


PROJECT MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATIONS

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Benefits of Project Management Certification

- Companies' strategy is implemented by projects. More and more companies and organisations consider Project Management as their Strategic objective.
- Organisations need personnel with solid project management competence.
- Personnel have common PM language & unified way of working
- The certification programme enables individuals to be recognised for their competence in managing projects, irrespective of their basic academic/professional background.
- Project management certification is highly regarded - it improves one's capability to deliver better, faster, less expensive products and services.
- Performance based certification secures competitive differentiation
- Project management plays a key role in global business environment - certification ensures that you have standards by which project management performance can be measured.

Benefits of PM Certification for the Companies

- It provides a benchmark for the recruitment, training and development of project management staff.
- Marketing tool by demonstrating the company's commitment to excellence in project management and the competence of its staff at managing projects.
- It helps significantly, in addition to other employee technical qualifications, to provide confidence to clients that the company can handle the clients' business efficiently and cost effectively.

Benefits of PM Certification for the Employees

- It provides peer recognition of one's competence.
- Demonstrate a proficient level of project management leadership skills
- Able to get better salaries than not-certified colleagues
- It compliments and enhances other technical or business qualifications by demonstrating that an individual is also competent in the crucial ability to manage projects.
- Transferability of an individual's skills from one company or industry to another.
- Individuals enhance their confidence in their project management and general business knowledge.

Benefits of PM Certification for the Customers

- It enables clients to assess a proposed project manager's competence.
- It gives confidence that company and project manager are competent to manage the project
- It provides positive proof that the individual concerned has gained peer recognition of his/her ability to manage projects.

Project Management Associations

- **PMI Project Management Institute**
- **IPMA International Project Management Association**

PMI - Project Management Institute

- Originating from USA
- More than 240,000 members in over 160 countries
- Over 242 000 certified PMPs
- PMI is the leading membership association for the project management profession.
- Leader as the global certification body for project management. PMP is most widely known PM certificate
- PMI's Guide to Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK) is "de facto" Standard for Project Management. Widely used around the world.
- Standards also for Program Management and Portfolio Management

IPMA International Project Management Association

- Over 40,000 members in 40 countries
- Registered in Switzerland
- Projektiyhdistys is IPMA's member association in Finland
- Over 60,000 IPMA Certified Professionals
- 4 level PM certification: IPMA A, B, C and D
- ICB- IPMA Competence Baseline
 - sets out the knowledge and experience expected from the managers of projects, programmes and project portfolios.

Project Management Institute

- Advocacy for the profession, setting professional standards, conducting research and providing access to a wealth of information and resources.
- PMI also promotes career and professional development and offers certification, networking and community involvement opportunities.
- By becoming a member of PMI you will build relationships, improve your skills, gain access to the most up-to-date knowledge and learn from some of the best in the field.
- PMI member benefits, such as:
 - PMI publications such as *PM Network*® magazine
 - Discounted fees on credential exams, events and continuing education classes
 - Gain access to member-exclusive web content

PMI's Certifications

- The preparation process for each of PMI's credentials differs but always includes intensive study and examination.
- Three Levels:
 - Program Management Professional (PgMP)
 - Project Management Professional (PMP®)
 - Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM®)

The Project Management Professional (PMP®)

- **Applicants must have 35 hours of specific project management education.**
- **With a Bachelor's Degree (or the global equivalent): Applicants must have a minimum three years' professional project management experience, during which 4,500 hours are spent leading and directing project tasks, up to eight years from the time of application.**
- **Without a Bachelor's Degree (or the global equivalent): Applicants must have a minimum five years' professional project management experience, during which at least 7,500 hours are spent leading and directing project tasks, up to eight years from the time of application.**
- **The PMP Credential Examination**
 - Four-hour examination
 - 200 multiple-choice questions measures your ability to apply knowledge, skills and techniques used in project management.
 - Developed by groups of individuals from around the globe who hold the PMP credential and is routinely reviewed and revised to ensure the best and consistently objective assessment.

The Project Management Professional (PMP®)

- Project Management Professional (PMP®) credential process received ISO 17024 accreditation.
- It elevates the status of PMP holders on projects, within organizations and within the global project management community
- It allows organizations that employ PMP holders to reference the ISO 17024 certification as a qualifier for competence and capability of their employees
- It assures those professionals considering PMP certification that PMI's certification system is recognized in the global business community
- **Maintaining Your Credential**
- PMI requires individuals to maintain their credential's active status.
- Individuals who do not maintain this status allow their credentials to expire and are no longer allowed to refer to themselves as Program Management Professionals (PgMPSM), PMP or Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM®) holders. While nothing is required to maintain an academic degree, continuing education is a requirement for maintaining most PMI credentials. Participation in continuing education activities indicates to your peers, employers and employees that you are committed to professional development.

PMI Publications

- **PMI publications include:**
- • **PM Network**®: Award-winning monthly magazine that covers trends, tools, techniques and best practices
- • **PMI's Career Track**: Biannual publication delivered with *PM Network* that helps practitioners plan and advance their careers
- • **Leadership in Project Management**: Award-winning publication that helps readers build leadership skills; features advice and lessons learned from top executives
- • **Project Management Journal**®: PMI's quarterly peer-refereed academic and research journal
- • **PMI Today**®: Monthly newsletter delivered with *PM Network* that keeps members up-to-date on Institute news and events
- Several online **e-newsletters** with information targeted to specific audiences, helping readers to remain up-to-date on the news they need.

IPMA PM certification levels

IPMA chose to define four levels of competence:

- **At IPMA Level A:** the candidate has to have: demonstrated successful use of the competence elements in the coordination of programmes and/or portfolios; guided programme and/or project managers in their development and in the use of the competence elements; been involved in implementing the competence elements or relevant methodology, techniques or tools in projects or programmes; and contributed to the development of the project manager's profession by publishing articles or presenting papers on his experiences or by outlining new concepts.
- **At IPMA Level B:** the candidate has to have demonstrated successful use of the competence elements in complex project situations. The candidate has also guided (sub) project managers in their application and implementation of the competence.
- **At IPMA Level C:** the candidate has to have demonstrated successful use of the competence element in project situations with limited complexity. The candidate might need to be guided in the further development of the competence element.
- **At IPMA Level D:** only knowledge related to the competence element is assessed (by written examination).

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