

Project Management Update from PMO Global Alliance India Hub ¹



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Topic: Cybersecurity and Data Security Through the Project Management Lens

A conference banner for 'CYBERSECURITY AND DATA SECURITY THROUGH THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT LENS'. The banner is dark blue with white and red text. It features three speakers: Col. Dr. Inderjeet Singh (Founder & CEO, Cybersleuths), Dr. Pavan Duggal (Advocate, Supreme Court of India), and Bhupesh Janoti (Sr. Consultant Cybersecurity, Data Security Council of India). The banner also includes logos for PMOGA, Project Management Institute North India, Institute of Management Technology, and AACSB. The event is scheduled for 24th Jan, 2024, Wednesday, 3:00 PM - 5:30 PM IST. Logos for event partners like INDIA, PAVAN DUGGAL ASSOCIATES, and DSCI are also present.

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The joint initiative by [PMOGA India Hub](#) and [PMI - North India Chapter](#), in collaboration with the [Institute of Management Technology \(IMT\)](#), Ghaziabad, marked a significant milestone in the realm of project management and cybersecurity. This in-person event, titled "**Cybersecurity and Data Security Through the Project Management Lens**," was the first collaborative effort in India since the acquisition of [PMO Global Alliance](#) by the [Project Management Institute \(PMI\)](#).

Conference Overview:

The conference aimed to explore the intersection of project management principles and cybersecurity/data security practices. With an esteemed lineup of speakers, the event promised insights, discussions, and best practices that bridge the gap between project management methodologies and the ever-evolving landscape of cybersecurity and data security.

The event commenced with a warm welcome address by Dr. [Vishal Talwar](#), Director of IMT, Ghaziabad. Dr. Talwar highlighted the essential connection between project management and cybersecurity, emphasizing the need for collaborative initiatives to address modern challenges. He underscored the importance of bringing together academia, industry, and professional bodies to foster comprehensive solutions.

Dr. [Amit Sareen](#), Dean (Academics), IMT, Ghaziabad following the welcome address, delivered the opening speech, expressing gratitude to all organizers, including IMT Alumni Mr. Gaurav Dhooper, who played a pivotal role in organizing this conference. Dr. Sareen emphasized the relevance of the chosen topic to management and set the tone for the conference.

His speech was followed by a felicitation ceremony of the distinguished speakers.

Mr. [Gaurav Dhooper](#) expressed gratitude to IMT Ghaziabad for its invaluable support in organizing the event. He also acknowledged the collaboration with PMI North India Chapter and highlighted the significance of PMI's acquisition of PMO Global Alliance, making it the world's largest PMO community with over 20,000 active volunteers.

Mr. [Jay kumar](#), President of PMI North India Chapter, introduced the chapter and outlined their offerings, emphasizing their commitment to advancing project management practices in the region.

Key Speakers:

[Col \(Dr.\) Inderjeet Singh](#)

Col (Dr.) Inderjeet Singh delved into the crucial role of blockchain technology in enhancing cybersecurity. He highlighted Cybersecurity goals, 10 commandments for

Cybersecurity and detailed view of DevSecOps. He elaborated the need of Cybersecurity in today's world along with the impact of Gen AI.

Bhupesh Janoti

Bhupesh Janoti shared practical insights into implementing cybersecurity measures in real life and in project management. His presentation covered "What Cyber security breaches can lead to", "Cyber security challenges in the projects". He also explained cybersecurity from Conception to Delivery use.

A video of the 15-year journey of the Data Security Council of India (DSCI) was also played under the aegis of Mr. [Vinayak Godse](#), CEO of DSCI (a nasscom initiative). It focused on industry standards and best practices in data security and discussed how organizations can leverage frameworks provided by entities like the Data Security Council of India to fortify their project management processes against cyber threats.

Dr. Pavan Duggal

Dr. Pavan Duggal addressed the gathering with a note that project management in modern days is not possible in India without the use of electronic format. He highlighted that there is weekly 15% increase in cyberattacks in India. His discussion covered the evolving legal landscape, regulations, and compliance requirements concerning data security, cybercrimes, information technology rules and cyber liability. He emphasized the need for organizations to align their practices with the legal frameworks to mitigate risks with India's new cybersecurity legal regime.

Live Streaming:

For those who were unable to attend in person, the conference was also made accessible through live streaming on YouTube. The link provided (<https://www.youtube.com/live/JJPpEOc8HzQ>) facilitated local and global audience, enabling remote participation and engagement.

Acknowledgment and Thanks:

A special note of gratitude was extended to the [Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad](#), for hosting the event. The venue played a crucial role in fostering a conducive environment for knowledge sharing and networking.

A memento was presented to Institute of Management Technology, Ghaziabad by Mr. Jay Kumar, President PMI North India Chapter, received by Dr. Amit Sareen. A certificate of appreciation was also presented to IMT Ghaziabad by PMOGA India Hub in recognition of its important collaboration in this event.

Conclusion:

The Cybersecurity and Data Security Conference, organized jointly by PMOGA India Hub, PMI - North India Chapter, and IMT Ghaziabad, proved to be an enriching experience for attendees. The blend of project management and cybersecurity perspectives from esteemed speakers laid the foundation for future collaborations in navigating the complex landscape of securing project data in an increasingly digitized world. This event served as a testament to the commitment of these organizations in driving excellence in project management practices in the face of evolving cybersecurity challenges.





CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

This certificate is presented to
**Institute of Management Technology,
Ghaziabad**

in recognition of its important
collaboration in the Cyber Security
and Data Security in-person conference.

Given on the 24th of January, 2024.

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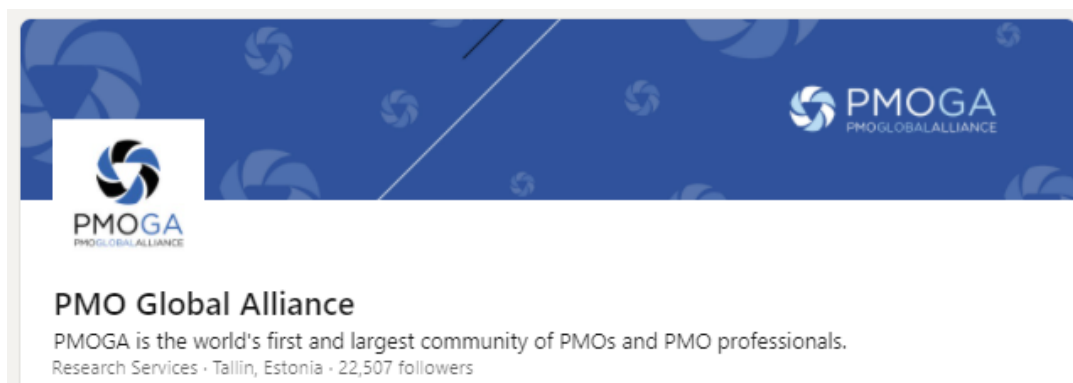
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