



PROJECT MANAGEMENT **SUMMIT** 2 0 1 9

Call for Presentations

“Projectification of South Africa Building capacity to lead and succeed”

Extended Deadline: 15 July 2018

Projects and project management have become important to the transformation of South African economy and society. “Projectification”, a concept coined in 1995, means the ever increasing share of work that is done through projects. This is not only at a company or organizational level, but at government and societal levels, too. This is a global phenomenon that has reached South Africa. Projects and project management are more than schedules, charts and other tools. They are about value creation and social processes we use to deliver benefits. Choosing projects and project management as instruments of change, innovation and transformation is a management and strategic choice. It can enable transparency and provide structures for inclusivity and conversations on critical issues impacting all segments of society—economic growth, social change, business and societal transformation, innovation, and delivery of services. The choice to use projects requires professional project management to achieve results—value and benefits creation for organizations and businesses that create projects and for those who should benefit.

What does this increasing use of projects or “projectification” mean for South Africa? What is the impact of project management on leadership and on the ability bring about successful change by business, government, NGOs and by society at large?

The 2019 PM Summit will explore this topic through a variety of formats. Participants will join project management thought leaders in discussion and shape thinking on how project management can positively impact South Africa.

The 2019 PM Summit is accepting proposal abstracts for the Summit to be held on 19 February 2019, at Accolades Conference Centre, Midrand, Johannesburg. A variety of presentation formats will be considered: individual presentations, expert panels, workshops, lightning talks (TED-like talks), and world café conversations (structured conversations on knowledge sharing around café tables, facilitated by café hosts; participants switch tables occasionally).

Suggested topics include:

- National impact of projects and project management
- Selecting the right projects for benefits and value creation
- Projects and project management as part of organization strategic processes
- Project monitoring and impact assessment
- Broadening the dialogue on public service projects
- Using the appropriate project management methodology for the project context
- Agile approaches in project-based delivery of services and products
- Building capacity in professional project management in business, NGO and government sectors
- Recognition of project management and project managers in private and public sectors
- Project management influences on leadership
- Increasing the role of projects in different sectors
- Projects and transformation in private, NGO and public sectors
- Role of project management office (PMO) in different sectors
- Project management in support of entrepreneurial development
- Topical case studies
- How project organizing is changing delivery of public services
- Inclusivity and diversity through broad inclusion of stakeholders
- Public discourse in projects on societal issues
- Improved governance and transparency in projects
- Project work by the NGO sector
- Projects in the arts
- Ethics and anti-corruption measures in projects
- Benchmarking South African project management practices and maturity
- Project management leading the sustainability challenge

Submission:

Submission abstracts must be minimum 350 words to maximum 500 words and submitted in PDF file attached to an email, and submitted to submissions@pmsummit2019.org.za.

Abstracts must include the following in adequate detail:

1. Objective
 2. Description come expected
 3. Structure of presentation and chosen format
 4. Intended audience/participants
 5. Special equipment or set up requirements
- b. Submission must be in PDF format
- c. Presentations must not have been previously presented at a conference or published
- d. Papers and presentations should be free of commercial sales content and should not be supported by promotional materials
- e. Papers and presentations should focus on the subject of the summit, and provide new contributions to the topic.

- f. Biography of no more than 150 words and high resolution photo in jpeg format
- g. Submission of short presentation video is encouraged
- h. Research presentations should adhere to standard academic paper format

Note: Maximum of two submissions per individual

Submission Selection Criteria:

Speakers of selected submissions must be willing and available to work with the engagement facilitator in designing participant interactions. As the PM Summit will be recorded, presenters must agree to be photographed and recorded for purposes of developing PM Summit highlights and promotion.

Speakers will be invited to provide 30-60 second video recordings to advertise their presentations on the PM Summit 2019 website and to engage in social media discussions. Upon acceptance of submission, speakers will be provided the details.

Submissions will be judged according to the following:

- a. Relevance to the conference theme;
- b. Uniqueness and newness of information or perspective;
- c. Knowledge content at intermediate or advance level
- d. Originality of ideas and innovativeness in presentation style or content (speakers will be assisted by the engagement facilitator);
- e. Relevance to latest PMBOK 6th edition and availability of presentation slots.

****Research based presentations will undergo a peer review process.**

NOTE: The Summit Program Team reserves the right to reject or edit any submission whose content is offensive or defamatory, explicitly unethical or if it contains content that is politically sensitive, supports racism, sexual or religious discrimination, illegal activities and terrorism.

Submission and Presentation Review Schedule:

Submission deadline: 15 July 2018

Notification of submission acceptance: 15 August 2018

Submission of presentation for review: 30 September 2018 (Submitted presentations for review should balance the quantity of content and with time for discussion. We want you as presenter to demonstrate your expertise while giving the audience a chance to process your input.)

Presenter work with engagement facilitator: October; to be scheduled.

Submission of final presentation: October/November after revisions based on agreement between facilitator, presenter and PM Summit Program Team.

Speaker Benefits

- Professional Benefits:
 - Pre- and post-event promotion via: emails, brochures, website, relevant social media
 - Recognition before, during and after at the event as a subject matter expert
 - Increased visibility and credibility in the eyes of fellow professionals
 - The opportunity to share ideas, knowledge and experience with delegates across various industries, public sector, and NGO community
- Compensation:
 - Complimentary registration to the conference. Confirmed speakers are responsible for all other costs related to participation in the conference.

Intellectual Property and Ownership of Presentation Materials

Presentations should consist only of the speaker's original work, and it should not violate any proprietary or personal rights of others (including any copyright, trademark and privacy rights), is factually accurate, and contains nothing defamatory or otherwise unlawful. The speaker will be the sole copyright holder of the presentation, or that he or she has obtained all necessary permissions or licenses from any persons or organizations whose material is included or used in his or her presentation.