An Invitation to submit your paper for the PMI India Research & Academic Conference

Project Management Research & Academic Conference 2015
*Project Management Excellence: Education, Research and Practice*
13 Feb - 15 Feb, 2015, NITIE, Mumbai

**Conference background**

Project Management is an interdisciplinary skill and has great potential for study and research. The PMI India Research and Academic conference is a biennial project management research and education event that brings together scholars, professors and students of project management and allied disciplines. The conference provides an opportunity to present and discuss new project management research findings and teaching methods.

With overwhelming response and feedback from the first two conferences held at NICMAR, Pune in December 2011 and IIT Madras, Chennai in February 2013, the upcoming conference promises to be more engaging and enriching.

Please mark your calendar and plan your participation.

**Conference highlights**

- Plenary sessions
- Technical Paper presentations
- Pre-conference tutorial
- Awards and commemoration of noted academician
- Discussion & networking opportunities

Submission date extended!
Delegate profile

- Project management professors and scholars
- Practitioners interested in project management research
- Post graduate and doctoral students in project management and allied disciplines

Call for papers

Papers are invited on topics related to the theory and practice of Project Management in the areas of:

- R&D projects
- Organizational projects
- Construction & Infrastructure
- Engineering projects
- Social and Public systems
- Development projects
- Information Technology and Software Systems
- Other areas that use Project Management principles

The papers could relate to the Project Management processes such as Initiation, Planning, Execution, Monitoring & Control and Closure and the Project Management knowledge areas such as Scope management, Schedule and Time management,

Cost management, Quality management, HR management, Risk management, Procurement management, Communications management, Integration management and Stakeholder Management.

Papers can also be on Project Management related to Disaster management, Event Management, Contract Management, Project Management Office (PMO), Globally Distributed Projects, Agile versus Process Driven Approach, Impact Assessment, Project Management Software Tools, New Methods and Pedagogy in Project Management Education & Training and Success Stories or Lessons Learnt in any of the above areas or topics.

The papers can be based on empirical, theoretical or methodological research, as well as on educational theory or practice, strategies, curriculum design or service learning.

All researchers from the academic community (including students) and industry are encouraged to submit their papers.
Registration & Submission Procedure

All authors are requested to log on to www.pmi.org.in/racpapers and register themselves as ‘New authors’. Authors are required to fill in their personal details after logging-in.’Call for papers’ is divided in two stages which are explained below.

Stage 1: Abstract submission phase

ADDING A NEW ABSTRACT

- Log in with your credentials on www.pmi.org.in/racpapers
- Add new abstract (500 to 1000 words)
- Save or Submit your abstract
- ‘Save’ enables you to log back in at a later date and edit or complete your abstract
- ‘Submit’ will move your abstract for review and you will not be able to make any changes
- Authors can submit multiple abstracts under the same log-in ID

REVIEW

- Your abstract will be reviewed and if selected you shall receive communication to submit your entire paper

Stage 2: Paper submission phase

SUBMITTING YOUR PAPER

- Log in with your credentials on www.pmi.org.in/racpapers
- All accepted abstracts will be visible on your account
- Click on the selected abstract and upload your paper in a word file (.doc/.docx) in the provision given for uploading your document
- In case of multiple abstracts selected on your account, kindly ensure the paper submitted matches the abstract

REVIEW

- All papers submitted via the interface will be reviewed and selected papers will be communicated to the respective authors
- All authors will need to send in their final presentation thereafter.

Abstracts and papers to be submitted strictly within the interface only. (Links to external sites strictly prohibited)
**Paper Title and Authorship information**

All papers are evaluated through a double-blind peer review process, PMI requires authors to submit their abstracts and papers without listing their name, credentials, and institutional affiliation within the content of abstract or as part of the file name used for their paper and other supporting documents. This includes authors citing themselves in the text as well as in the bibliography. Instead, authors should leave a blank parenthesis to indicate their own citations.

For those papers accepted for inclusion in the conference, PMI will add, to the paper and abstract, each author’s full name and institutional affiliation (which shall be picked up from the information entered in the profile section on the interface).

**Key Words**

All papers submitted should include key words. Please limit to a total of five key words.

**Submission Format**

Call for papers submissions must be written in English in a formal tone and contain original content.

*Note: PMI strives to publish only those articles, papers and books that meet professional publication standards. All conference presenters must follow PMI’s submission guidelines when writing their paper and abstract. PMI will not review any papers and abstracts that contain incorrectly formatted text, references and graphics.*

**Technical Papers**

Acceptable papers contain a maximum of 8,400 words. This page limit includes graphics but excludes references, and appendices. Guidelines for submitting papers will be provided in stage two.

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**IMPORTANT DATES - REVISED**

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Word Count

All submitted papers must have the word count identified in the title. For example: "Project Complexity (7300 words)". Papers will not be accepted without a proper word count identified in the title.

Evaluation Criteria

Some of the criteria that will be used for the evaluation of the Papers include:

1. Originality of topic
2. Relevance and current interest of topic
3. Quality of the paper’s methodology or approach
4. Quality of date or evidence presented
5. Quality of the theoretical foundation or critical stance
6. Quality of the writing (whether is it easily understandable)
7. Quality of the literature review
8. Quality of conclusions supported by evidence
9. Strength and coherence of the line of argument
10. Overall quality of the paper

(All papers will go through a plagiarism check to ascertain its originality)

Selected Papers

The decision of Technical Review Committee of PMI RAC 2015 is final. The final decision conveyed to the author can be one of the following:

(a) The paper is accepted for publication in the conference proceedings and for presentation at the conference.

(b) The paper is accepted for presentation at the conference

(c) The paper is selected for a poster presentation but does not feature in the conference proceedings

(d) The paper is not selected for the conference

If the paper is selected for presentation in the conference, the author should make it convenient to present the same at the conference. Delegate fees, travel, accommodation and other fees have to be borne by the presenters themselves. Select set of papers will be published in its Research and Academic Conference proceedings.

PMI will distribute these proceedings, available on CD-ROM, to every individual attending the conference. PMI may also use the submitted papers for conference-related purposes.

PMI reserves the right to edit all papers and abstracts for grammatical and editorial style as well as length and clarity. PMI will return those papers and abstracts that require extensive editing. At that time, PMI will notify the author of the deadline for returning the updated paper.

Updated papers which are not returned to PMI by the agreed-upon deadline are subject to omission from both the published proceedings and the conference schedule.

Presentations

Please keep in mind that PMI Research and Academic Conference attendees are comprised not only of academic researchers and educators, but practitioners as well. Therefore, when making your presentations, please keep these audiences in mind.
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