# Contracts, Specifications and Quantity Surveying

**ENCE421**:

Introduction to Module, Construction Projects and Construction Contracts

# Today's Presentation Outline

Introduction to module

Introduction to construction projects and contracts

## Introduction to module

Main topics

Learning Outcomes

Assessment

(See the outline on Ritaj)

# Introduction to construction projects and contracts

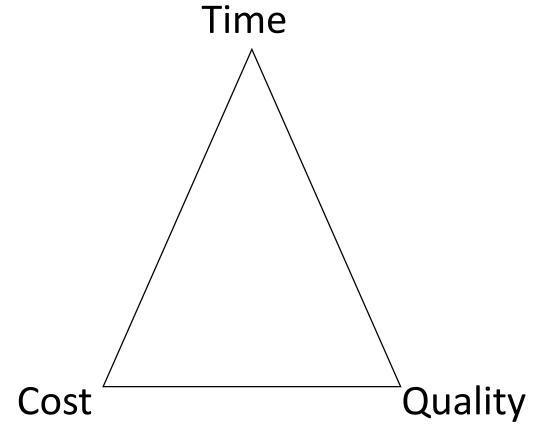
#### What is a Project?

A project is the development of a new facility, resource or event from start to finish.

#### Examples?

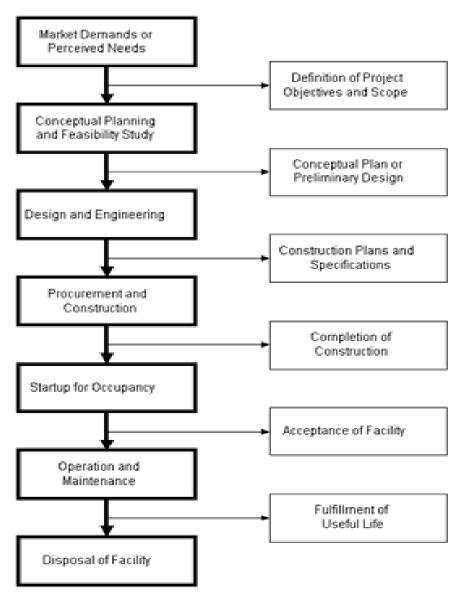
- Design only;
- Construction only; or
- A combination of design and construction

# A project consists of three components:



Any project have to meet three interrelated objectives Time, Cost and Quality.

# **Project Main Stages for New Facility**



#### Contract

What is a contract?

A common method of delegation. It is an agreement between two parties to share in the delivery of part of a project. A contract needs written conditions to make work properly.

#### Contract Cont'd

A promise to do something in return for a benefit.

- -Offer
- -Acceptance
- -Consideration
- -Intention

Plus capacity, consent, legality

#### Contract Cont'd

A typical construction project will involve contracts

#### for the following:

- Client-Designer(s)
- Client-Contractor(s)
- Client-Project Manager(s)
- Contractor-Subcontractor(s)
- Contractor-Supplier(s)
- Client-Specialists(e.g. Feasibility study, ground investigation)

## Formation of a construction contract

1. Invitation to treat (tender, agreement to negotiate).

2.Offer and acceptance (offer comes from contractor, acceptance from client –or offer from S/C acceptance from Contractor).

# Formation of a construction contract Cont'd

3.Consideration –usually money, goods or performance – some legal systems consideration not needed.

4.Intention to be legally bound –normal in construction but in other areas often an exclusion –with an express term stating that there is no intention to be legally bound.

# Summary

- Introduction to module (See the outline on Ritaj)
- Introduction to project management:
  - √ Construction project
  - √ What are the components of the project
  - ✓ Project main stages
  - √ Formation of a construction contract

#### **Next ---> Contract parties**

Any Questions??