Project Management update from Argentina



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PMI Argentinian Chapters are very active this year and in the first months already conducted several seminars in different geographies of the country.

Among the lectures by the PMI Buenos Aires Chapter we would like to highlight the one on March 26th. in which Eng. Gustavo Baldoni addressed the issue of conflict resolution and how to approach them from the context of the systems theory.

On April 14th, another open meeting of PMI Buenos Aires Chapter was held by Eng. Gustavo Flouret entitled "Strategic Planning and Project Management" were was described the strategic process, based on theoretical concepts and putting them into practice during his conference.

In May, took place the conference entitled "The role of the PMO in the Era of Process Management" by Mr. Gregorio Correa, who presented the evolution of people, processes, business and technologies in organizations and the role of the upper Management in the level of participation of the PMO. After a discussion, it was concluded that it is necessary that the executive level is convinced of the added value of complementing functions among Project Offices and Process Offices.

But not only in the capital of Argentina they have conducted these conferences.

The city of Cordoba was a meeting place for leaders of projects and interested in project management in the day on June 24th, organized by the Cordoba Community of PMI and PMI Chapter Buenos Aires, which had important exhibitors, as they were Eng. Aníbal Ambrosino, Quality Manager of the National Commission of Space Activities (CONAE) in charge of managing projects linked to the Argentine Space Plan and Eng. Ignacio Gei, Undersecretary for Information Technology of the Government of the Province of

Córdoba and promoter of the "Digital Citizen" entrepreneur project to digitalize all procedures of Córdoba citizens and within the paradigm of e-government.

Also under the PMI Buenos Aires Chapter 2015 was held the first open meeting on "Construction Project Management" organized by volunteers of the new PMI community in the province of Tucuman. On that day, architect Gustavo Albera from the renowned Bormida & Yanzon Architects Studio, details his experience in managing construction projects following the best practices of PMI.

Regarding the PMI Nuevo Cuyo Chapter, on June 4th, took place in Mendoza city the "2015 Nuevo Cuyo Project Management Day" with the title "Quality in Project Management. A real need. A real challenge" which had the participation of professionals with local, national and international career, constituting an excellent opportunity to incorporate knowledge and experience that the speakers conveyed considering the challenges faced daily business.

The day began with words of welcome from the Director of Projects of the organization of the conference and Past President PMI Nuevo Cuyo Chapter, Eng. Jorge Moreno, who thanked the exhibitors and listeners for their participation.

Next took place the conference hosted by myself, Lic. Cecilia Boggi and Eng. Adriana Cibelli, about the subject "Quality in Requirement Management. A challenge in modern project management". Then, Eng. Sebastian Rios from Supercanal company, developed his presentation about "A real experience in the development and implementation of a PMO with national reach," presenting a real case of application.

Later, Eng. Hugo E. Lobato, Manager of Corporate Quality from Techint Engineering and Construction, developed a conference on the theme "How to add real quality in project management" and the day was concluded with a roundtable bringing together the different opinions of exhibitors under the title "The quality management in projects. How to strengthen your application to generate value."

For the rest of the year, Argentine PMI chapters have planned several more days including the most important Congress of Project Management in the region, called "PMI Cono Sur Tour 2015". This year, the "PMI Cono Sur Tour - Buenos Aires 2015" will take place on November 5th, and the "PMI Cono Sur Tour - Nuevo Cuyo 2015" will take place on November 6th and 7th in Mendoza province.

It is important to highlight, that already started the calls for exhibitors for the above Congress, as well as for the rest of the Southern Region of Latin America.

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The presentations at "PMI Cono Sur Tour 2015" will include studies, success stories, challenges, results and other experience relevant to the project management community.

For more information about local Project Management events, please visit **PMI Buenos Aires Argentina Chapter** *website* and **PMI Nuevo Cuyo Argentina Chapter** *website*.

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