

## **Project Management update from Argentina**



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Last month, was held in Argentina a very important event for the project management community. PMI Nuevo Cuyo Chapter organized its PM DAY called "Jornadas Cuyanas 2013", held in the cities of Mendoza and San Luis, with lectures and workshops presented by recognized speakers, sharing experiences and good project management practices applied to different projects in Latin America, and I was glad to be part of both of these events that enrich our profession.

During the session in Mendoza on June 5th, after the opening and welcome words of Mr. Jorge Moreno, Past President of PMI Nuevo Cuyo Chapter, Mr. Carlos Calderaro shared the lesson learned with the project of the "Vertedero GATUN" of the Panama Canal.

Mr. Victor Orellana Acuña from Chile shared his experience with a lecture about "Challenging and Successful Projects", talking about the project of remodeling the World Soccer Women's Championship Stadiums in Chile.

We also had the opportunity of learning from Mr. Mauricio Garay and Mr. Carlos Gonzalez, the Application of PMI Practices to the Construction Project of the Hotel, Resort & SPA, Vines of Mendoza, Tunuyan, Mendoza".

Closing the day, I had the pleasure of facilitating a workshop about Leadership and Interpersonal Relationship to the Project Team and I was amazed about the great interest and participation of the attendees, showing the growing importance that project management professionals give to soft skills in our country.

At the end of the congress, Mr. Gustavo Albera, PMI Nuevo Cuyo Chapter President, commented: "This kind of events allows us to learn from real projects developed by first

level professionals and gives us a very effective opportunity to learn from the experience of others and capitalize it on our own experiences. It is also a fast and direct way to learn what is not easy to find in books”.

The following day, on June 6<sup>th</sup>, the PM DAY was in San Luis City and it had again excellent speakers.

Mr. Alejandro Aramburu, PMI Nuevo Cuyo Chapter Director, opened the session introducing the audience to the Project Management Institute and the profession. In second place, I had the honor of presenting my lecture “One doesn’t fit all” talking about the adaptive approach of the Project Management Methodologies.

From the Government area, an important construction project was shared in this congress. This time was through the lecture of Mrs. María Pia Pollio, chief of Architecture Department of San Luis Province Government, who commented on the project development of the construction of the new prison building.

The audience of San Luis had also the possibility of learn from the experience of Mr. Victor Orellana Acuña about the project of remodeling the World Soccer Women's Championship Stadiums in Chile through his lecture "Challenging and Successful Projects”.

Once again at the end of this PM DAY, Mr. Gustavo Albera, closed the event thanking the project managers of both congresses. “These conferences would not have been possible without the commitment of our volunteers who managed this initiative dramatically. That's why we should acknowledge the work and dedication provided by the organizers of these events, Mr. Jorge Moreno in Mendoza and Alejandro Aramburu in San Luis, who made these events possible and a successful experience” said Albera.

### **Main Events to be offered by the PMI Buenos Aires Argentina Chapter:**

#### **July 4<sup>th</sup>: Members Meeting in Buenos Aires City**

Lecture: How to Implement Agile in your organization without dying in the attempt?

Speaker: Ezequiel Kahan.

**July 11<sup>st</sup>: Open Meeting in in Buenos Aires City**

Lecture: Manage Critical Issues

Speaker: Orlando Marone, PMP, Former President of Buenos Aires Chapter.

Find more information of these events at [PMIBA website](#).

**Main Events to be offered by the PMI Nuevo Cuyo Argentina Chapter:**

**July 19<sup>th</sup>: PMI Nuevo Cuyo Congress “Jornadas Cuyanas 2013” La Rioja**

Lectures and workshops to be hold in La Rioja City.

Find information of **PMI Nuevo Cuyo Argentina Chapter** events at [PMINC website](#).

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