

Project Management in Spain: Monthly report¹

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The COVID-19 effect in Project Management in Spain and New 2020 Challenges

Since last march 14th, because of the massive infection produced by the COVID-19, all Project management business activities have been obliged to use virtual platforms to move forward. Many Spanish professionals, not very familiar with that way of work, felt overwhelmed because of lack of skills and practice using these tools.

In any case, as one of the most important key skills for a good project manager is to be able to adopt, adapt and apply changes, most Spanish professionals are learning to use it successfully. In my personal case I am delivering project management consulting and training services using a virtual platform. My customer is feeling more and more comfortable, and the the quality of service is well perceived by them. Both parts understand each other regarding the need to survive by moving forward.

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On the other hand, “webinars”, video-conferences and virtual presentation offerings have proliferated, and their ads are growing on social media day by day. Business survival has generated enough professional awareness to awaken and move to deal with this horrible pandemic.



Las Puertas de Alcalá: A meaningful symbol of Madrid City

Regarding PMI local activities, on march 30th, the PMI Madrid Spain Chapter celebrated Global Elections, this time virtually. The results were as follows:

Rol	Candidate elected
President	Susana Moreno
Vice President	Mario Coquillat
Officer	José Barato
Officer	Beatriz Hierro
Officer	Ninfa Muñoz
Officer	Pedro Balsa

Officer	Silvia Amor
País Vasco Branch Responsible	Fernando García
Castilla y León Branch Responsible	Amelia Herrero
Extremadura Branch Responsible	Jesús Cruz

This new Chapter Board of directors, with Susana Moreno as a President, is starting a new adventure at difficult and challenging times, where maintaining the enthusiasm and virtual proximity among PMI Chapter members is a real challenge to deal with. From here my best wishes of success to all and please continue moving forward in the benefit of the profession.

TOMORROW WILL BE BETTER!

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