

## J.S. Held Announces Agreement with Arcadis to Acquire its UK Contract Solutions Practice Led by Gary Kitt

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J.S. Held, a global, multi-disciplinary consulting firm, has announced the acquisition of Arcadis' UK Contract Solutions Practice, and welcomes Gary Kitt, Roger Nutland, Alan Whaley, Lee Cookson, and Gary Blackburn of Arcadis as Senior Managing Directors. The move comes in partnership with Arcadis, a leading global natural and built asset design and consultancy firm. The London-based Contract Solutions group, developed and led by Mr. Kitt and the management team since 2010, adds 22 talented construction dispute consultants to J.S. Held's global Construction Advisory Practice.

With years of experience and expertise in the construction and engineering industries, the team includes a mix of delay and quantum experts and advisors that work on arbitrations, litigation, adjudication, and expert determination proceedings in major construction disputes, as well as providing claim preparation and dispute avoidance advice on live projects.

"Gary and his team will be instrumental in the continued development of our global Construction Advisory Practice and our commitment to our core value of providing the highest quality of service and expertise," said Mark Cohen, Global Leader of J.S. Held's Construction Advisory Practice. "This addition furthers our ability to support clients in matters involving construction claims and disputes throughout Europe."

The team of Arcadis professionals joining J.S. Held provide expert witness, dispute avoidance, and dispute resolution services for a diverse group of international construction industry clients. The group also provides mediators, conciliators, arbitrators, adjudicators, expert determiners, dispute board members, and conflict avoidance panel members to help avoid construction disputes before they arise. Their clients span all construction and engineering sectors including energy, legal, manufacturing, and technology.

"The joint decision to bring the Arcadis team to J.S. Held presents continued professional development opportunities for our people and opens the door to providing a broader suite of complementary services to our clients," said Gary Kitt, Senior Managing Director of J.S. Held. "It's an exciting day for both organizations as we are committed to deepening the areas of expertise for the firms and our colleagues."

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