

Call for Papers for 26th IPMA World Congress on Project Management – October 2012 in Greece



A call for papers has been announced for the **26th IPMA World Congress on Project Management**, with the theme „**Integrating Project Management Standards**“, that will be held on the Mediterranean Island of Crete, Greece during 29-31 October 2012. Project management researchers, professors, students and teachers, as well as executives, practicing professionals and professional leaders are now invited to submit abstracts for scientific papers, professional presentations, panel discussions, workshops and special sessions for the congress.

The Congress aims to promote communication between international multi-disciplinary teams in the field of project management and in related disciplines, to further synergy for closer cooperation, business relations and know-how exchange in project management in the international context in order to promote personal and corporate development for both research and business outcomes.

Themes of interest include, but are not limited to the following Streams:

- S1: Project Management Standards & Integration.
- S2: Managing Programmes & Project Portfolios
- S3: Green project management, social and corporate responsibility, incorporating the Environment, Sustainability & Community Engagement.
- S4: Project Management Governance, Benchmarking and Business Process Optimization.
- S5: Legal issues, Contract Management & PPPs.
- S6: Client & Stakeholder Identification of Needs, Risk Reduction & Management of Expectations.
- S7: Time & Schedule Management of Projects.
- S8: Project Costs & Financial Issues, Return on Investment & Benefits Realization.
- S9: Quality in Project Management, Quality Delivery of Projects.
- S10: Project Management Competencies, Training & Professional Development, Soft Skills, Reward, Empowerment and Ethics.
- S11: Project Management Maturity and Organizational Development.
- S12: Project Management of Large Projects, Project Management Complexity, Cross-border Cooperation, Cultural Aspects & Diversity Issues.
- S13: Innovative Project Management Applications & New Trends.
- S14: Information Technology, Information & Decision Systems

Important deadlines are as follows:

15-Feb-2012 - Deadline for the submission of proposals for special sessions (academic & professional), workshops, seminars, panel discussions, position papers, special issues of journals and other related activities.

30-Apr-2012 - Deadline for the submission of peer-reviewed abstracts (to be included in ISBN-ed proceedings, planned to be indexed in major indices)

15-June-2012 - Deadline for full paper submission (of peer-reviewed papers)

30-Jul-2012 - Deadline for professional presentations

31-Aug-2012 - Deadline for paper ready-papers / Deadline for Speakers'/Presenters registration



Check the in-process Congress website at www.ipma2012.gr for updated themes, rules and abstract submission guidelines. Or contact jpp@central.ntua.gr for information.

The IPMA World Congress is recognized as the major annual event for the global project and programme management community to come together to network, learn and discuss new ideas and practice. As IPMA (International Project Management Association) represents some 50 national Associations in 5 continents, this is a truly global event.



Images of Crete – left, hillside view on Crete; right, port view of Heraklion city

The 26th IPMA World Congress will be held on one of the most popular islands in Greece, at an exclusive 5 star Convention and Golf resort where the dialogue for the advancement of academic and professional project management will meet 5,000 years of history, idyllic beaches and a bouquet of fascinating parallel activities. Mark your calendars and plan to attend the 2012 IPMA World Congress on Project Management. For information, visit www.ipma2012.gr.

Crete is the largest island in Greece. Next to being the home of the first European civilisation – the Minoan civilization dating 5000 years ago, the island offers mountains and sandy beaches which belong among the finest in the world. Crete has a mild Mediterranean climate and the conference participants will have the opportunity to taste one of the oldest and most tasty gastronomic traditions in the world and to enjoy the famous Cretan hospitality.

The 26th IPMA World Congress is being organized by the Network of Project Managers in Greece (PM-Greece), the Greek member association of IPMA, in cooperation with the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA), under auspices of the Hellenic Ministry of Infrastructure. The Chairman for the 26th IPMA World Congress is **Dr. John - Paris Pantouvakis**, Associate Professor, Director of the Department of Construction Engineering & Management, Faculty of Civil Engineering, NTUA, Athens, Greece. Professor Pantouvakis can be contacted at jpp@central.ntua.gr



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IPMA's annual world congress is one of the most important meetings of the world's project and programme management experts and leaders each year. The president of IPMA for 2012 is **Roberto Mori**. Additional information about IPMA is available at www.ipma.ch