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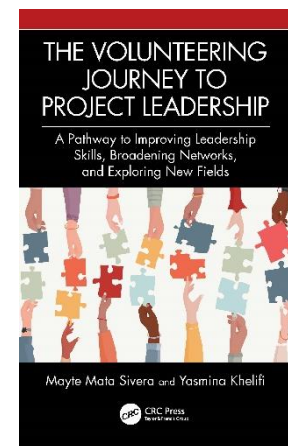Sivera - Khelifi
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New book offers career advice and practical guidance to project management professionals worldwide

15 August 2024 – France, UK, USA – CRC Press has announced the availability of an important new book for those in the project management profession. Titled *The Volunteering Journey to Project Leadership: A Pathway to Improving Leadership Skills, Broadening Networks, and Exploring New Fields*, the book is authored by Mayte Mata Sivera and Yasmina Khelifi, professional leaders with vast volunteering experience. While the book has a copyright date of 2025, it will be available in September with a nice discount now offered for pre-orders.

According to the Routledge website, the project management profession has grown through the hard work of many volunteer groups and organizations. *The Volunteering Journey to Project Leadership* explains how volunteering can help project management professionals grow their own capabilities and careers. It explains how volunteering in project-oriented organizations, or any organization where projects are delivered, can help project managers develop leadership skills, build strong and diverse networks, and gain experiences in new fields. Any project manager or PMO can get advice and insights from this book, which explains how to:

- Identify volunteering goals that align with career goals

- Find the right organization that complements professional aspiration

- Choose activities for enhancing careers in project leadership

- Strategically select the right role to advance careers

Based on the authors' own volunteering and professional experiences, as well as interviews and informal discussion with more than 100 volunteers, this book is a hands-on guide to personal and professional growth in the field of project management. It is structured in three parts. Part I describes four ways volunteering can develop project leadership abilities. Part II focuses on leadership and adaptative skills, networking, and new skills gained by experimenting. Part III consolidates the learning and explains how to apply it at work. Each chapter ends with practical case studies, detailed interviews, key takeaways, and questions to reflect on.

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To learn more or to pre-order the book, go to https://www.routledge.com/The-Volunteering-Journey-to-Project-Leadership-A-Pathway-to-Improving-Leadership-Skills-Broadening-Networks-and-Exploring-New-Fields/Sivera-Khelifi/p/book/9781032521497

Editor's note: Yasmina Khelifi is a well-established and highly respected international correspondent for the PM World Journal and Library. We want to congratulate Yasmina and Mayte for this outstanding achievement. And… we suggest everyone purchase the book.