**Zagreb** 2019 IPMA<sup>®</sup> **7<sup>th</sup> Research** 

# Trust in Major and Mega Projects

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The paramount epistemological question concerning trust is whether, or not – to trust someone or something. Trust enhances cooperation and often viewed as a foundation for social order and an important social resource that facilitates collaboration and enables coordinated social interaction. In this connection, projects as temporary organizational frameworks deserve special attention. Various types of trust are deeply embedded in megaprojects, which concern many layers of civil society. In particular: interpersonal, intrafirm, and inter-firm trust becomes intertwined in intra-project trust. This is where psychology, sociology, and economics are needed to understand all the interactions involved.

Megaprojects are temporary endeavors (i.e. projects) characterized by large investment commitment, vast complexity (especially in organizational terms), and long-lasting impact on the economy, the environment, and society.

An emerging field of research in Megaprojects is trust, corruption and unethical behavior. Megaprojects are also an ideal setting for trustful, corrupted and unethical behavior because of their characteristics in terms of Size, Uniqueness, Government involvement, Number of contractual links, Project complexity, Concealed work, Culture of secrecy, entrenched national interests etc.

The research literature and the global standards, such as IPMA Individual Competence Baseline (ICB) consider trust as an important social competence that allows achieving success in projects. In major and mega projects, developing trust is hence even more important, due to above-noted challenges.

#### This year theme of the 7<sup>th</sup> IPMA Research Conference 2018 is Trust in Major and Megaprojects.

The conference will go in parallel with 14<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Organization, Technology and Management in Construction and IPMA Megaproject SIG which will be a perfect setting for networking amongst different communities of practice interested in trust and mega projects.

# Topics

- » Stakeholder management influence on trust
- » Trust and project performance
- » Corruption in projects
- » Job satisfaction and trust in projects
- » Trust in different procurement routes
- » Value of trust in project business
- » Trust as the leaver of success in projects
- » Trust as a governance mechanism
- » Drivers and barriers in building trust in projects

### Important dates

- » Submission of conference papers: Apr 15, 2019
- » Notification of acceptance: May 15, 2019
- » Submission of revised papers: Jun 1, 2019
- » Early registration deadline for authors: Jun 15, 2019
- » Early registration for non-authors: Aug 01, 2019
- » Cancellation without penalty: Jul 01, 2019
- » Conference: Sep 04–07, 2019

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All accepted papers will be published in the proceedings submitted for indexing in different databases. Authors of the best papers will be invited to submit an extended version for publishing in international journals.

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## About IPMA Research Conference

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