

Project Management update from Argentina



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As the year goes, the activities of the PMI Chapters in Argentina increase. Besides preparing for the biggest event in project management in Latin America, called PMI Tour Cono Sur 2016, the Argentine Chapters are developing a large number of events in order to spread and professionalize project management in the region.

By the Buenos Aires PMI Chapter, we can mention frequent conferences, webinars, meetings of communities of interest and the development of projects related to PMI Educational Foundation - PMIEF.

It's worth highlighting the creation of a new community of interest focused on the recognition and repositioning of the role of Project Managers in the organizations. The mission of the communities is to analyze and research about subjects related to project management, share ideas, methodologies and experiences, and above all, enable participants to develop professionally.

This community of interest called "Strategic Positioning", led by Gabriel Roman, PMP, with a great professional experience and, besides, Director of Graduate Project Management at the University of CEMA in Buenos Aires, addresses the issue through the following postulate: "A Project Director, by definition, is the one who makes possible that the organizational strategies can be achieved through concrete projects. Within this framework, it seems indisputable their strategic role. However it's very difficult for a PM to reach a position of middle management in any organization. The mission of this community is to understand why a profession born to shine, faces barriers at certain levels, and to find ways to eliminate them.

This professional discussion forum meets monthly, with a large participation of members of the PMI Buenos Aires Chapter interested in our profession.

Among other activities, it is worth noting the training project in project management as a skill for life, under the framework of PMIEF, carried out by volunteers of the PMI Buenos Aires Chapter in conjunction with the AIESEC organization, creating a synergy to promote actions together with the idea of making the world in which we live a little better, and fairer for everyone. Leading this team for the PMI Chapter, Engineer Adriana Cibelli, says that "In this training participated young people from different provinces of Argentina, young people from neighboring country Brazil as well as from Colombia, who immediately found the way to incorporate what they learned to their professional work, and thus be more efficient in the use of resources of the organizations and more effective in achieving success in their important projects."

Also under the PMIEF, it was completed a training course for teenagers of 4th, 5th and 6th year of secondary education of the Grilli Canning College, located in the village of Canning, at 40 km from the City of Buenos Aires, and it's taking place something similar at the venue of the Emmanuel Foundation in Colonia Urquiza, about 60 km from Buenos Aires, where young people are being trained and besides they are being mentored in order to achieve that their dream of having a Social, Cultural and Sports Club, become real. These projects, led by volunteer Adriana Cibelli, have a strong support from the PMIEF Liaison of PMI Buenos Aires Chapter, Veronica Sala.

At the PMI Nuevo Cuyo Chapter, the Conferences Cuyanas on Project Management were developed in the cities of Mendoza, San Luis, La Rioja and San Juan, such as it was mentioned in the previous article of this publication.

Volunteers of the PMI Nuevo Cuyo chapter conducted a workshop on Project Management for more than 300 young people, aged between 16 and 19 years old, at the fourteenth Forum of Entrepreneurs of the Junior Achievement Foundation Mendoza. The Conference was presented by Lic. Lorena Lemos; Engeneer Jorge Moreno, PMP and Andrés Sananes, CAPM, who had a prominent role in this meeting. They talked mainly about the history and basic concepts of PMI Project Management.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this article, in Argentina, like in other countries of Southern Latin America, the PMI Chapters are strongly dedicated to the organization of PMI Cono Sur Tour 2016.

With respect to Argentina, the PMI Tour this year will be held in four locations throughout the country, starting with the city of Mendoza on 27th and 28th October and organized by the PMI Chapter Nuevo Cuyo.

The event will be held in Córdoba on November 1st, and later in Buenos Aires on November 3rd, ending in Rosario (Santa Fe) on November 8th.

All these international events will be developed by expert speakers, and will be attended by a large audience that year after year bet to the professional development and continuous updating in project management.

As you can appreciate, the PMI Chapters in Argentina are working hard to promote and disseminate best practices in project management, both in academic and professional levels, and thus contribute to improving the results of projects in the country.

More information about local events of Project Management visit the **PMI Buenos Aires Argentina Chapter** [website](#) and **PMI Nuevo Cuyo Argentina Chapter** [website](#).

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