Project Management update from Argentina



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Like every summer in Argentina, activities in main cities are really low. This year, with the high temperatures registered in most of the country, the "portenos" (like are called the citizens of the City of Buenos Aires) went away to enjoy the beaches.

In addition to that, this summer came with many economic changes taken by the current government, specifically the exchange rate peso vs. dollar that has been generating uncertainty in the inhabitants of this country regarding the future.

However, some activities have already begun in PMI Chapters of Argentina.

Initially, I should mention that new authorities have assumed leadership in both chapters.

In PMI Buenos Aires Chapter, Anabella Amoresano has assumed the role of President during the year 2014, and as Vice President was designed Osvaldo Ucha, who has been president of the Chapter last year.

In PMI Nuevo Cuyo Chapter, Benedict Hughes is the current President and Andrés Sananes has been elected as President for next year 2015.

A PMIBA team building activity was performed for volunteers during January. This kickoff meeting is about sharing a picnic in a farm of the countryside of Buenos Aires to exchange ideas and know each other. With a typical "asado" (Argentinian barbecue) and good wine, the day went from interesting conversations that roamed topics as diverse, from chapter projects, labor issues and even personal issues of each and their families.



José Esterkin, Director of PMIBA commented "We close the day talking about the projects planned for 2014 in the Chapter, which will strengthen further this very nice way of working by the volunteer team of PMIBA".



Regarding project outlook for 2014, it is difficult to predict what will happen in Argentina, due in fact to recent economic changes, generating uncertainties in many organizations that are very cautious about investing in new endeavors.

Find more information of the local events at the PMI Buenos Aires Argentina Chapter website and PMI Nuevo Cuyo Argentina Chapter website.

Photos courtesy of the PMI Buenos Aires Chapter; more information of this event at http://pmi.org.ar/noticiadetalle.php?id_noticia=614

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