

apfpm's Newsletter



Asia Pacific Federation of Project Management

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What's happening!

This Newsletter has been focused on the Asia Pacific Congress 2014 and its outcomes.

The Congress proved a great success on many levels. Coupled with the IPMA Research Conference in Tianjin held directly following the main Congress much learning and discussion took place. The Congress was also a lot of fun and opportunity to network with old and new friends, and see some of China.

Stacy Goff IPMA Vice President provided the following commentary on the Congress.

apfpm and PMRC Beijing 29-30 November Congress Celebrated

5 December 2014 – Zurich, Switzerland and Beijing, China – The Asia Pacific Federation of Project Management (apfpm), Project Management Research Committee (PMRC, IPMA-China), and International Project Management Association (IPMA) joined together in Beijing, China, for a highly successful two-day event.



With the theme, **Driving Business Value Through Delivering Project Success**, hosted by PMRC, and organized by PMRC and apfpm, this great event attracted over 400 National, Asia Pacific, and International speakers and participants.



Photo by Les Squires, on the steps of main hall, Beihang University, Beijing. Temperature was -10C°

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Magnificently organized by PMRC and Secretary-general and Vice President Dr. Ou Lixiong (welcoming participants in the photo below right), with the assistance of apfpm Chair Dr. Bill Young, the event began with an Opening Ceremony, with sequentially-translated speeches by a wide variety of organizing sponsors and dignitaries, from Beihang University, and from China, Asia Pacific, and International associations.

After the traditional photo-session break, keynotes included a unique dual-speaker keynote by IPMA President Mladen Radujkovic and IPMA VP Marketing & Events, Stacy Goff (as usual, what a team!); their topic: When and How Project Managers Add Value and Increase Benefits. Next, Li Jin, of Alibaba, discussed Project Management in the Era of Big Data, and Ms. Tan Mei discussed Lunar Exploration Program Management.

In the afternoon keynotes, Professor Tomas Blomquist travelled from Sweden to present A New Approach of Driving Business by Projects; and Dr. Zhou Guohua treated us to insights into China's High-speed Rail Development and Project Management. Next, the plenary audience honored the Awards Winners for apfpm Project Management Achievement Awards, and China Achievement and Excellent Paper Awards (reported separately).



In closing Day One keynotes, Matti Ahvenharju, Chairman of the Board of Project Institute Finland, presented Delivering Successful Business through Holistic Development of Enterprise Project Management, and Ding Ronggui, Professor of the School of Management, Shandong University, China, presented Chinese Wisdom in Project Governance.

In keeping with this being the official apfpm Congress, delegates then participated in the formal apfpm Member Association meeting, then interested participants joined for dinner at a local restaurant—into the late hours.

Day Two of the Congress featured breakout sessions that explored a wide range of topics in parallel; many of the sessions were so popular that there was standing-room only for them. Among the topics, each with multiple excellent speakers, were:

- Project Financing/PPP and New-type Urbanization
- Project Management Practice and Innovation
- Project Management Informatization
- Chinese Wisdom in Project Management
- Power Engineering Project Management
- Organizational Project Management Systems and Competence Development
- International Projects and Cross Culture
- Project Management Automotive R&D and Manufacturing
- Young Crew Forum



Great Wall Excursion

For International event participants who arrived early, apfpm Chair Bill Young and his wife Yustina organized a pre-event expedition to China's Great Wall.

The combination of history, exercise, fresh air, and dialogue was an excellent kick-off, as participants from over 10 nations got to know each other. Our deep thank you's go to Bill and Yustina Young.

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About apfpm



apfpm is the Asia Pacific Federation of Project Management. It is a regional group of independent national project management associations across the Asia Pacific. It operates through a virtual network of committees, including Governance, Membership, Alliances, Achievement Awards, and Website Development. apfpm and IPMA signed a strategic Memorandum of Understanding in 2014 to cooperate together. The apfpm website is www.apfpm.org.

About PMRC



PMRC, Project Management Research Committee, IPMA China, is China's cross-industry national professional project management organization. In addition to their large number of national and international strategic relationships, PMRC offers the IPMA 4 Level Certification System, presents an important range of practitioner and research-oriented events each year, and has promoted the development of professional and international project management for over 23 years.

About IPMA



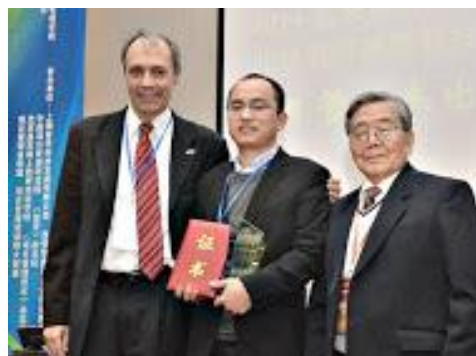
Founded in 1965 and registered in Switzerland, the International Project Management Association (IPMA) is the world's first global project management professional organization. IPMA is an international federation of more than 55 national project management societies in Africa, Asia, Europe and the Americas. IPMA sponsors research, standards, awards, seminars, an annual world congress and the IPMA Young Crew, all related to professional project, programme and portfolio management. For more information about IPMA, visit www.ipma.ch.

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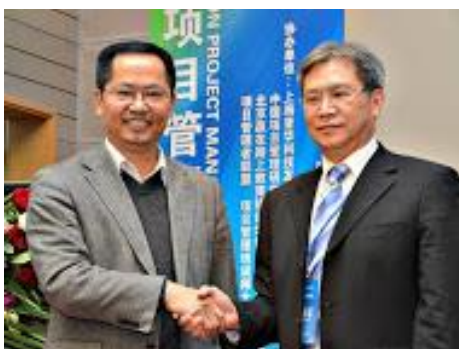
The following is an expose of photos of the Congress taken by Dr Les Squires. Many thanks Les for this great endeavour capturing our memories.







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apfpm 2014 PROJECT MANAGEMENT AWARDS

The Asia Pacific Federation of Project Management 2014 Congress commenced in Beijing on 29th November was the culmination an exciting period for those projects, project managers and researchers who had entered submissions into the annual apfpm Project Management Achievement Awards (PMAA).

This was the fourth year the apfpm awards have been conducted. Over the past two years, apfpm has introduced new categories to align the apfpm awards with the International Project Management Association (IPMA) Achievement Awards. The apfpm winners in aligned categories within the IPMA Achievement Awards can be transitioned directly to IPMA.



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2014 is a real breakthrough year for the apfpm awards as it is the first time that the winners of our individual awards, regional development and international humanitarian aid awards will be submitted to IPMA Achievement Awards. But this is not the only first to occur this year. In addition, it is the first year that:

- individual awards (Project Manager of the Year and Young Project Manager of the Year) have been included; and
- submissions were received in the Research category (even though this category was first introduced last year).



Mark Patch – Chief Judge



For those who have won their MA awards, the apfpm awards represents an opportunity to be recognised at an Asia Pacific regional level. For those who do not have MA awards and submitted directly to apfpm, it has been an opportunity for them to benchmark their projects against the best in the Asia Pacific. For winning submissions in specific categories, it has presented an opportunity to progress through to the IPMA awards at the 2015 World Congress.

The apfpm Asia Pacific Congress hosted by China's PMRC at Bei Hang University in Beijing.

In 2014, the apfpm award winners (noting that submissions were not received in all categories) were as follows:

Award Category	Winner	High Commendation	Commendation
Category A Construction/Engineering	Public Rental Housing at Kwai Shing Circuit	Transport Network Reconstruction Program	Victorian Emergency Training Centre
Category B Telecommunications/Infor mation Technology	Aurora Energy Full Retail Contestability Project		
Category D Community Service and/or Regional Development	Kai Tak Fire Station	Public Transport WA Disability Access Stage 2	
Category F Research	Health and Safety Measures for Working in Hot Weather	A Buildability Assessment System for the Scheme Design Stage of Building Projects	Procuring for Innovations with a “Three Envelope System”
PM of the Year	Steve Gibson		
Young PM Of the Year	Ben Burrows		
Project of the Year	Hong Kong Housing Authority Public Rental Housing at Kwai Shing Circuit		

The apfpm congratulates all those who entered the 2014 awards. Every entrant is a winner and should be celebrated within their organisation and MA. We look forward expectantly to the further success of our winners as they compete at the IPMA Achievement Awards for the first time.





Important upcoming events in 2015

IPMA World Congress 2015 in Panama

The 29th IPMA World Congress will be held in Panama City, Panama, on September 29-October 1. Headquarters for this will be the Panama City Hard Rock Hotel, which evokes the challenges of successful project management today: Rhythm, Creativity, Elegance, and sometimes, lots of noise!

Announcements to watch for include the celebration of the Panama Canal's 100th anniversary, IPMA's 50th anniversary, and Young Crew's 10th anniversary. Expect the Call for Papers in January-February 2015, and plan to attend!

Australian Institute of Project Management Conference (Tasmania)

AIPM National Conference, Hobart, Tasmania Sunday 4th to Wednesday 7th October 2015



All details on website:
<http://www.aipm2015.com.au/>

World class journals - publishing opportunities

Project Management World Journal (PMWJ)



Produced and edited by David Pells, this global reaching journal provides an excellent platform for sharing contemporary cutting edge topics on Project and Program Management.

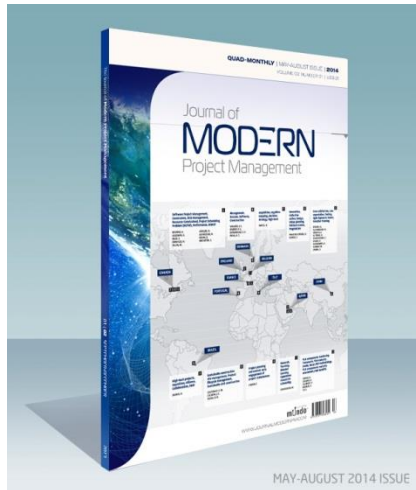
To find out more contact PMWJ via: www.pmworldjournal.net

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Another great publishing opportunity:

Journal of Modern Project Management (JMPM)

This is another highly professional journal that presents publishing opportunities. Make contact with **Zóximo** through the following website: www.journalmodernpm.com



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The next Newsletter will be published in April 2015. Please send any comments, suggestions, or articles to: bill.young2010@gmail.com.

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