

apfpm's Newsletter



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What is happening!

As we head into Christmas and end of year period I reflect on 2012 as having been a busy and productive year for the apfpm, and I know this is the same also for many of our MA's. 2013 is looking to be a year of further growth for the apfpm with likely new members in our Asian region joining us, and the further strengthening and development of a number of our Committees.

We thank Indonesia's IAMPI for doing a great job of hosting this year's apfpm Awards, and look forward to the 2013 Awards in India to be hosted by PMA India next year.

I have included a brief write up on some of our recent past events as well as key events coming up in 2013.

I take this opportunity to wish everyone a very happy and safe Christmas period, and an exciting and productive year ahead in 2013.

With Best Regards, Bill Young

Relationship between apfpm / IPMA

There is a very good relationship between apfpm / IPMA folk. We are keen to formalise this through a Memorandum of Understanding so we can set out how we could actually collaborate more effectively. One obvious area is with the work we are doing mainly in the Asian region to help locals establish independent PM Associations where there are none. And we have targeted about 15 countries in this category. So to have a partner, the likes of IPMA, working together on this, would be a tremendous step forward.

We will hear back from IPMA in the New Year on how we can progress this further.

Important upcoming events in 2013

ConsMa event in Seoul, Korea from 10 - 12 March

apfpm is joining forces with the Construction Management Association of Korea (CMAK) to host the international ConsMa event in Seoul in 2013. The apfpm will be holding its formal meeting at this event also. Please note dates in your diary with more program details on our website in the New Year.

27th IPMA World Congress, Dubrovnik, Croatia from 30 Sept - 3 October

The Project Management World Congress will be held in Dubrovnik; a most beautiful city located on the Adriatic coast. The World Congress is a very special event and attendance is highly recommended.

Global Symposium in New Delhi, India from 9 - 11 December

apfpm is joining forces with Project Management Associates of India (PMA India) to host the highly respected Global Symposium event in New Delhi in 2013. Apart from the symposium itself the apfpm will also be holding its Awards celebrations, and formal federation meeting. Please note dates in your diary with more program details on our website over the next few months.

Some recent events in 2012

Japan's – PMAJ

The *Project Management Symposium Japan 2012* was hosted by PMAJ in Funabori, Tokyo in early September 2012. Total 2,100 people attended mainly from the Kanto Area in Japan. Under the main theme of '*Let's create a new future*', two keynote speeches were delivered and 49 seminars and workshops were provided and discussed.

The PM Symposium has been held every year since in 1998 with the symposium now being in its 15th year. PMAJ is looking forward to another big event in 2013.

Singapore's – SPM

In early October 2012 SPM held their annual conference themed, '*Emerging Project Management trends of this decade*'.

SPM's President Mr Seah Choo Meng welcomed a large group to the conference, including the Deputy Chairman and Secretary-General of the Construction Project Management Committee of China Construction Industry Association (CPMC).

Presentations were given on:

- **Forefront of China's Project Management experience** By Mr Wu Tao, Deputy Chairman and Secretary-General of CCIA (CPMC)
- **Advance Info Package / Early Contractor's Involvement initiatives for project bid process** By Mr Eugene Seah
- **GAAPS – Global initiative to advance Project Management** By Dr Alicia Aitken, GAAPS

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- **Cultural Intelligence - essential for international business** By : Dr Bill Young
- **Project Management - Improved productivity through the BIM process** By Jim Tan, XCube Solutions
- **Project and Program Management in the Space of Complexity and Uncertainty** By Dr Hiroshi Tanaka (Adviser and immediate past president of Project Management Association of Japan)
- **Design & Build solutions for Complex Projects** By Mr Hirotsugu Yamaguchi (GM, Building Design Department) and Mr Yukio Tokumoto (GM, Building Plan Department) Takenaka Corp.
- **Delivery of Healthcare projects in Singapore** By Ms Lenny Chew, MOHH

A brief synopsis of Young's apfpm presentation.

Cultural Intelligence – is it really that important?

At SPM Conference Bill Young, President of the apfpm, presented a discussion on Cultural Intelligence (CQ). Young is a strong advocate for its need and application in international business and project management.

National cultures vary significantly. They embody preferential patterns of thinking that are displayed in the practices and behaviours of individuals and communities. The core of culture is based on deeply held beliefs and values and although typically unconscious in everyday thinking strongly shape decision making, and thought processes.

CQ involves the ability to turn off the subconscious 'auto pilot', and learn to pay attention in a reflective and creative way in cross cultural situations. It is the ability to learn and develop understanding around how and why people behave in certain ways. It is taking a wiser perspective based on respect, building mutual understanding, and shared knowledge and avoiding stereotyping.

For those interested in following up on this topic; Young is preparing a series that will be published in the Project Management World Journal (e-journal PMWJ) entitled '*Dragons, Camels, and Kangaroos*'. With over 30 years' experience delivering projects internationally he explores aspects of national cultures that impact business ventures and projects. His focus is on ways to help business manage international projects more successfully. The series will commence in January 2013.

26th IPMA World Congress - 'Integrating Project Management Standards'

Despite the fact that Greece was experiencing some rather significant economic challenges the Greek Project Management Association put on a most enjoyable World Congress event. Chaired by Professor John-Paris Pantouvakis, and Program chaired by Miles Shepherd the Congress was held on the beautiful Mediterranean island of Crete, former home of the ancient Minoan civilisation. The Congress comprised a diverse range of presentations including globally recognised speakers the likes of Dr Martin Barnes (President of APM – UK). The idyllic venue also provided great networking opportunities with old and new friends.



2012 Asia Pacific Project Management Awards (Indonesia)

The 2012 apfpm Awards were held in Jakarta on 1st December, hosted by Indonesia's national Project Management Association 'Ikatan Ahli Manajemen Proyek Indonesia' (IAMPI). The internationally attended event, was incorporated into IAMPI's Government sponsored conference on 'Competitive Enhancement Accelerating Green Infrastructure Development'.

The apfpm Awards program recognises, awards, and celebrates the best of the best. It is an acknowledgement of the vital role project management and project managers perform throughout society.



The Awards submissions were diverse ranging; from community development and humanitarian projects to the more traditional building development and engineering Projects. They reflected the extent to which Project Management has advanced to encompass just about every aspect of life. All nominees not only delivered project management excellence for their customers but have contributed to enhance the reputation of project management to business and our communities at large.

The Awards host IAMPI (Indonesia) put on a great event in collaboration with the apfpm Awards Committee. All contributed to deliver a successful 2012 Awards program.

Winners and commendation recipients were:

Construction / Engineering Category

- **Winner - Paul Y Engineering Group Ltd** - Hong Kong for the Redevelopment of Pak Sui Yuen Project
- **High Commendation - Hong Kong Housing Authority** for Choi Wan Road Public Housing Development
- **Chief Judges Commendation - Housing Development Board of Singapore** for the Main Housing Upgrade Programme



Telecommunications & Information Technology Category

Winner - *Tabcorp Holdings Limited* of Australia for the Technology Demerger Program

High Commendation - *Indosat* of Indonesia for the SGSN Expansion Project

Organisation / Change Management Category

Winner - *Bupa Australia* for the Bupa Brand Program

Humanitarian, Community Service / Regional Development Category

Winner - *NSW Public Works*, Department of Finance and Services for STP Stage 2

Chief Judges Commendation - *Underprivileged Children's Educational Program* (UCEP) for the M.O.S.T project (Nepal)

We heartedly congratulate all Award recipients for contributing to showcase some the best project outcomes and team performances throughout the Asia Pacific.

2013 apfpm Awards program submission guidelines are now available on the apfpm website (www.apfpm.org), including the newly added Project Management Research Award. The 2013 apfpm Awards will be celebrated in **New Delhi, India in early December 2013**.

Some photos from the 2012 apfpm awards ceremony on the following pages

Winners included:



Cat. A - Paul Y Group



Cat B – Tab Corp



Cat C – Bupa



Cat D – NSW Public Works



**Dr Francis Chan (HKIPM) awarding
Paul Y. Engineering Group**



**Dr Francis Chan (HKIPM) &
Pak Hari Soeparto (IAMPI)**



CEO Paul Y. Engineering Group



**Rahayu Arifin awarding
BUPA Australia to Bill
Young**

2013 apfpm Awards program: see website (www.apfpm.org)



Photo left: Vice Minister of Public Works Indonesia awarding Er. Ng Say Cheong HDB, Singapore.
Photo right: Award ceremony



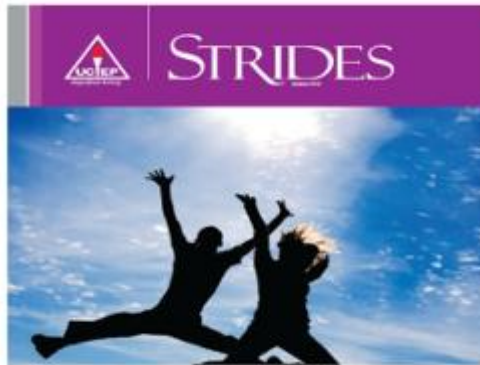
Photo left: Vice Minister of Public Works Indonesia awarding Dr Wong Kam Cheong
Photo right: Er. Ng Say Cheong & Albert Law of HDB, Singapore



Nepalese MOST Project Team Awarded by Dr Bill Young

Some of the other impressive project submissions included the following:

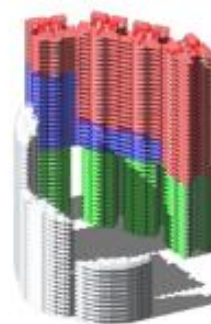
Market Oriented Short Term Training (MOST) Project



(NTRC) project - Nurses with MDR TB patients



Choi Wan Road Public Housing Development Project



West Rail Tsuen Wan West Station TW5 Cityside Property Development Project





Gardens by the Bay South Project



Qld Rail South Brisbane Station Project



..... all great projects.



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The next Newsletter will be published in March / April 2013. Please send any comments, suggestions, or articles to the interim Editor: bill.young2010@gmail.com.

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