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David Hudson appointed PMWJ Honorary Global Advisor in Australia

Former AIPM president and IPMA Fellow joins international advisory team for PM World Journal and Library

12 November 2022 – Brisbane, Australia and Dallas, TX, USA – PM World has announced the appointment of **David Hudson** as an honorary global advisor for the *PM World Journal* (PMWJ) and PM World Library (PMWL). David is a former National President of the Australian Institute of Project Management (AIPM) and Vice President of the International Project Management Association (IPMA). He is a Fellow of both organisations in addition to being a Fellow of the Australian based Institute of Management and Leadership (IML).

David Hudson is an Australian based project professional with national and international recognition. Having been a practicing professional for over 25 years, he has made major contributions to the project management community at large. David started professional life as an Infantry officer in the Australian Army, transitioning to project management through a number of challenging and complex projects in the Australian public sector.



David describes his transition to project management as partly natural, through the alignment of military planning practices with project management practices. But it was also challenging from a cultural and contextual perspective. His first professional project role was as head of the Lead Agency for Payroll and Human Resource Information Systems across the Queensland State Government with a 300,000 head count. He has since moved to his own consultancy practice advising public and private sector organisations in best practice enterprise project management. He is also a noted trainer at all levels of the practice from project to portfolio management.

David is a Certified Practicing Portfolio Executive with the AIPM and has recently been acknowledged as a Chartered Project Professional by the UK based Association of Project Management. Life-long learning is a mantra for David; finding every consulting and training assignment to provide fresh information on the practice of project management. The most recent area of interest for David is the challenge for the practice of engaging with the ‘C-Suite’ of organisations to develop effective integration between organisational and project strategy.

David has played a substantial role as Chair of Standards in his national body in developing professional competency standards, and with the IPMA as the original

Program Lead for the development of the IPMA Competence Baseline v.4. He champions competency frameworks for major organisations, advocating for organisations to access the benefits of national and international professional communities in the journey for project management delivery excellence.

According to PMWJ editor David Pells, “David Hudson first served his country, then the Australian project management profession through various leadership roles in AIPM. He gained recognition as an IPMA leader some ten years ago, meanwhile remaining active in project management back home. I am honored that he has agreed to join our global advisory team. He brings some great new perspective from the other side of the world.”

David Hudson stated, “It was great to reconnect with David Pells after the years of Covid isolation. And I am honored and happy to help the journal out as an advisor. But I hope it means we can meet for a pint again soon. The world of project management needs to get smaller again, especially for good friends.”

Pells added, “I met David Hudson at the IPMA world congress in Rome in 2008 and we hit it off immediately. We met again in Helsinki in 2009, shortly after which he joined the IPMA leadership team; we then communicated more regularly. He came to Texas in 2015 as a keynote speaker at the 9th UT Dallas PM symposium, delivering a great presentation by the way. After nearly 15 years of friendship, I am very happy that he has agreed to join our advisory team.”

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