

# Case Study: Richter Associates (Bedford) Limited

# Challenges:

Already established as the UK's leading temporary works consultancy, Richter's primary focus has always been on mandatory compliance with the CDM regulations for safe design solutions for temporary works. This necessitates the identification and elimination of risks and hazards. Their contribution to the elimination of carbon was already in place as they value-engineered construction sequencing challenges to remove unnecessary elements. Building on this core skill and embracing other elements of sustainability gained rapid traction, especially with the assistance of the structure provided by the School membership, now considered the go-to professional reference for the entire supply chain and a core reference for clients and main contractors alike.

## Impact:

Here at Richter, the already established Academy of Professional CPD and development is core to how many technicians and graduates have progressed to fully chartered and fellowship status. Richter is also a founder member of the Temporary Works Forum at the Institution of Civil Engineers. The impact of the School has been to benefit and accelerate this learning, exchange, and achievement beyond just engineering to all aspects of skill sets needed in the modern build environment. A measure of this success is how many of our team engage with the learning programs, contribute, and use the reference materials.

#### **Resources:**

Assessments – Everything benefits from the structure of the Assessment portal of the School. Moreover, the driver and challenge of completing sections which don't at first appear to be relevant actually reveal why they are equally important, rewarding, and contribute to a richer offering that we can provide customers with. The Assessment structure is a really motivating tool on the portal.

**Action plan** – The Action Plan is not only personally but professionally relevant. It is also drafted for the Company so one can see what they are personally contributing towards and have a route map that is tailored for the company supply offering. As a Professional Services provider, this is particularly relevant as it expands on what the Customer is going to receive and why it is important for them. It also invites them to join the School.

**E-learning modules** – Richter see these as the core library of expertise.

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# RICHTER

## Company

Richter Associates (Bedford) Limited

No of employees

214

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#### Services

Consulting Engineers providing temporary works designs for CDM compliance.

### About

Richter Associates (Bedford) Ltd are UK based with 15no. offices specialising in temporary works designs across Civils, Building, Demolition, Infrastructure and Structures projects. This service is provided for Clients and Consultants for their mandatory requirements under the CDM regulations. Enhancing the multidisciplined offering are our Geotechnical, Groundwater and Scaffold design teams. Digital design services are provided in CAD, BIM, 4D animations and AI.



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# Value gained:

In addition to being an invaluable resource, the School brings together the entire network from Client to Suppliers as they are all part of the professional solution for the built environment. Being able to see the wider requirements of all parties allows contribution and aids in justifying the investment in all these aspects. The graphics capture exactly the whole subject and pinpoint where they are and what they must do, providing them a benchmark for continuous improvement.

# Future proofing:

The involvement of Richter with the school has evolved in various ways. Individuals have utilized it for career development and technical references. Clients have encouraged involvement to set standards that Richter must meet. The events hosted by the School are engaging, relevant, and well-presented. Future plans involve becoming a major contributor to materials and setting goals for innovation, sustainable construction, and digital environments. Their Al design development is one area where the School may assist in promoting to a broader audience.