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PMI Vice President Michael DePrisco to reveal 2014 Rules of the Profession at UT Dallas on 15 August

PMI global representative to deliver opening keynote presentation on day two of 8th Annual UT Dallas Project Management Symposium

15 July 2014 – Richardson, Texas, USA – Organizers of the **8th Annual UT Dallas Project Management Symposium** being held during August 14-15, 2014 in Richardson, Texas, USA have announced another keynote speaker for the conference, Mr. Michael DePrisco, Vice President for Academic and Educational Programs, Project Management Institute (PMI®). The 2 Day UT Dallas Project Management Symposium is being held in the **Naveen Jindal School of Management** on the UT Dallas campus in Richardson, Texas, USA. The theme of the 8th Annual UT Dallas Project Management Symposium is “*Maximizing the Value of Project Management*”. Registration is open; for information [click here](#).

In his role as PMI’s Vice President, Academic and Educational Programs, **Michael DePrisco** provides executive oversight to the Academic Programs and Academic Resources departments and serves as the COO for the PMI Educational Foundation. He has more than 15 years of senior leadership experience in educational and operations management and provides overall leadership, planning and supervision of PMI’s academic markets, as well as educational programs and services.



Prior to joining PMI, Mr. DePrisco worked in higher education administration for 20 years, serving as President of several art and design colleges in the north and southeastern part of the United States. Mr. DePrisco was tasked with executing the strategic plans of the college that ensured integration and alignment of key initiatives and priorities. With these responsibilities, he had oversight of enrollment, retention, institutional accreditation, career services and student affairs.

Mr. DePrisco is a graduate of West Chester University of Pennsylvania with a Bachelor of Arts in Secondary Education and a Master’s of Science in Higher Education Administration and Counseling.

Abstract: The 2014 Pulse of the Profession™ is PMI's Thought Leadership platform, as well as a powerful description of the high cost of low performance in project, program and portfolio management. It harnesses insights and data from project, program and portfolio practitioners and leaders worldwide but also includes an analysis of third-party data to provide a report on major trends in project management. This presentation clearly identifies what organizations and practitioners must get better at to compete in today’s volatile environment.

Other Keynote speakers announced for the 8th Annual UT Dallas PM Symposium include **Ron Patterson**, Assistant Manager for the City of Frisco who will speak on “The Dallas Cowboys move to Frisco”; **Wes Hardgrove**, CIO of 7-Eleven Corporation who will speak on “Continuous Improvement”; **Andrew Bragg**, International Project Management Association (IPMA) Vice President and CEO of the Association for Project Management (UK) who will speak on “The Value of Project Management”; and **David Harvey, Sr.** Director of Strategic Planning for Southwest Airlines who will close the symposium with a presentation on “Leading Change at Southwest Airlines.”

The UT Dallas symposium will include an Opening Ceremony with keynote speakers, professional paper presentations by approximately 45 different speakers, panel discussions, lunches and coffee breaks, a networking reception, keynote presentations by representatives of IPMA and PMI on Friday morning, and a closing plenary session with keynote speaker and door prizes. Participants can receive 16 PDUs for attending. Discounted group pricing is also available. To register, see keynote speakers, view presenters’ abstracts and for additional information, go to pmsymposium.utdallas.edu.

The annual **UT Dallas Project Management Symposium** is organized by the Project Management Program at The University of Texas at Dallas (UT Dallas), in cooperation with the **PMI Dallas Chapter** and the **PM World Journal**. If you are a project manager or project management professional living in North Texas, plan to attend this world class symposium. More information can be found at pmsymposium.utdallas.edu.

The Project Management Program at UT Dallas provides application-oriented education for professionals with significant project, program or general management responsibilities. Established in the Executive Education division of the UT Dallas’ Naveen Jindal School of Management, students have the option of earning a Graduate Certificate in Project Management, a Master of Science degree with an emphasis in project management, or a Master of Business Administration degree with project management emphasis.

The UT Dallas PM program, originally developed in 1997, is accredited by the Project Management Institute (PMI®) and is registered with the PMI Registered Education Provider Program (PMI R.E.P.). The program is taught by world-class faculty with a blend of industrial project management, consulting and teaching experience. UT Dallas’ PM Program is delivered both on campus and online, and attracts students from across the USA and worldwide. For more information, visit project.utdallas.edu.

The PMI Dallas Chapter is a volunteer-based professional association dedicated to supporting the growth and development of project management practitioners, as well as building awareness of the project management discipline and its critical role in business and organization success. With more than 350,000 members in over 180 countries, the Project Management Institute (PMI®) is the world’s leading membership association for project management. Founded in 1984 and with over 4,000 members, the PMI Dallas Chapter is one of the world’s largest PMI components. To learn more about the PMI Dallas Chapter and its service offerings, visit www.pmidallas.org

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