

## Making law work for the construction and engineering industry

Sarah Schütte is a law graduate, practising Solicitor (England and Wales 2001), Solicitor-Advocate of the Higher Courts (All Courts of England and Wales 2007), Registered Mediator (accredited by CEDR and CMC), trainer and facilitator. She specialises in construction and engineering projects, infrastructure, technology and commercial development across the built environment. She is a Certified Associate of Project Management (CAPM), accredited by the Project Management Institute (PMI) in 2022 as Above Target in All Areas. Sarah is also the Co-Founder of Peridot Consulting International LLP. Sarah is based in London UK.

Sarah has had a tri-partite legal career over almost 25 years. After early years in private practice in the City of London, she moved in-house as Senior Counsel to pursue her desire to be part of a team at the heart of business operations. In 10 years on both the public sector client-side and the private-sector professional services side, she gained valuable experience in the real world of major project delivery and international operations. She is an independent adviser to industry since 2014.

Her broad and deep field experience translate to pragmatic support, focussing on breaking down complex legalities and putting law in its practical and purposive context to nurture confident business strategists and capable contract users. Sarah has wide experience in collaborative contracts and partnering/ alliancing arrangements, designs visuals for contract tools and processes, and has a keen eye for a holistic whole-life approach. Her project management accreditation adds an unusual technical edge to her work and her Mediator skills enable her to readily coach problem-solving. Her site boots are always to hand!

Sarah volunteers at PMI and APM (nominee Volunteer of the Year 2021), supports local schools and her University on careers, and has judged several student-entrepreneur Enactus competitions. She recently completed 8 years as a school governor, supports a local women-led retrofit hub and is a popular industry interviewee, conference speaker and panel member. Nominated for Inspirational Business Woman in STEM 2025.

She is currently studying PMI-PMP and new CEDR Early Neutral