An Invitation to submit your paper
for India’s Biggest Project Management Research & Academic Conference

PMI India Research & Academic Conference 2019
Project Management in the Emerging World of Disruption
28th February - 2nd March, 2019, IIMK, Kozhikode

Conference background

The Project Management Research & Academic Conference is a three-day professional development event and the fifth in the series of Research & Academic Conferences (RAC) conducted by Project Management Institute (PMI) India biennially since 2011.

The RAC 2019 is being hosted by Indian Institute of Management (IIMK), Kozhikode and co-hosted by Indian Institute of Information Technology and Management-Kerala (IIITMK), Trivandrum.

The last four conferences received overwhelming responses from scholars, senior practitioners and students. Experts from industry as well as education fraternity used the conference as a platform to share their research findings and enunciate the growing need for project professionals across diverse industries. They also laid emphasis on the immediate need to introduce project management education at college level.
Globalization has led to increased competition across the world forcing most industries (like construction, telecom, pharma, IT & ITES, R&D, automobiles, space, airlines, electronics) to undergo a tectonic shift in the way their business was traditionally conducted. Businesses that manage to restructure themselves and operate successfully into projectized organizations have achieved time-to-market agility.

Close to the heels of the third industrial revolution (also known as Digital Revolution-lasting almost three decades), is the next, rather disruptive revolution. Blockchains, Artificial Intelligence (AI), Internet of Things (IoT), 3-D Printing, Big Data Analytics. These are part of Fourth Industrial Revolution (IR 4.0). In this fourth revolution, we are facing a range of new technologies that combine the physical, digital and biological worlds. This has indeed ushered in an era of disruption that constantly challenges the traditional way of handling projects. Business Information Modeling (BIM) is a good example.

The conference theme of "Project management in the emerging world of disruption" tries to answer some of the possible roles of these technologies on a project environment like:

- Will it remove human intelligence in conducting/planning work tasks?
- Will these intelligent tools help augment intelligence and capabilities, supporting human rather than displacing workforce abilities?
- How will the expectations of stakeholders be met?
- How are these going to impact project quality, time and cost?
- What could be the effect on society, environment and business?
- How will sustainability goals be met?
- What would be its role in managing project and enterprise risk (in projectized organizations)?
How you can be part of the conference

The conference organizers look forward to receiving high-quality original research papers, surveys, case studies, technical notes and write-ups that link with the theme (not limited to above aspects). Researchers or practitioners are also encouraged to submit their studies/papers from other areas of project management leading to theory development and/or practical implications.

The selected good quality abstracts would be provided the opportunity for full papers submission so that it can be considered for publication in the reputed IIM Kozhikode Society & Management Review (IIMK SMR) after following the Journals double blind peer review process (https://in.sagepub.com/en-in/sas/journal/iim-kozhikode-society-management-review#submission-guidelines). The journal has been ranked “2” (equivalent to “B” category) in the Academic Journal Guide 2018 published by the Association of Business Schools (ABS Ranking).

Conference highlights

- Plenary sessions
- Technical Paper presentations
- Pre-conference tutorial
- Awards and commemoration of noted academicians/practitioners
- Discussion & networking opportunities
- Good quality final papers have an opportunity to get published at IIMK Society and Management Journal (B-category as per ABS ranking-2018)
- Interested participants can enrol in a 2-day FDP on Project Management to be held at IIMK Kozhikode Campus in February 2019 and earn PDUs (dates will be announced later on the website)

Delegate profile

- Project management professors and scholars
- Practitioners interested in project management academic research
- Post graduate and doctoral students in project management and allied disciplines
Call for papers

Papers are invited on topics related to the theory and practice of project management in the areas of:
- National and International Projects
- R&D/Development/Organizational/infrastructure projects
- Engineering & Construction projects
- Social and Public systems
- Information Communication and Technology
- Project Finance
- Emerging issues in project management such as Project Complexity, Ambidexterity, Benchmarking, Project Recovery, Agile, Concurrent & Set-based/Process Driven Approach
- Other areas that use project management principles

Authorship Information

Authors should mandatorily follow the below guidelines while submitting the extended abstract:
- Separate title page should be provided with Title of manuscript, author’s name (including corresponding author), affiliation and contact information. It is the author’s responsibility to disclose any potential conflict of interest regarding the manuscript.
- The extended abstract submitted should be of 500-1000 words with 1.5 line spacing and should not contain any author’s/affiliation details. It should have 4 keywords. Use of references should be avoided in the extended abstract.
- The font used must be 12-point Times New Roman. British rather than American spellings should be used. Use the ‘z’ variant of British spelling.
- The authors whose extended abstracts are selected for conference will be required to submit the full paper as per the author guidelines mentioned [https://in.sagepub.com/en-in/sas/journal/iim-kozhikode-society-management-review#submission-guidelines](https://in.sagepub.com/en-in/sas/journal/iim-kozhikode-society-management-review#submission-guidelines). The manuscript which do not, adhere to the guideline will be returned for resubmission in required format.
Registration, Submission Guidelines

All authors are requested to log on to https://iimk.ac.in/research/pmiconf2019/ and register themselves as 'New authors'. Authors are required to fill in their personal details after logging-in.

'Call for papers' is divided in two stages which are explained below:

**Stage 1: Extended Abstract submission phase**

**ADDING A NEW ABSTRACT**
- Log in with your credentials on https://iimk.ac.in/research/pmiconf2019/
- Add new abstract (500 to 1000 words)
- Save or Submit your abstract
- 'Save' enables you to log back in at a later date and edit or complete your abstract
- 'Submit' will move your abstract for review and you will not be able to make any changes
- Authors can submit multiple abstracts under the same log-in ID

**REVIEW**
- Your abstract will be reviewed and if selected you shall receive communication to submit your entire manuscript
- Authors can know their status of submission at any point of time in the website after completing the log in process

**Stage 2: Paper submission phase**

**SUBMITTING YOUR PAPER**
- Log in with your credentials on https://iimk.ac.in/research/pmiconf2019/
- All accepted abstracts will be visible on your account
- Click on the selected abstract and upload your paper in a word file (.doc/.docx) in the provision given for uploading your document
- In case of multiple abstracts selected on your account, kindly ensure the paper submitted matches the abstract

**REVIEW**
- All papers are evaluated through a double-blind peer review process
- All papers submitted via the interface will be reviewed and selected papers will be communicated to the respective authors with comments from reviewer
- All authors need to send their final presentation thereafter on or before the due date

Abstracts and papers to be submitted strictly within the interface only. (Links to external sites strictly prohibited)
Submission Format

Call for papers submissions must be written in English in a formal tone and contain original content.

As the full paper are provided opportunity of publication in the IIMK society and management review journal hence the full paper should strictly follow the journal's guidelines provided in https://in.sagepub.com/en-in/sas/journal/iim-kozhikode-society-management-review#submission-guidelines

Any submitted extended abstract or full paper that does not follow the submission guidelines will not be considered for review.

Evaluation Criteria

Some of the criteria that will be used for the evaluation of the Papers include:

1. Originality of topic
2. Relevance and current interest of topic
3. Quality of the paper’s methodology or approach
4. Quality of date or evidence presented
5. Quality of the theoretical foundation or critical stance
6. Quality of the writing (whether it is easily understandable)
7. Quality of the literature review
8. Quality of conclusions supported by evidence
9. Strength and coherence of the line of argument
10. Overall quality of the paper

(All papers will go through a plagiarism check to ascertain its originality)
Selected Papers

The decision of Technical Review Committee of PMI RAC 2019 is final. The final decision (after full paper review) conveyed to the author can be one of the following:

a) The extended abstract is selected for publication in conference proceedings and the paper has been selected for Journal Publication.
b) The full manuscript is accepted for publication in the conference proceedings and for presentation at the conference.
c) The manuscript is accepted for presentation at the conference
d) The manuscript is selected for a poster presentation but does not feature in the conference proceedings

Presentations

As the PMI Research and Academic Conference attendees comprise not only academic researchers and educators, but practitioners as well, Authors are requested to keep these audiences in mind while making presentations.

Additional Information

- If the paper is selected for presentation in the conference, the author must attend the Conference to present the same
- Conference registration must be completed by 21st December 2018, failing which their paper will be withdrawn from the Proceedings
- If an author plans to present more than three papers, another co-author will also have to register
- Conference organizers reserve the right to edit all papers and abstracts for grammatical and editorial style as well as length and clarity
- Delegate fees, travel, accommodation and other fees have to be borne by the presenters themselves
Previous Conferences

- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Delhi in 2017
- National Institute of Industrial Engineering (NITIE), Mumbai in 2015
- Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Madras in 2013
- National Institute of Construction Management and Research (NICMAR), Pune in 2011

To submit your abstract, please log on to: https://iimk.ac.in/research/pmiconf2019/

The authors, whose papers are selected, need to sign an agreement with PMI on the terms and conditions.

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