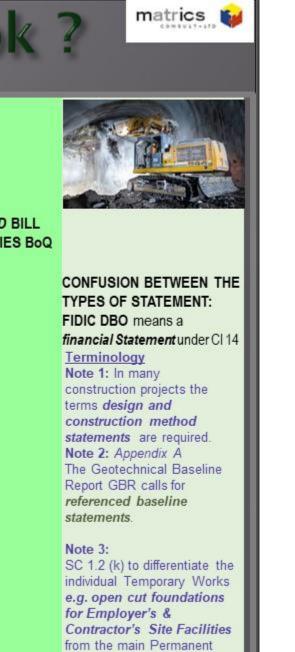
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NB: Numerous definitions are embedded in the subsequent Sub-Clauses 2 -21

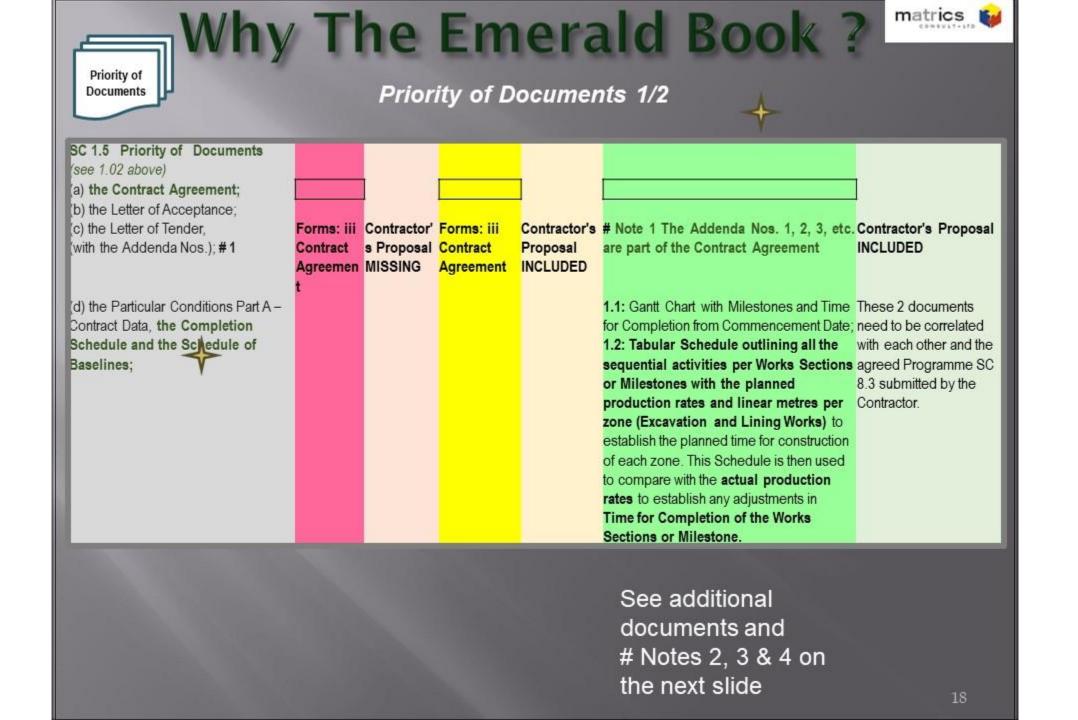


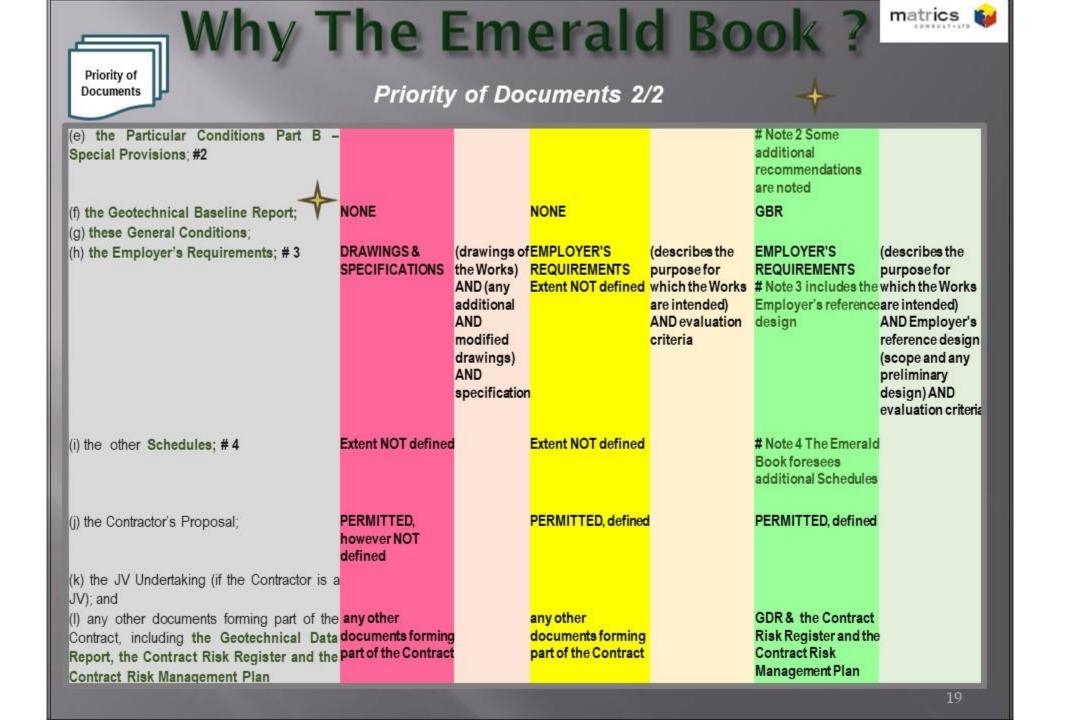
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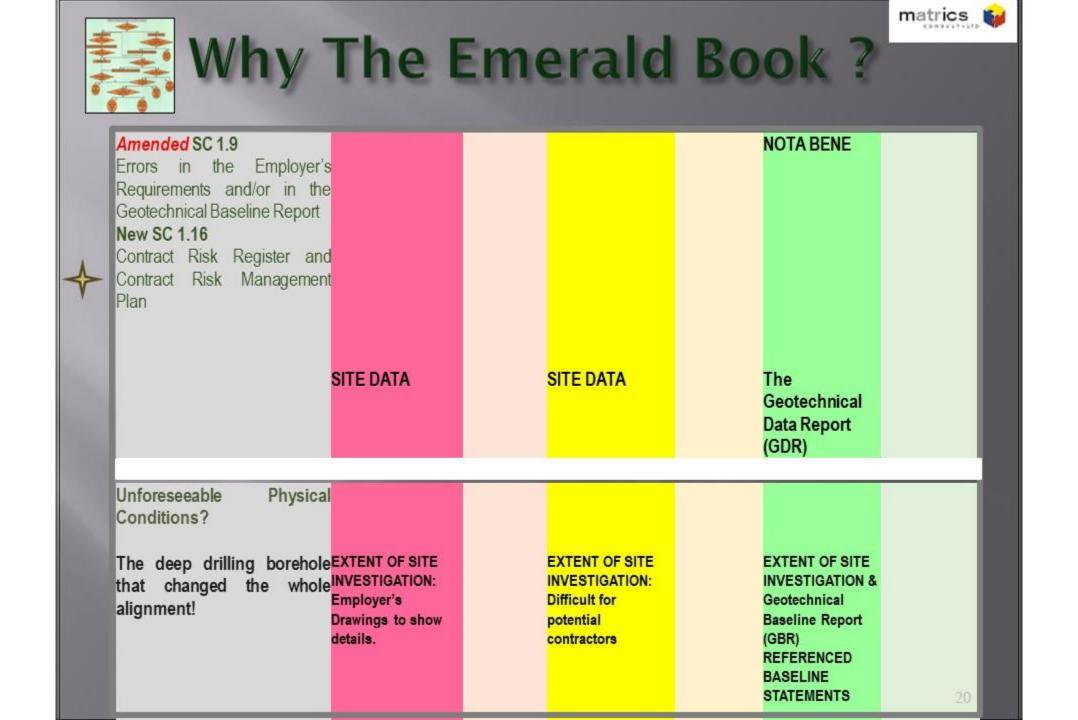


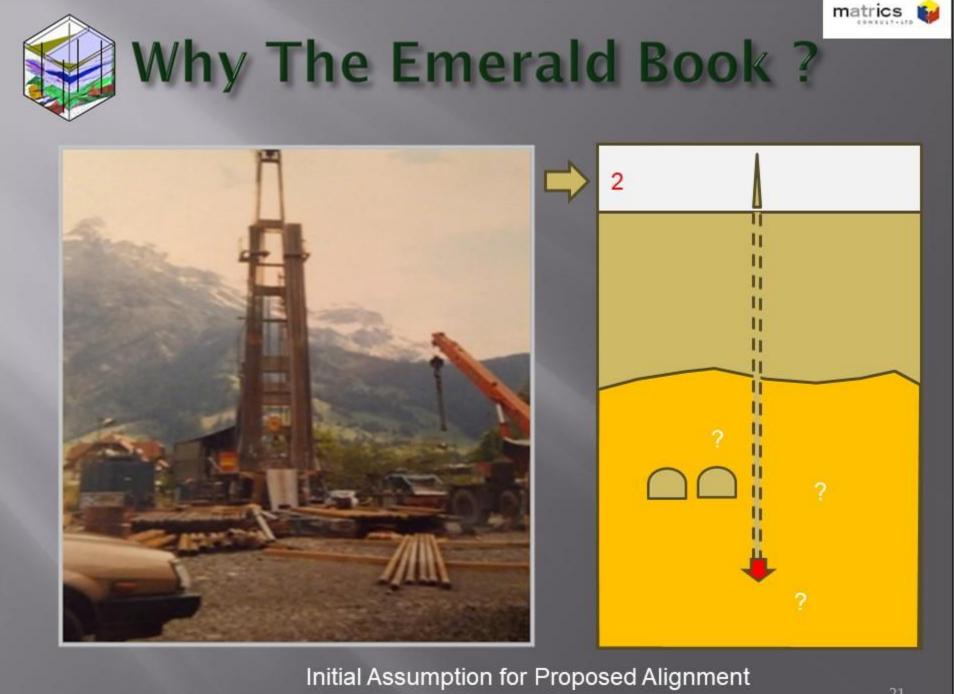
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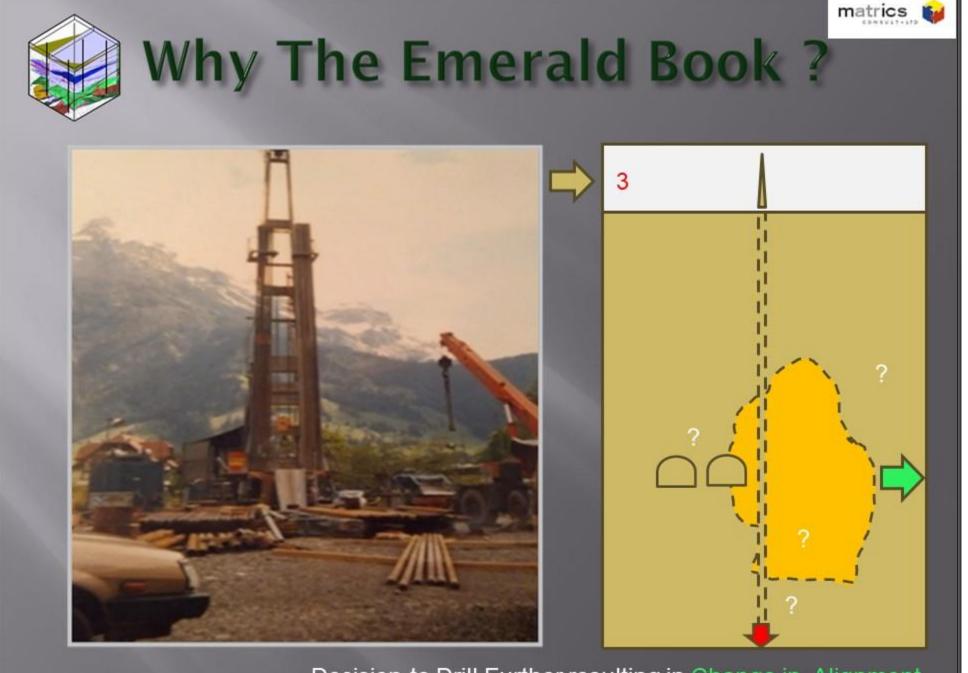
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"Statement"				TYPES OF STATEMENT:
(YB SC 1.1.79)				FIDIC DBO means a
				financial Statement under CI 1
Amended SC 1.1.94				Terminology
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(YB SC 1.1.84)				terms design and
Amended SC 1.1.99				construction method
"Time for Completion"				statements are required.
(YB SC 1.1.86)				Note 2: Appendix A
New SC 1.1.10				The Geotechnical Baseline Report GBR calls for
"Underground Works"				referenced baseline
Amended SC 1.1.101				statements.
"Unforeseeable"				
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Amended SC 1.1.102				individual Temporary Works
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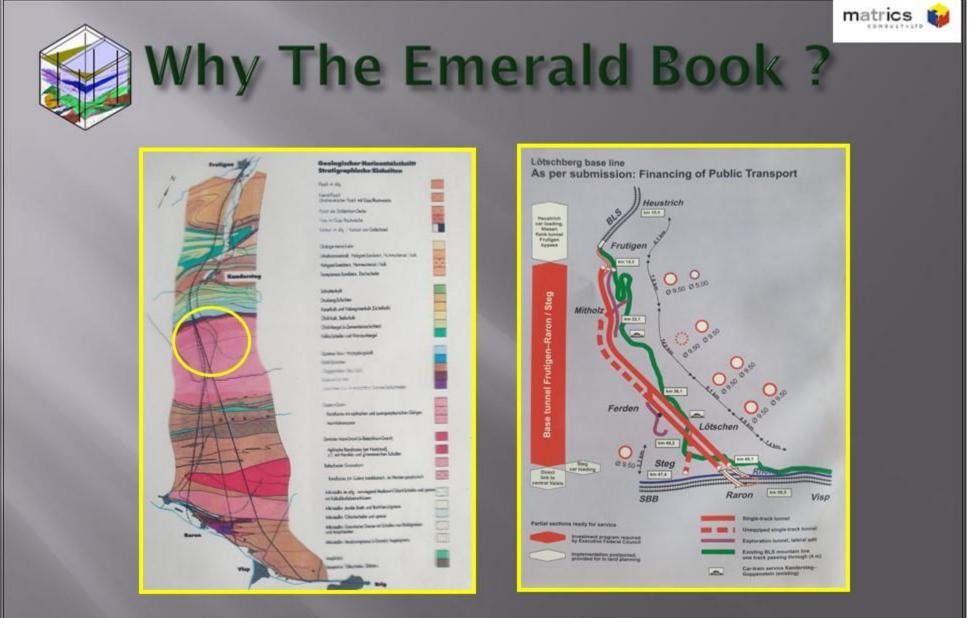








Decision to Drill Further resulting in Change in Alignment



The Most Economic Alignment is NOT necessarily the most direct or apparently cheapest route



2 The Employer Amended SC 2.5 Site Data and Items of Reference



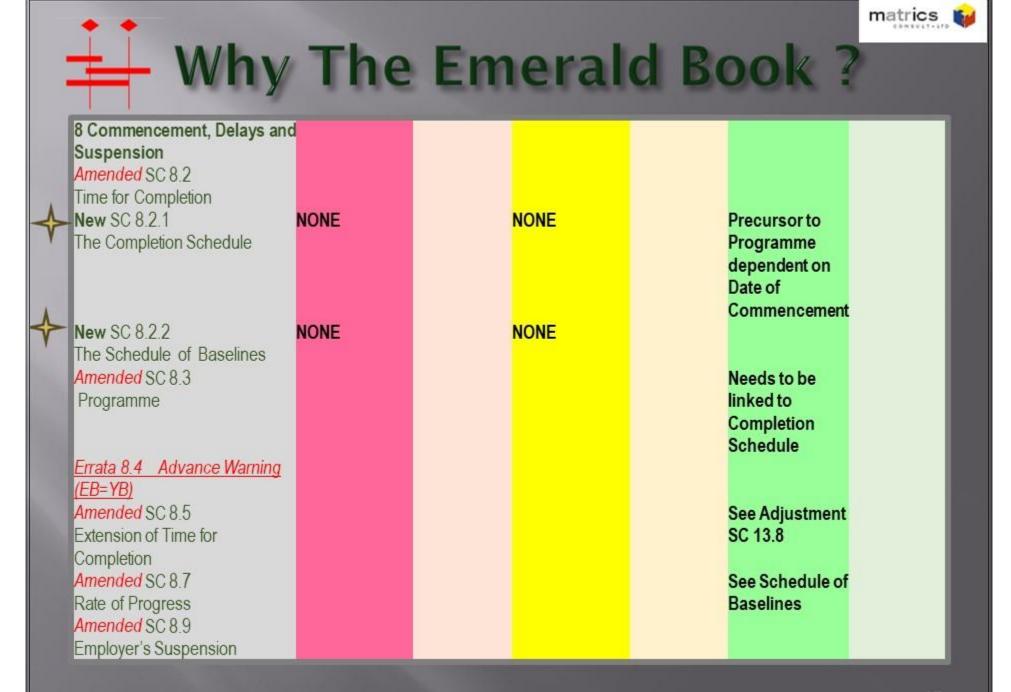
**3 The Engineer**  *Amended* SC 3.2.1 Engineer' General Duties and Authority New SC 3.2.2 Engineer's Specific Duties and Authority for Excavation and Lining Works

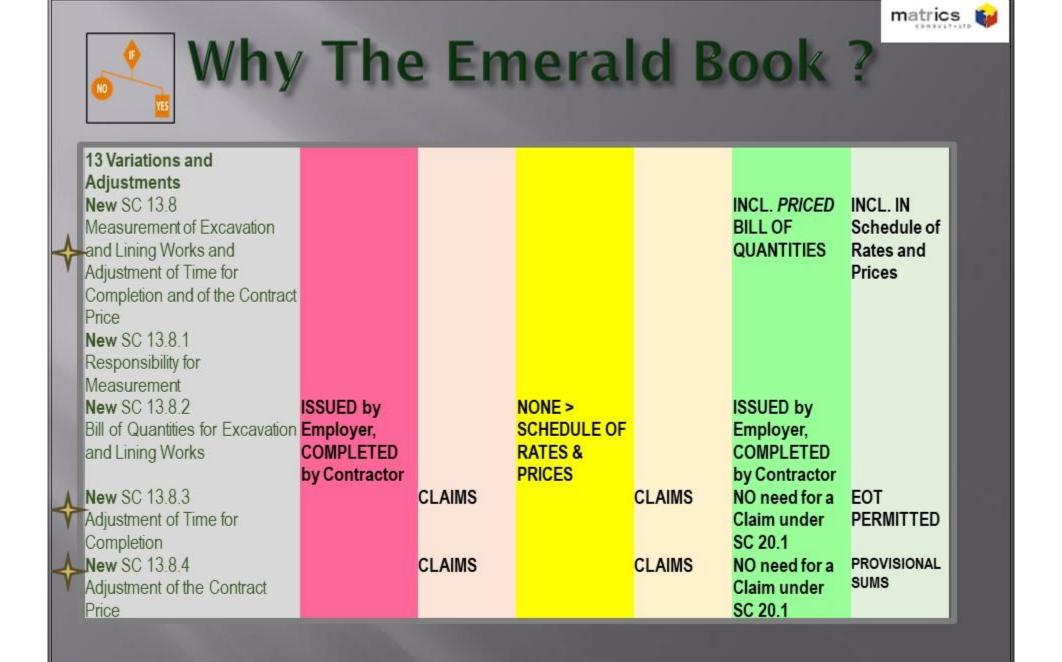


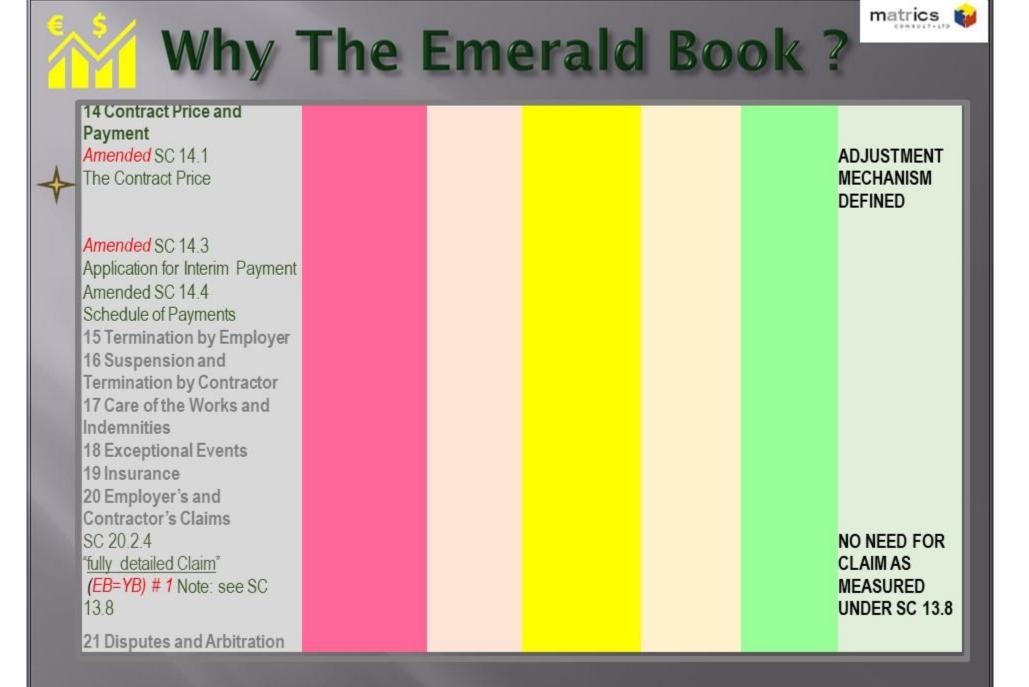


4 The Contractor New SC 4.10 Use of Site Data, of the Geotechnical Baseline Report and of the Geotechnical Data Report (a) including sub-(a) including sub-surface Use of GBR & New SC 4.10.1 conditions surface conditions GDR Use of Site Data subsurface New SC 4, 10, 2 Use of the Geotechnical Baseline Report New SC 4,10,3 Use of the Geotechnical Data Report Amended SC 4.11 Sufficiency of the Accepted Contract Amount Amended SC 4.12 Unforeseeable Physical Conditions Amended SC 4 12 1 Contractor's Notice Amended SC 4 12 2 Engineer's inspection and investigation Amended SC 4,12.5 Agreement or Determination of Delay and/or Cost Amended SC 4 16 Transport of Goods Amended SC 4 17 Contractor's Equipment Amended SC 4 20 Progress Reports New SC 4.24 Excavation and Lining Works New SC 4.25 Milestones

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<b>5 Design</b> Amended SC 5.1 General Design Obligations Amended SC 5.2 Contractor's Documents <b>6 Staff and Labour</b> Amended SC 6.1 Engagement of Staff an Labour 7 Plant, Materials an Workmanship		DETAIL DESIGN by Contractor	DETAIL DESIGN subject to Contract Agreement: Excavation & Lining defined and described in the GBR and Baseline Schedules						







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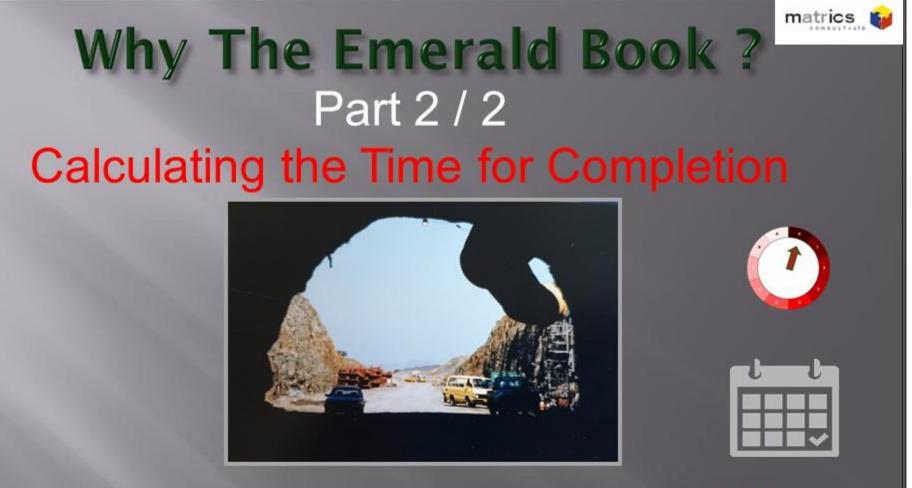


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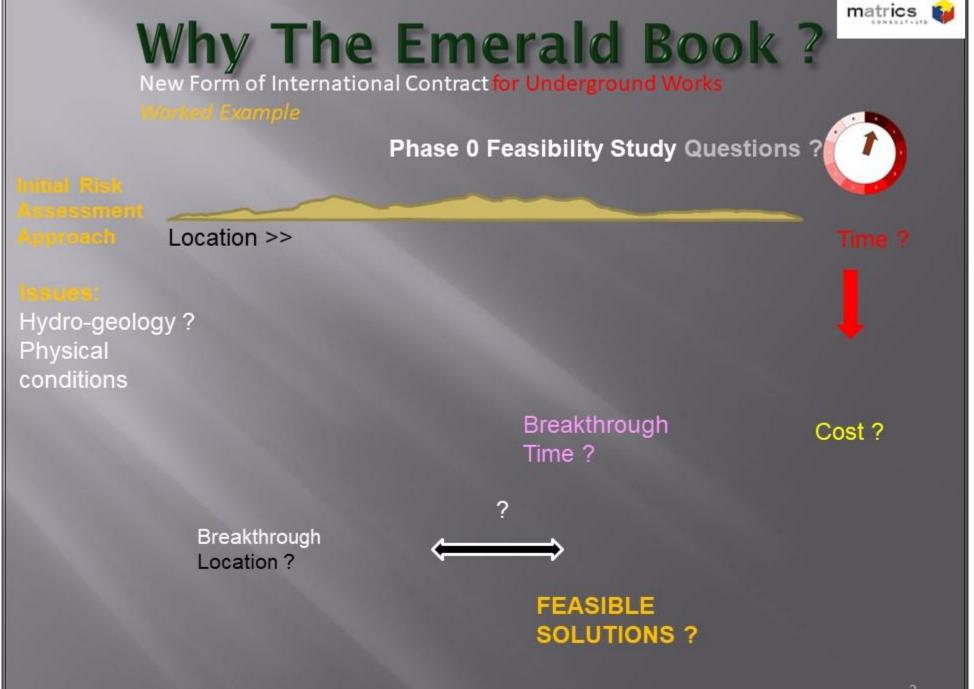
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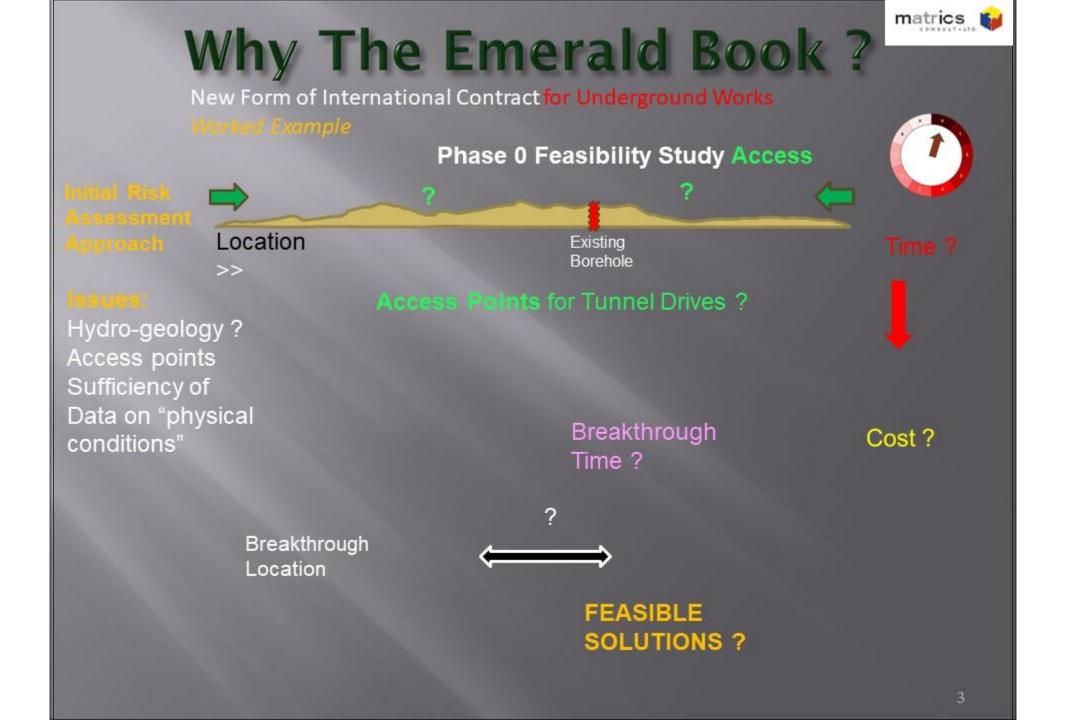


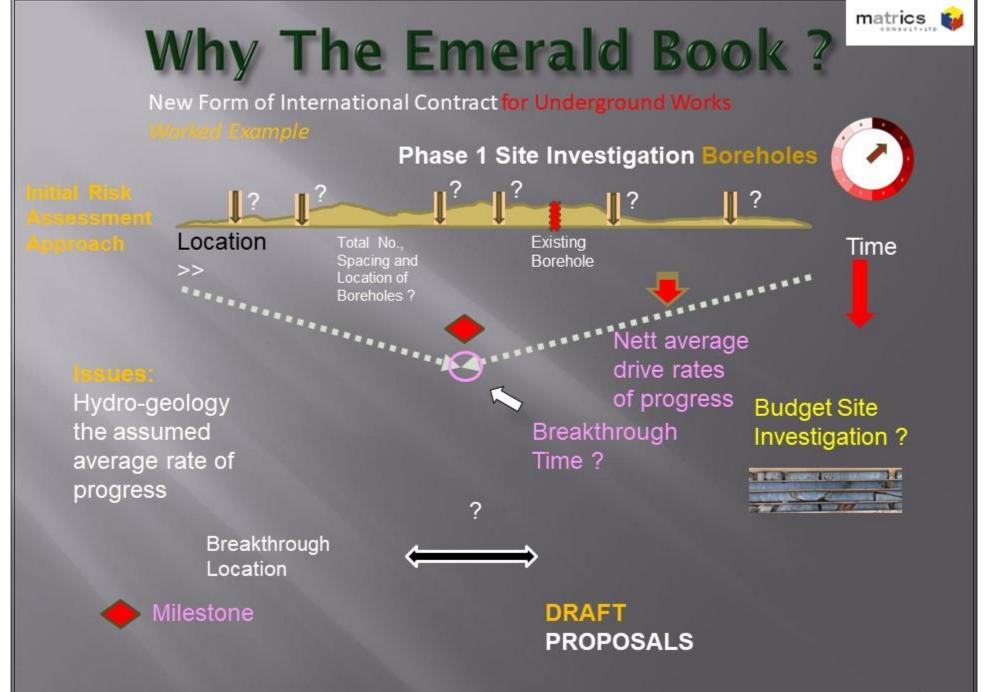
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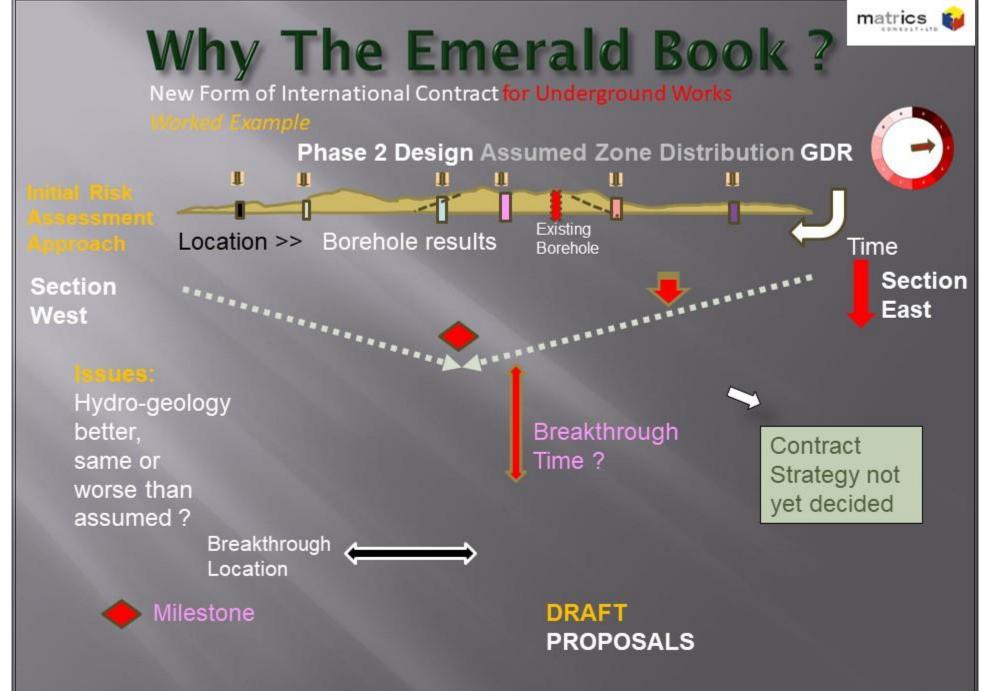


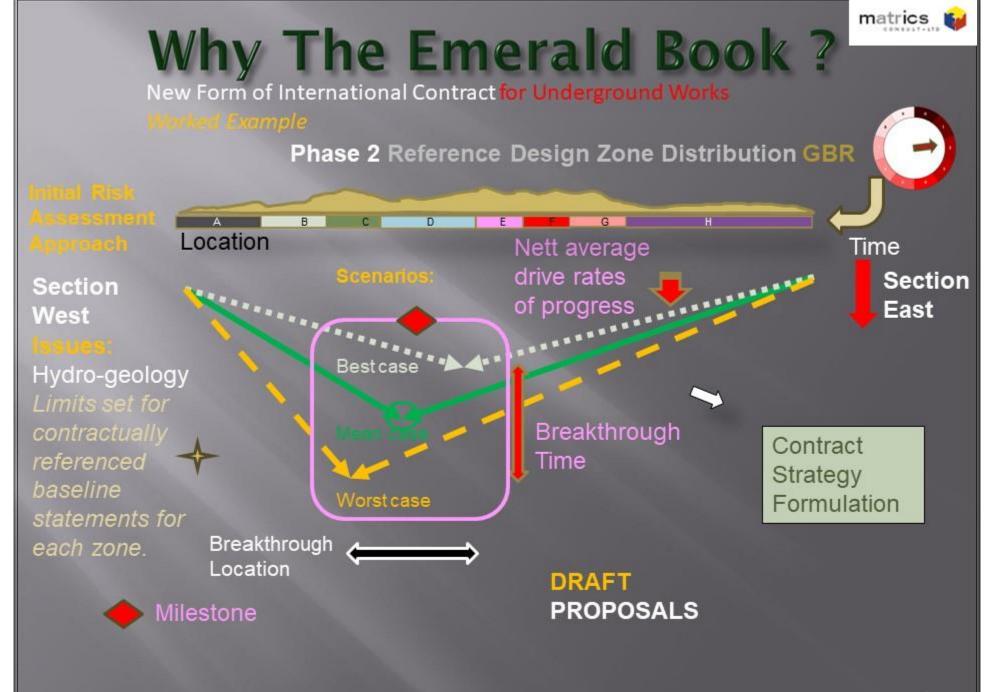
1.1.99 "Time for Completion" means the time for completing the Works, a Section or a Milestone (as the case may be) under Sub-Clause 8.2 [Time for Completion] as stated in the Completion Schedule, and as may be extended under Sub-Clause 8.5 [Extension of Time for Completion] or adjusted under Sub-Clause 13.8.3 [Adjustment of Time for Completion], calculated from the Commencement Date.

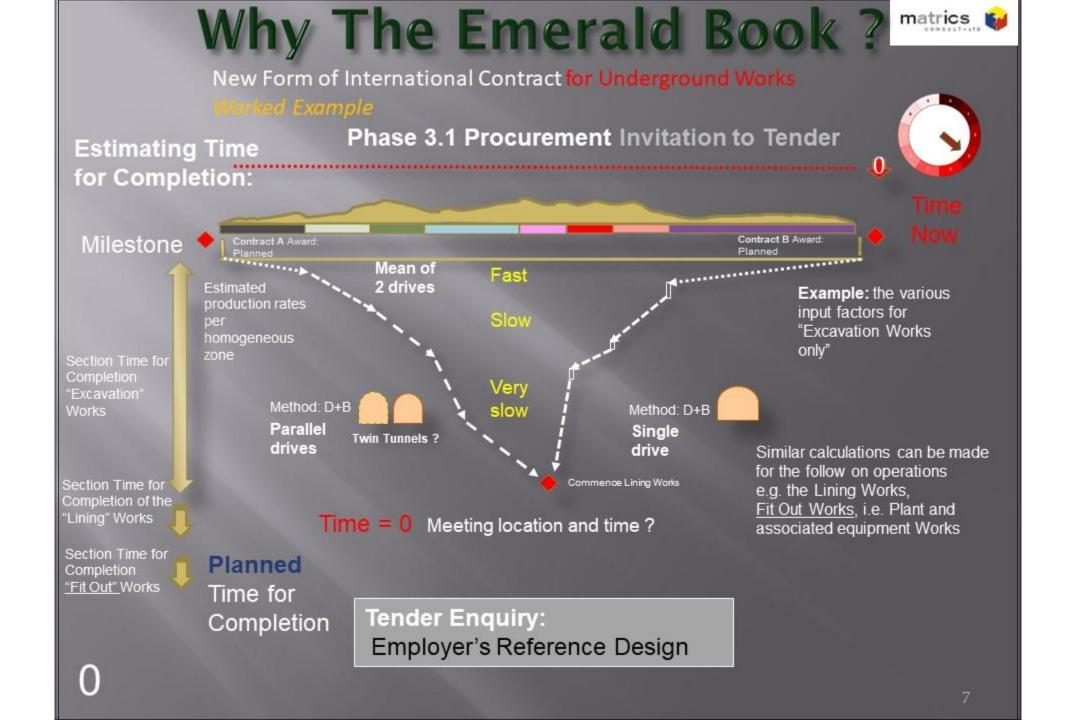


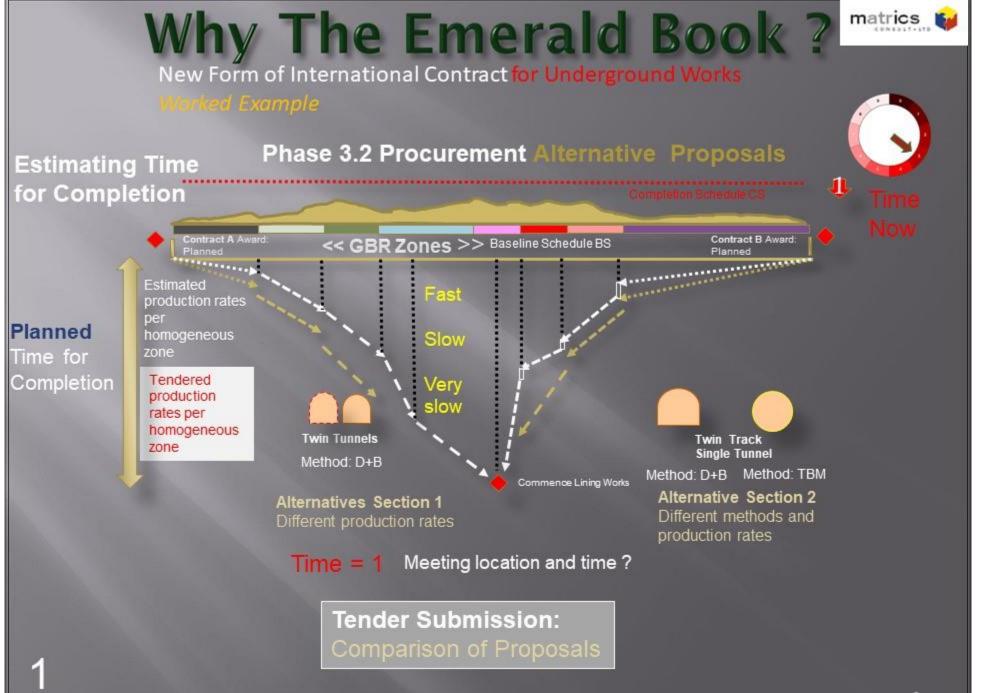


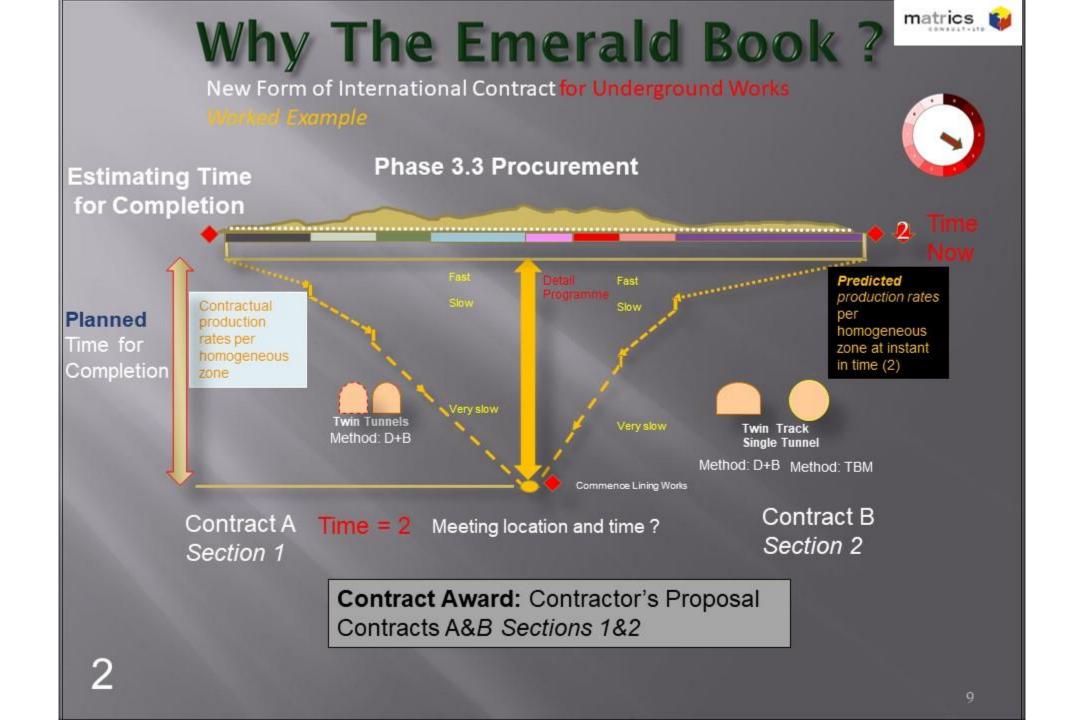


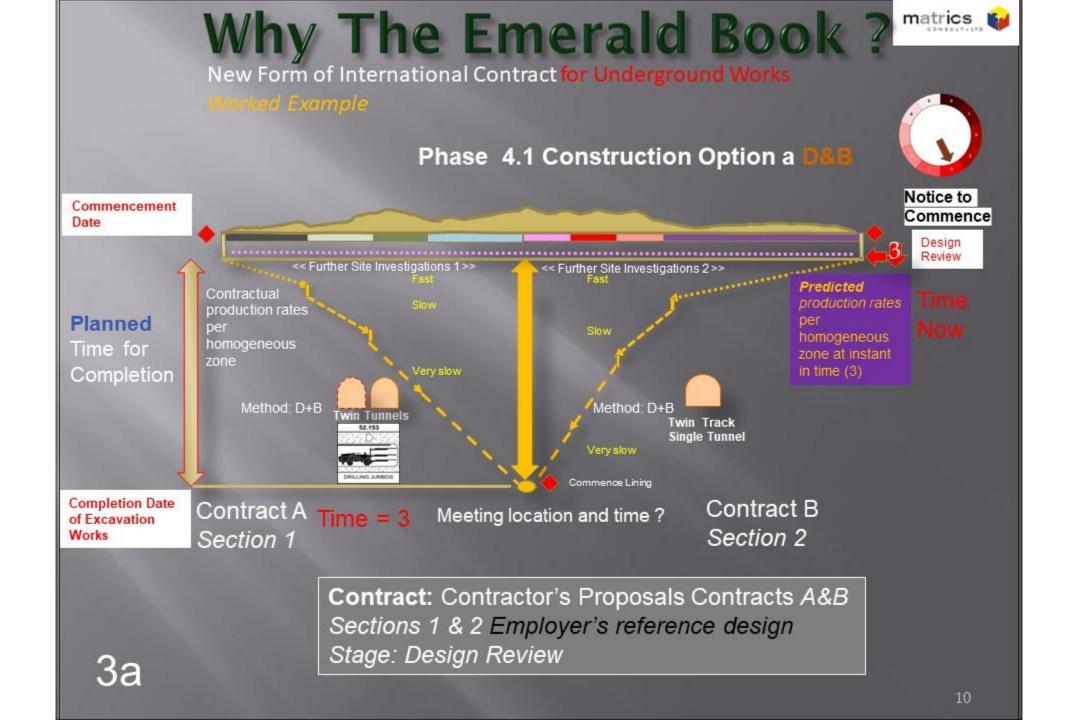


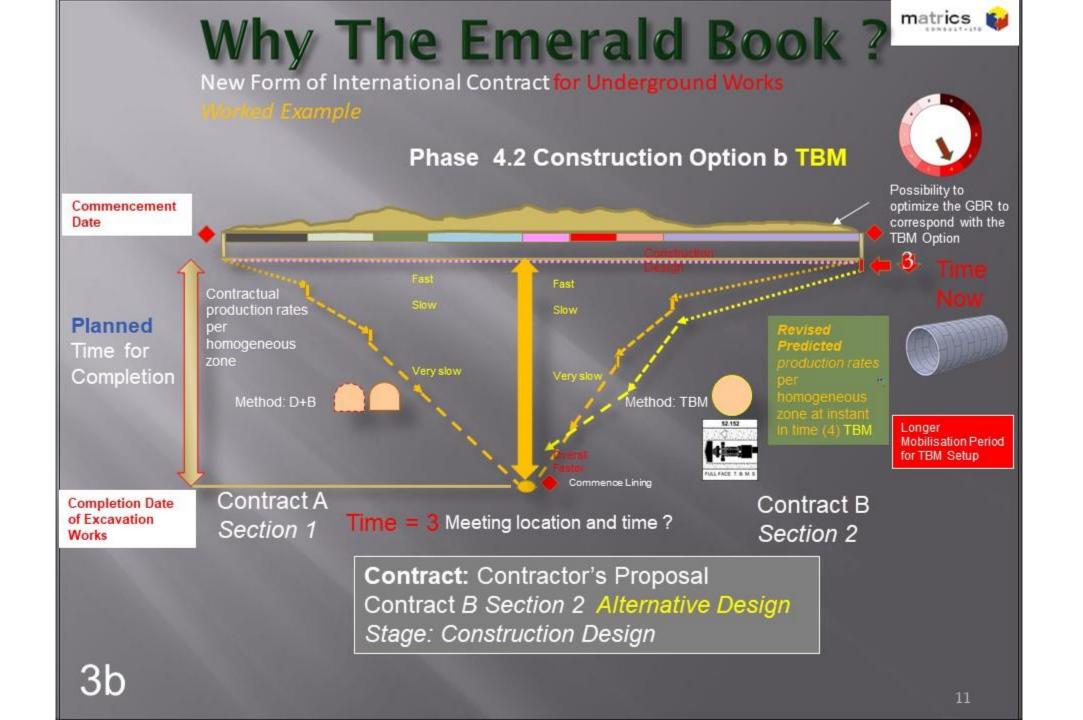


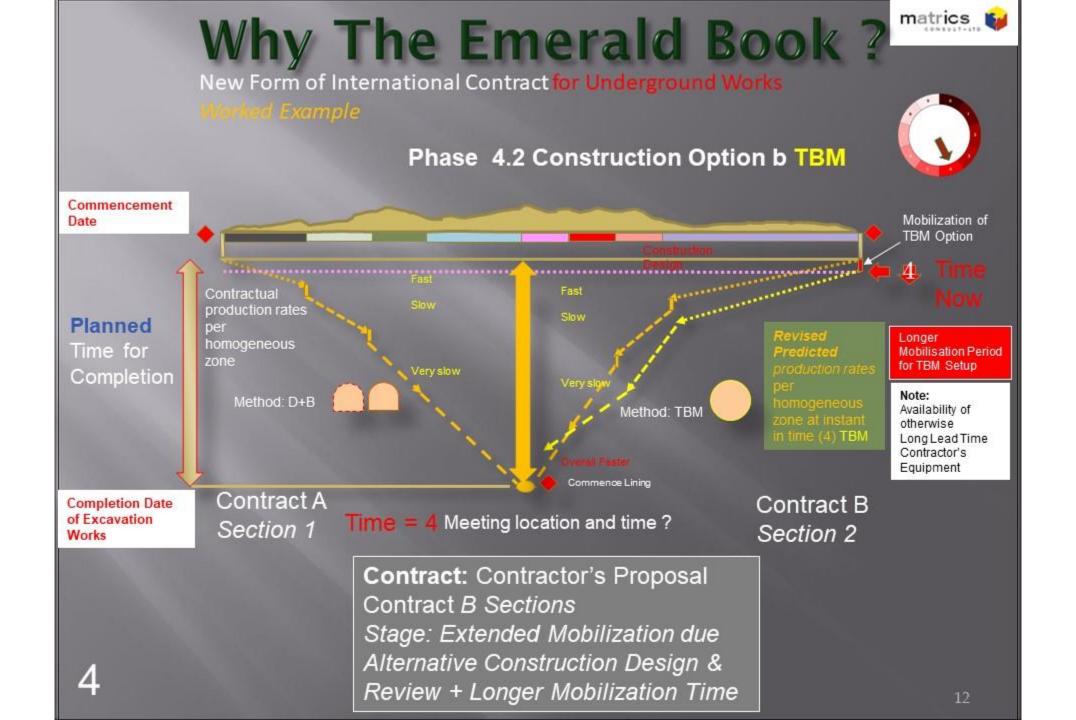


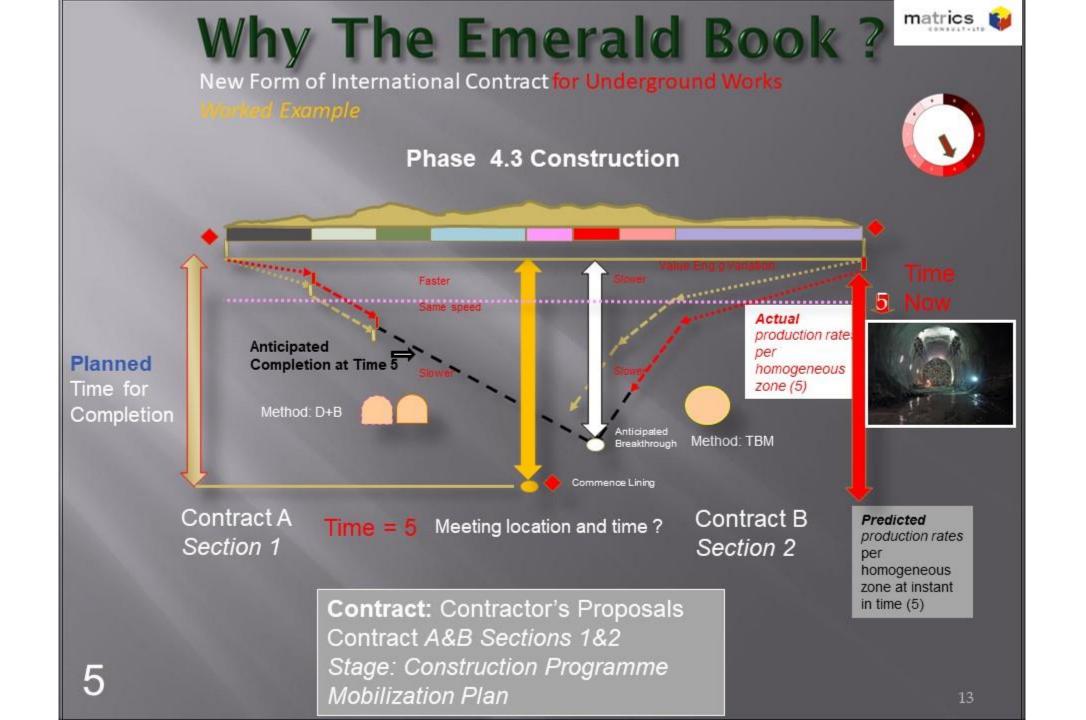


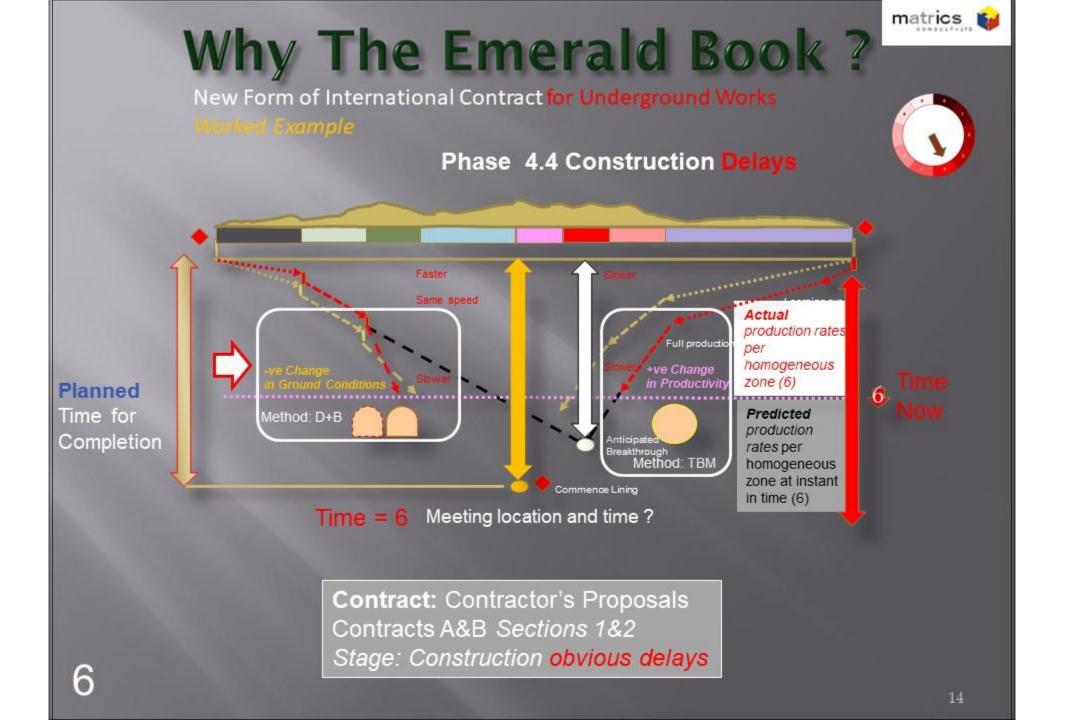


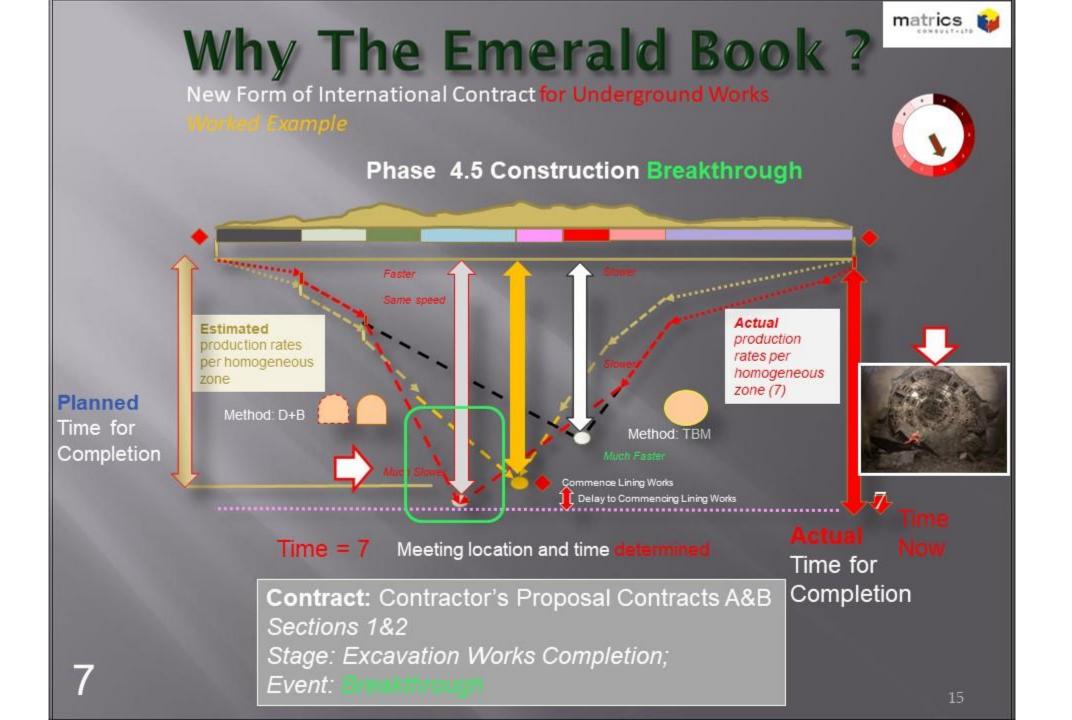


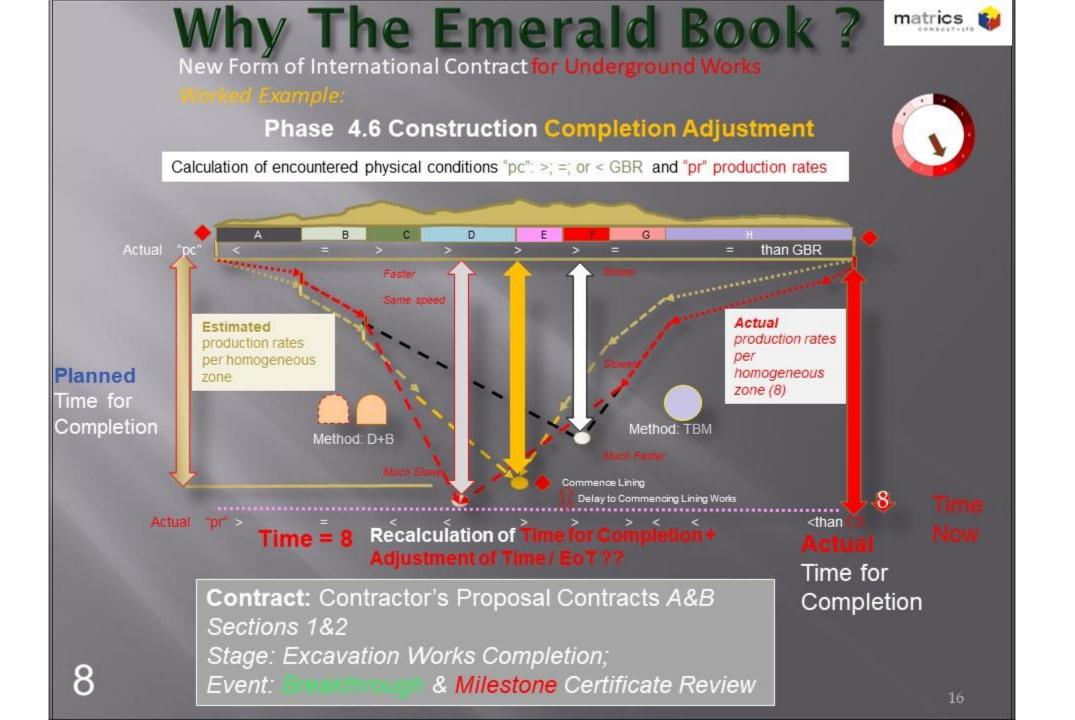


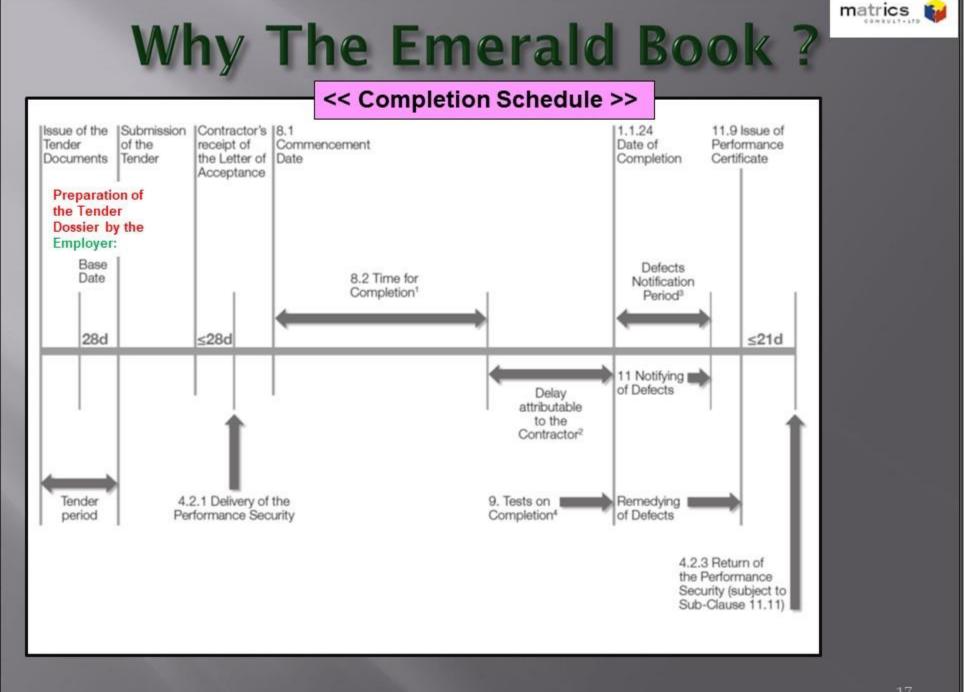


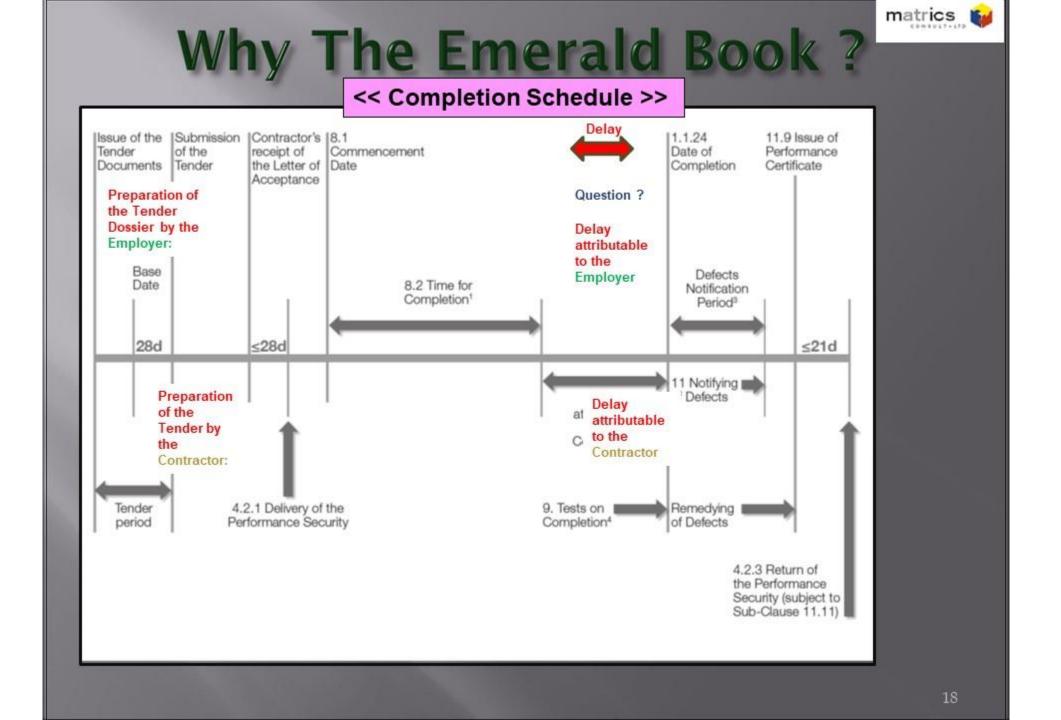


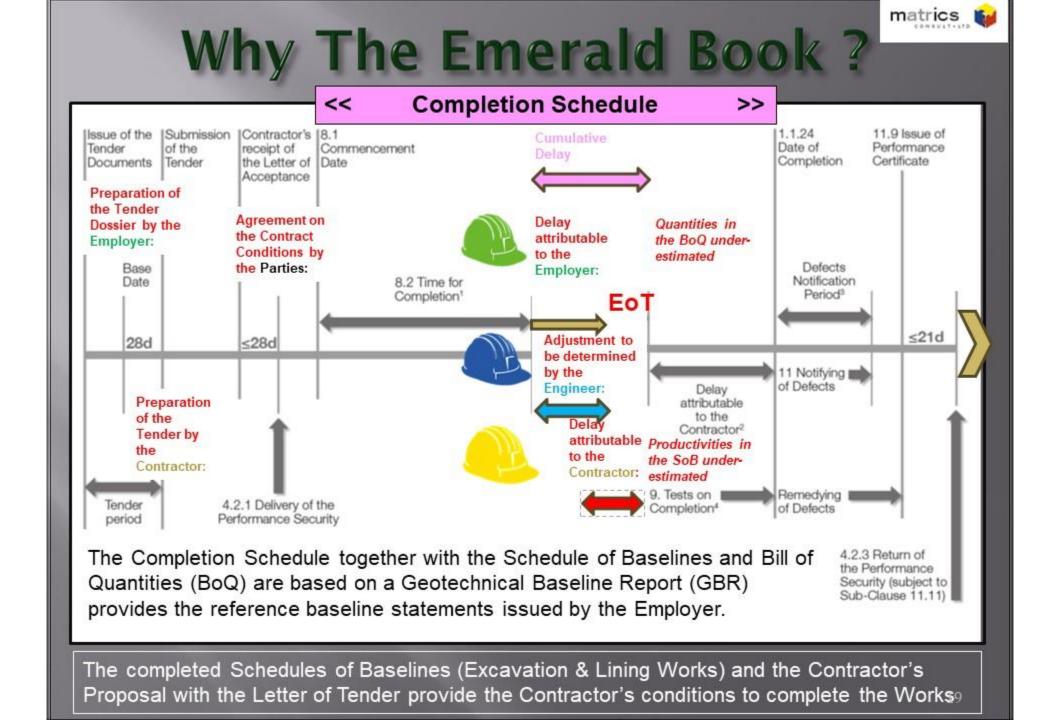


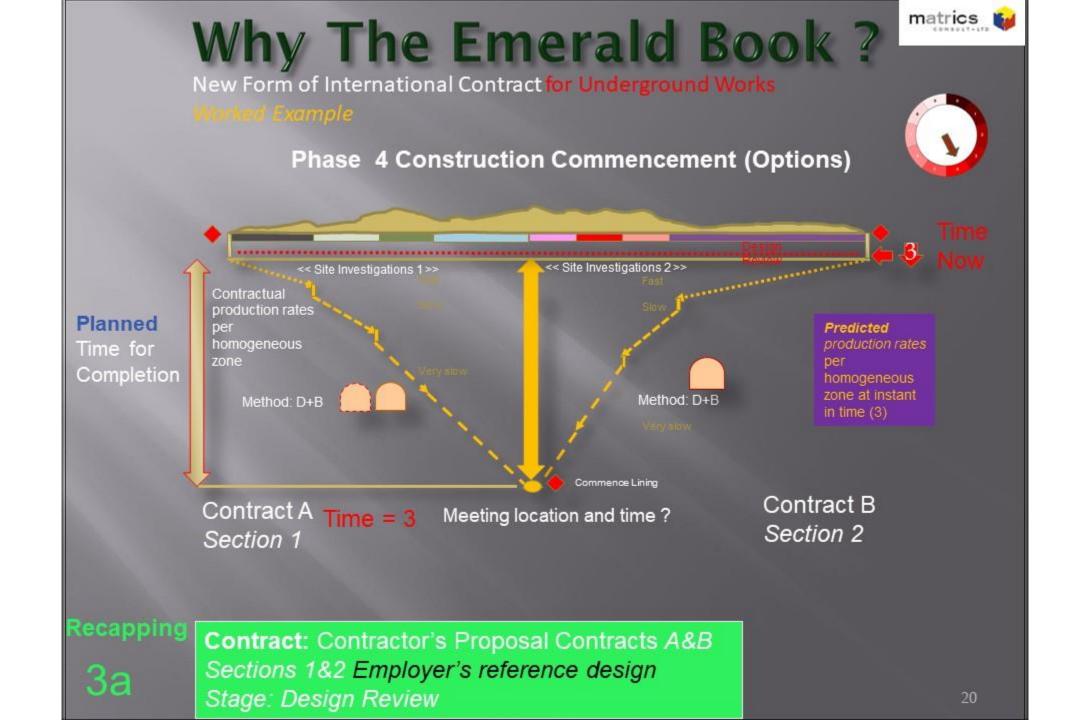


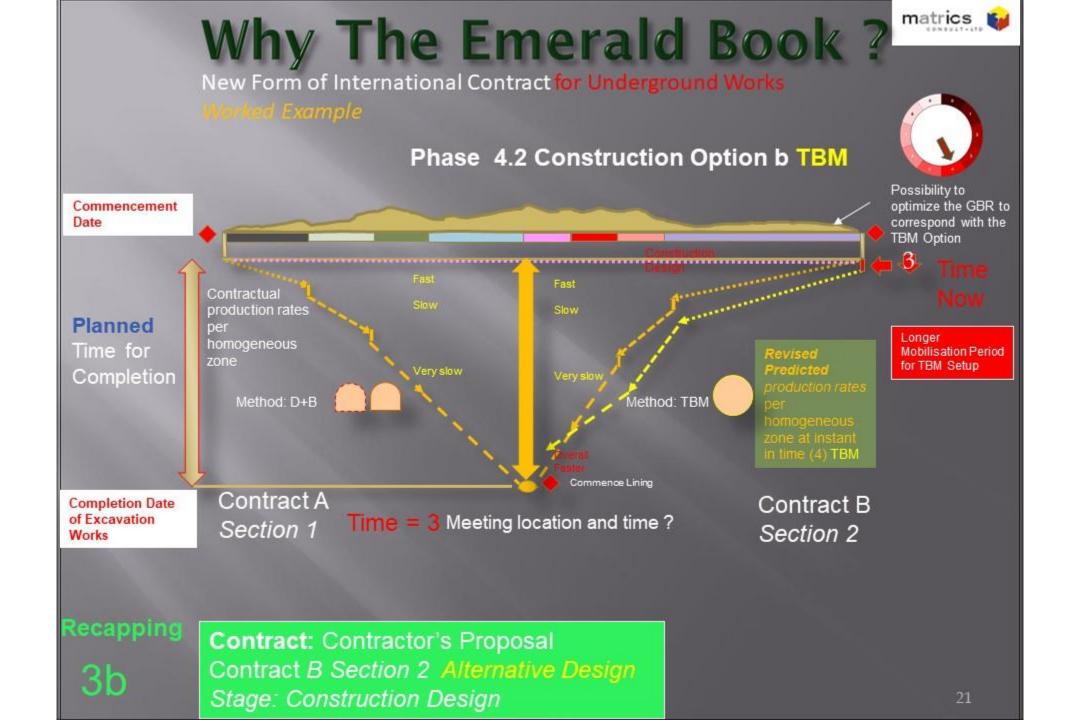


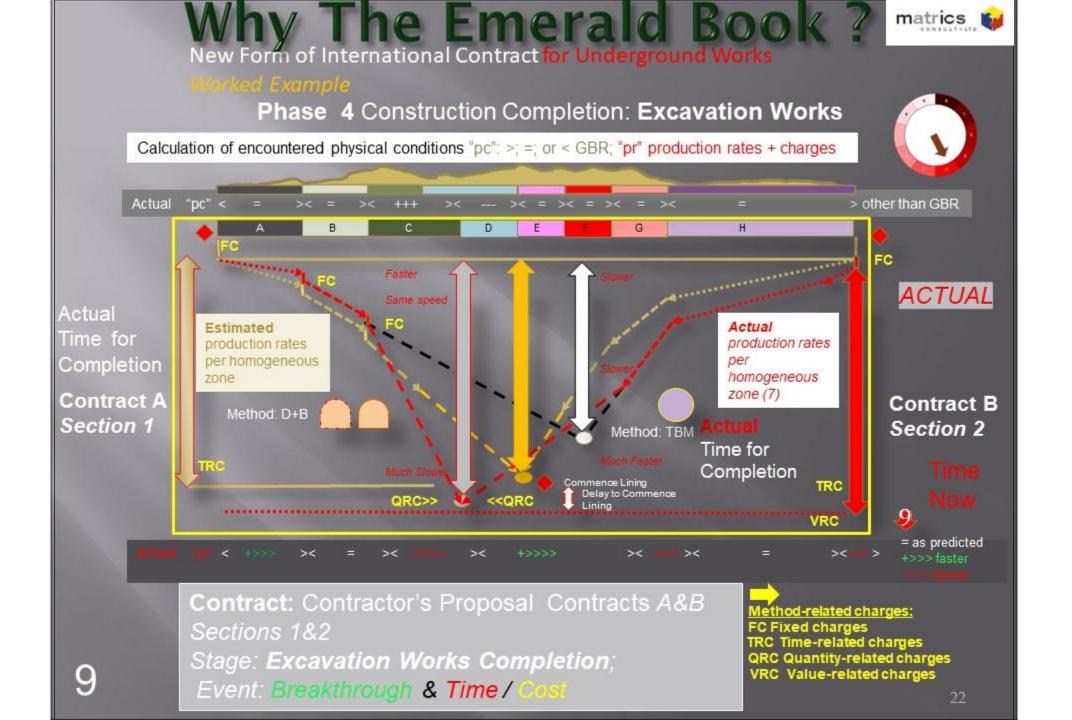


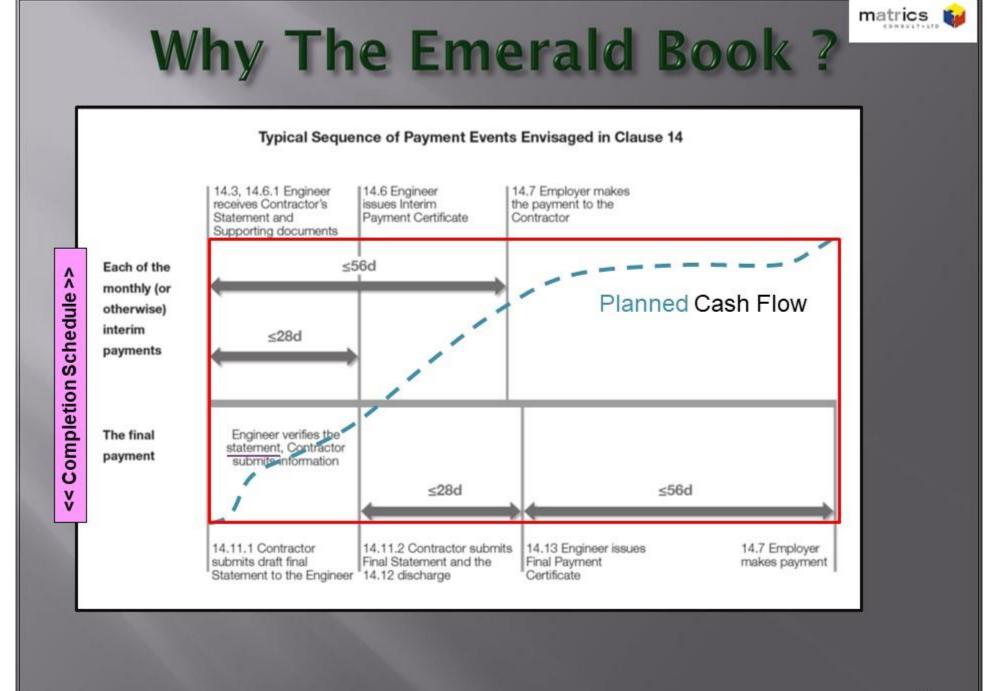


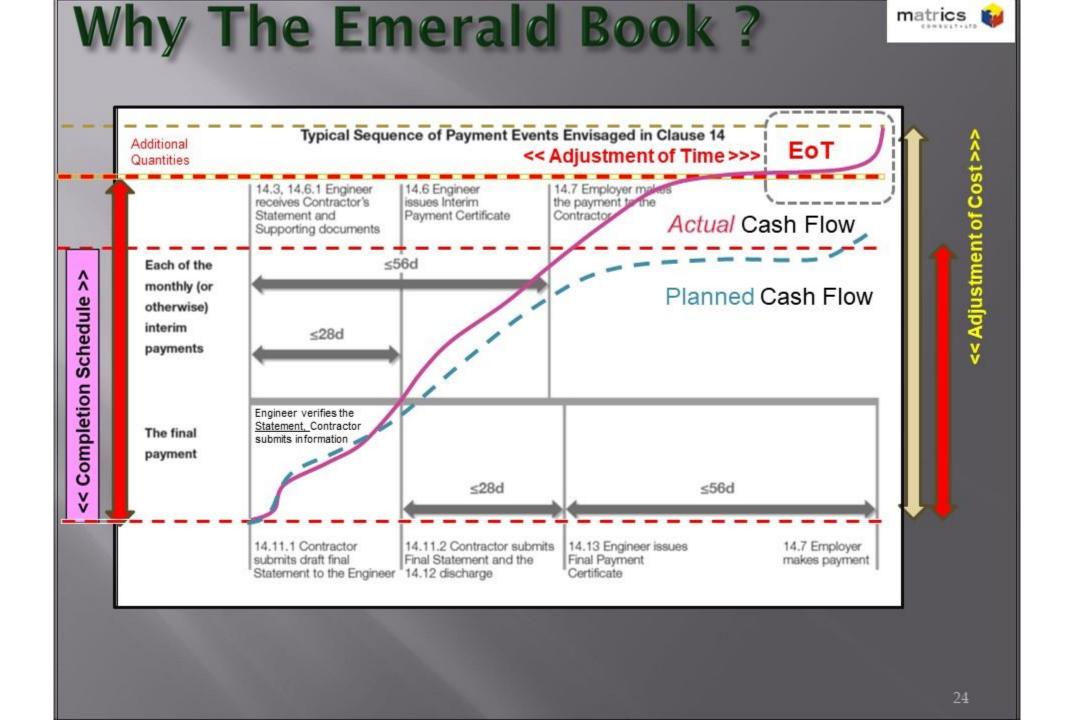












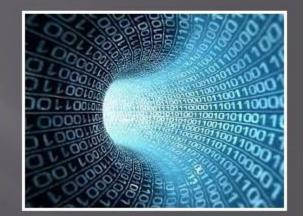


The Emerald Book provides the mechanism to distinguish between the risks to be allocated to the Employer and the Contractor in respect of both Time to Completion and



Cost to Completion

dependent on the degree of certainty defined during the Tender stage, as well as the calculation of *any* Extension of Time EOT relative to the Schedule of Baselines agreed at the time of Contract award.



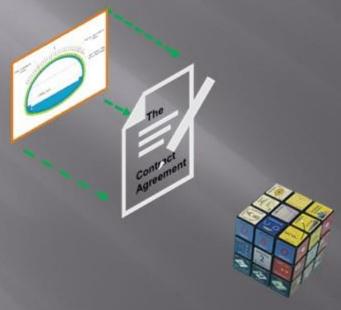
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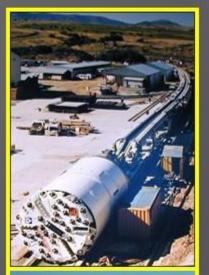
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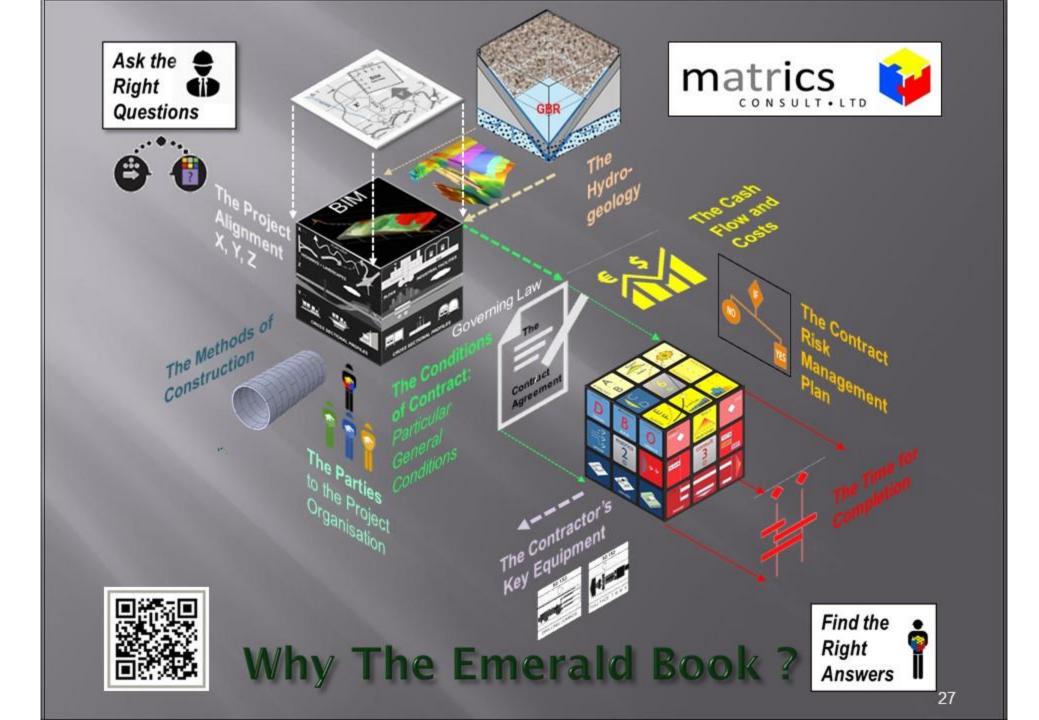
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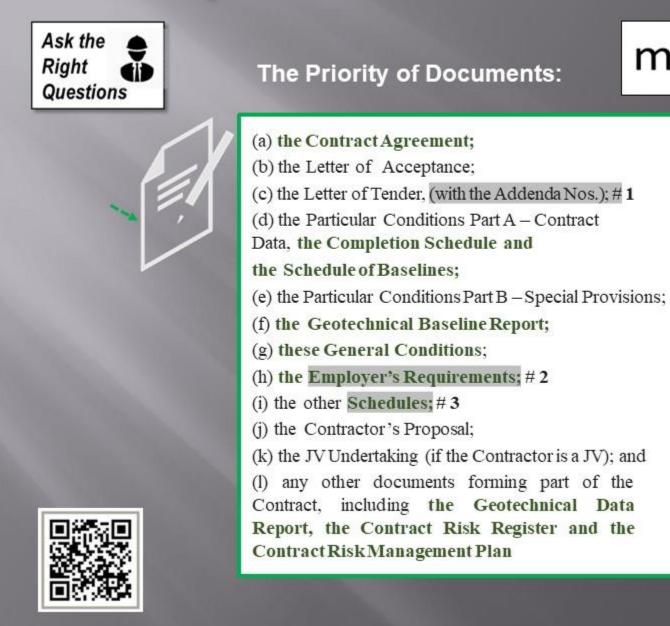












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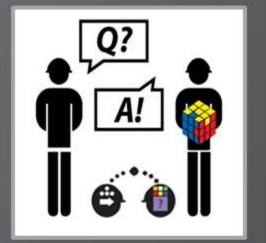
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#### Any Questions?







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# DISPUTE BOARDS IN THE TUNNELLING INDUSTRY



### **DRB v DAAB**



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#### Overview

- History of Avoiding and Resolving Dispute in the Tunnelling Industry
- Forms of Contract used by the Tunnelling Industry
- Dispute Review Boards (DRBs)
- Dispute Avoidance and Adjudication Boards (DAABs)
- DRB v DAAB
- Why Dispute Boards?



### History of Avoiding and Resolving Disputes in the Tunnelling Industry

- Dispute Board concept
- Used for the first time by the Tunnelling Industry
  - 1974 Better Contracting for Underground Construction
  - 1978 Better Management of Underground Construction Projects
  - 1989 Avoiding and Resolving Disputes in Underground Construction
  - 1989 **Contracting Practice for the Superconducting Super Collider:** "the use of <u>a professional review board</u> to settle claims and disputes that cannot be settled easily by normal contract administration procedures <u>before the completion of the works</u>"



Forms of Contract used by the Tunnelling Industry (1)

- National standards:
  - N. America (DB, DBF, DBF O&M)
  - Europe Austria, France, Germany, Italy, Portugal
  - Switzerland
  - Africa South Africa
  - Asia India

- International standards:
  - NEC
  - FIDIC
  - [...]



Forms of Contract used by the Tunnelling Industry (2) – Dispute Resolution

#### **Preferred resolution method:**

- litigation and/or arbitration:
  - US Michigan;
  - India Railway

• Dispute Boards:

- DRB USA\* (25 states in 2010\*\*), Switzerland, New Zealand
- DAB/DAAB FIDIC
- Adjudicator NEC3, NEC 4\*

#### \*Sr. Representatives before DB

\*\*'Dispute Resolution Boards (DRBs): Effective Resolution in the Construction Industry', Dick Fullerton



### Dispute Review Boards (DRBs) in Tunnelling

- The DRB is a unique, non-adversarial project management technique that is a proactive, dispute prevention and resolution method utilized during the course of construction seeking to resolve a dispute contemporaneously:
  - Encourages dispute avoidance (since 1975!) *standing*
  - Assists in the resolution of claims and disputes *standing and on-demand*



- Panel of 3 or more impartial neutrals with particular expertise and reputation:
  - Each party nominates one member
  - The two approved member select a third one for approval
  - The 3<sup>rd</sup> may become chair
  - Three-party agreement (Owner, Contractor, Board member)
- Upon request:
  - An informal hearing (disagreements) advisory opinion (oral)
    negotiations;
  - A formal hearing (disputes) non-binding recommendation



### Dispute Avoidance and Adjudication Boards (DAABs) – Emerald Book

- The DAAB is a project management tool, used to prevent and resolve disputes , comprising 1 or 3 independent and impartial persons selected by the parties, appointed at the commencement of a project
- introduced in 2017 edition of FIDIC Rainbow
- Adopted by Emerald Book



# DAAB v. DRB

#### **DAAB Emerald Book**

Yet to be tested (to our info)

- aims to resolve disputes as they arise;
- process potentially costly (EIC)

\*\*'Dispute Resolution Boards (DRBs): Effective Resolution in the Construction Industry', Dick Fullerton

#### **Dispute Review Board**

Tried & tested

- Colorado DOT\*\* standing DRBs program 2008 for projects over \$15mill.
  - Between 2008 2013:
    - only 13 claims DRB hearings;
      - 12 claims resolved;
      - 1 claim not resolved;
    - ALL other claims were prevented



- DB remains familiar with the project
- Dispute avoidance attitude
- Parties choose Members
- Cost efficient
- Parties maintain control over the outcome
- Encourages good relationships
- Confidential
- The DB is PROACTIVE



# Conclusion\*\*\*

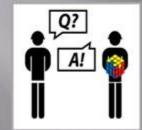
Records show convincingly that a **standing DB appointed at the commencement of the contract** greatly assists in the **avoidance of disputes** and the unnecessary referral of costly disputes (the outcome of which is never guaranteed)

# International Funding Agencies are convinced – many specify it in their contracts

\*\*\*Excerpt of DRBF A&P Training Workshop



#### **Questions** Time





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## **NEXT WEBINAR**



19 October 2023 | 11:00 AM UK (BST) Chevron's approach to Force Majeure with Steve Gibson of Chevron

and

**Risk identification and elimination as in-house counsel** With Rachel Gwilliam of Bouygues Energies & Services





# Thank You



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