

J.S. Held Expands Global Forensic Architecture & Engineering Practice with the Acquisition of Sense Studio Limited

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J.S. Held, a global, multi-disciplinary consulting firm, announced today that it has acquired Sense Studio Limited, a specialized architectural practice which provides dispute avoidance and resolution services. This transaction expands J.S. Held's Forensic Architecture & Engineering Practice, supporting clients throughout Europe, Asia Pacific, the Middle East, North America, and Latin America.

Founder and Managing Director of Sense Studio, Murray Armes, is an International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC) President's List international adjudicator and also past president, as well as a long standing member of the Dispute Resolution Board Foundation. He and his team are involved in some of the largest, most challenging, and complex construction and infrastructure projects in the world.

"The Sense Studio team, led by Murray Armes, is respected for their breadth of experience and knowledge to support clients on some of the largest, most complex disputes in the world," said Emily Wohlfarth, Executive Vice President and Forensic Architecture & Engineering Practice Lead. "Adding these professionals to our European team furthers our firm's ability to support our global client base with trusted, seasoned experts in the dispute avoidance and resolution arena."

Based in London, England, Sense Studio is an international firm known for providing architectural expert witness, dispute avoidance, and dispute resolution services. The firm works primarily with clients in the construction, government, and legal sectors. The Sense Studio team is composed of internationally recognized registered architects who routinely provide forensic investigation and architect expert witness services. The practice also provides mediators, conciliators, arbitrators, adjudicators, expert determiners, dispute board members, and conflict avoidance panel members to help stop construction disputes before they start.

"Throughout my career working on international projects and helping to resolve complex disputes, the ability to work with highly technical, knowledgeable, and unbiased people is of the utmost importance," said Murray Armes, BA DipArch MA MSc RIBA FCI Arb MAE, Founder of Sense Studio. "Our clients will benefit from this partnership because joining J.S. Held provides access to a diverse group of experts who complement our depth of real-world experience, amplify our global footprint, and share our foundational values."

Sense Studio joins the J.S. Held team of more than 1,100 consultants around the world. Sense Studio's clients will now have access to J.S. Held's suite of specialized services including property and infrastructure damage assessment; construction advisory services; water and fire restoration consulting; surety services; equipment consulting; forensic engineering; restructuring, turnaround, and receivership; forensic accounting and economics; and environmental, health, and safety services.

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