

# PMI Mid-Mo Chapter News

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## Online PMI® Membership Renewal Now Available for Members!

PMI is pleased to announce that an online membership renewal process has been implemented. Now, if you wish to renew your membership, you will have the option to log onto the Members Area of the PMI Web site at [www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org) and choose "Member Log On" to complete the renewal process at any time or place convenient to you!

You will be automatically alerted within three months of the expiration date of your membership each time you access the Members Area of the PMI Web site. Likewise, if your membership has expired, you will be alerted that your membership is no longer current. In either case, you may take the opportunity to renew your membership or rejoin online.

The online renewal process also allows you to update your demographic and contact information; renew or join PMI Components (chapters, specific interest groups or colleges); add or renew airmail service if you reside outside of North America; and make a donation to the PMI Educational fundation.

**Important:** Please take a moment and visit this newly enhanced PMI Members Area at [www.pmi.org](http://www.pmi.org) and validate your contact information. Please pay particular attention to ensure your preferred e-mail address is correct. The PMI Board of Directors and the PMI Certification Board Center election process, via the Internet, is fast approaching.

## In the News

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PMI Friday Facts and Leadership Links*

- **PMI Global Congress 2003-Europe makes its mark!**  
PMI's first in a series of ongoing global congresses was a resounding success, drawing a total of 556 attendees from more than 50 countries! Participants benefited from the same high quality learning and networking experiences that have long been the tradition of PMI's Seminars & Symposia. Attendees were also treated to an interesting and very entertaining keynote address from acclaimed author and business advisor Fons Trompenaars, who spoke on the vast opportunities that cultural diversity presents in the global marketplace. If you missed this year's congress, be sure to mark your calendars for 19-23 April 2004 when PMI Global Congress 2004-Europe will be held in Prague, Czech Republic.
- **German translation of the PMBOK® Guide is now available.** To better support project practitioners around the world, and to maintain global project management standards, PMI has released the German translation of A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide-2000 Edition), one of eight official translations being offered. Global practitioners can now study the PMBOK® Guide in the same language in which they plan to take the Project Management Professional (PMP®) Certification Exam! Already available in Chinese, German, Japanese, Spanish and Brazilian-Portuguese, additional translations in French and Korean will follow shortly. The PMBOK® Guide Official German translation (ISBN 1930699212, Nonmember Price \$35.95 (US), Member Price \$28.75 (US)) can be purchased in paperback at [www.pmi bookstore.org](http://www.pmi bookstore.org).
- **The complete collection of presentations from PMI Global Congress 2003-Europe will be available** for purchase through the PMI® James R. Snyder Center for Project Management Knowledge & Wisdom. Links to a list of all the presentations and a form for quick and convenient ordering will be available on the Center's home page. The files will be delivered in PDF format only. ([marjorie.smink@pmi.org](mailto:marjorie.smink@pmi.org))

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## CHANGES IN PMI CONTINUING CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS PROGRAM

**PMP® Application for Certification Renewal mailing update.** The PMI® Certification Department has altered the process of sending Applications for Certification Renewal. The Application for Certification Renewal is the final step in the Continuing Certification Requirements (CCR) program. After a PMP completes all required Professional Development Units (PDUs) for their current CCR cycle, they will be approved to receive the Application for Certification Renewal. In the past, the Application for Certification Renewal was not mailed out until the final six months of a PMP certificant's CCR cycle. In an effort to better inform PMPs that their PDUs have been completed, the Application for Certification Renewal is now being sent to qualifying PMPs as soon as PMI Headquarters receives confirmation from PMI Records that all required PDUs have been accumulated. A PMP's CCR cycle expiration date will not change regardless of when they complete their CCR during their cycle. This change in procedure will reduce uncertainty regarding PMP renewal status. As a result of this change, many PMPs will get their updated/renewal certificate package significantly in advance of the cycle dates to which it applies. PMPs are reminded to keep their certification documentation in a safe place where it can easily be accessed in the event of an audit.

**Effective 1 January 2004 PMI will implement a processing fee for certification renewal.** Effective 1 January 2004 PMI will implement a processing fee for certification renewal. Renewing PMPs will be charged this fee once during each Continuing Certification Requirements cycle. Payment will be required with submission of the Application for Certification Renewal after a PMP has completed their PDUs. The amount of the certification renewal processing fee is \$150 (US) non-member \$75 (US) member.

**PMI® Introduces "PMP Retired" Status.** PMI's Certification Board Center Board of Directors recently approved a "PMP Retired" status to recognize individuals with the Project Management Professional (PMP®) accreditation who have demonstrated a lasting commitment to the project management profession, but whose primary income is no longer derived from project-related employment/services. PMPs in good standing who wish to voluntarily relinquish their active PMP credentials due to retirement, and who have abided by the PMI Project Management Professional Code of Professional Conduct, are eligible to apply for PMP Retired status. To qualify, PMPs must no longer be receiving primary remuneration for practicing project management and must have been a PMP in good standing for at least 10 consecutive years. Individuals who are granted this new distinction will not need to meet requirements of the PMP Continuing Certification Requirements program. Although not a credential for practice, PMP Retired status will entitle individuals to recognition in the registry of PMPs and to participate in activities of the PMI Certification Program. Anyone interested in applying for PMP Retired recognition should mail a written request to PMI Headquarters, Attn: Certification Department, Four Campus Boulevard, Newtown Square, PA, 19073-3299, USA

See PMI website PMI Certification Renewal section for further information

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- **Registration is now open for PMI Global Congress 2003-North America!** Plan now to join us in Baltimore, Maryland, USA, on 21-23 September at this second in a series of PMI Global Congresses, another vital step in PMI's ongoing commitment to offer high-impact, high-quality professional development to its surging global membership. Additional PMI Global Congresses, all built upon the strengths and best traditions of PMI Annual Seminars & Symposia, are planned in 2004 and 2005 to serve the Latin American and Asia/Pacific regions. An unparalleled learning and networking experience!

Conveniently complemented by PMI SeminarsWorld® offerings (18-21 September and 24-25 September), PMI Leadership Meeting activities (18-20 September) and PMI Research Program and PMI Standards Program Open Working Sessions (21 September), the upcoming PMI Global Congress 2003-North America presents a matchless environment to network with your project management peers while enjoying the same high-quality educational experience that has long been the hallmark of PMI's Annual Seminars & Symposia. There is simply no other professional development event like this in project management! Visit PMI Global Congress 2003-North America today!

[www.pmiglobalcongresses.fusionproductions.com/NorthAmerica2003/](http://www.pmiglobalcongresses.fusionproductions.com/NorthAmerica2003/)



- **PMI appoints new Manager of Publications.** PMI is pleased to announce that David Parker has been appointed to the position of PMI Manager of Publications. Parker has more than 20 years of experience in a variety of media companies and publishing environments, both in the U.S. and Europe, and has a solid background in new product launches and improved business performance. Most recently, Parker was the publisher and country manager of New World Publishing, Polska, S.P., in Warsaw, Poland. Parker, a graduate of Ohio State University (USA), began his employment with PMI on 16 June 2003. ([gary.boyle@pmi.org](mailto:gary.boyle@pmi.org))
- **Congratulations** to the PMI Montgomery County, Maryland (USA) Chapter on recently receiving its charter! ([marykate.bushnell@pmi.org](mailto:marykate.bushnell@pmi.org))

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• **Ambassadors of project management**... At the request of the PMI Mile-High Chapter, PMI Chair Debbie O'Bray and PMI CEO Gregory Balestrero completed a whirlwind three-day visit to the Denver, Colorado, USA area to participate in an experimental outreach program designed to raise the visibility of project management and PMI in the local community. The program consisted of a series of executive-level briefings at the following institutions and offices: University College at The University of Denver; Office of Mayor, City of Denver; Graduate School at Colorado State University; College of Engineering; Leeds School of Business, University of Colorado; Lockheed Martin Engineering Management Program, University of Colorado; Colorado Department of Economic Development; and Executive Office First Data Corporation. Said Balestrero, "This experimental outreach program demonstrates the power of collaboration between the Institute and our components and is clearly a win-win situation for all concerned. I've learned a great deal about the relationship between our growing profession and its impact on various technical and business related disciplines."  
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• **PMI Standards Program launches new projects and invites participation.** PMI has started three new standards this year and selected project managers for each. The first project is an update to the Practice Standard for Work Breakdown Structures, which was first published in 2001; Eric Norman, PMP, of Atlanta, Georgia, USA, has been selected as the Project Manager. Secondly, a new project to develop a standard for Program/Portfolio Management was initiated under the direction of Dave Ross, PMP, of Dayton, Ohio, USA, as Project Manager. Most recently, Doug Clark of Washington, DC, USA, was selected as Project Manager to develop a Practice Standard for Scheduling. Individuals interested in participating on any of these projects may submit a volunteer application.  
([http://www.pmi.org/info/AP\\_VolunteerOverview.asp?nav=0209](http://www.pmi.org/info/AP_VolunteerOverview.asp?nav=0209) [steve.fahrenkrog@pmi.org](mailto:steve.fahrenkrog@pmi.org))

### NEXT CHAPTER MEETINGS

*MARK YOUR CALENDARS!*

September 18, 2003

Ron Parker, PMP

Alternative Approaches – Preparing for the CAPM & PMP Certification

5:00 – 7:15 p.m.

Columbia Country Club  
2210 Country Club Drive  
Columbia, MO 65201

## Globalization: PMI's Regional Service Center Model Moves Forward

*Stephen Townsend, Director, PMI Global Markets Integration*

Taking another major step in its evolution as a global organization, PMI officially opens its first branch office. The PMI Regional Service Center for Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA Regional Service Center) formally opened for business on **16 June 2003** in Brussels, Belgium. The EMEA Regional Service Center will position PMI to:

- enhance its member and customer support;
- develop stronger ties to PMI's Chapters in the region;
- help build collaboration between PMI Chapters, Specific Interest Groups and Colleges; and
- establish and maintain relationships with business, government, the academic community, other professional societies and media to help promote project management.

While establishing the EMEA Regional Service Center, the Institute is also planning for PMI's development in Latin America. In 2004, PMI will assume leadership for organizing and executing Global Congress – Latin America in partnership with the regional Chapters. As the Institute begins developing its program plan for the Congress, concurrent efforts are underway to explore how the regional service center model may apply there. Similarly in the Asia/Pacific Rim region, PMI plans to launch Global Congress – Asia in 2005. As in Latin America, PMI is exploring which elements of the regional service center model might apply. Also, given the size of and diversity within the region, another factor in the Asia/Pacific Rim region is whether and how a single regional service center may evolve into multiple centers over time.

### Implications for PMI's Components and Their Leaders

As PMI continues to grow and evolve, the Institute will continue to help its components and their leaders prepare for growth and for the next level of organizational maturity. Having two levels of staff support – one at the global level and one at the regional level – is a critical element in PMI's efforts to strengthen ties with its components through enhanced support and communication.

Another key implication is the continued evolution of the Leadership Meetings. Starting this year, PMI has taken a major step forward with the offering of a day-and-a-half long Leadership Meeting preceding PMI Global Congress 2003 – Europe. In 2004, a Latin American Leadership Meeting will join the rotation followed by a similar event in the Asia/Pacific Rim region in 2005. Thus, PMI's leadership development efforts are expanding to more fully embrace and engage PMI's global component leaders.

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Lastly, and most importantly, PMI and its components must continue to explore opportunities for collaboration and cooperation to advance project management globally. Doing this requires two areas of focus: relationships built on trust and shared goals. As noted above, shared goals are the cornerstone of this year's discussions with component leaders related to the PMI Strategic Plan. The critical element is engendering and nurturing trust and trustworthiness into the relationships between PMI and its components, collectively and individually; as well as the relationships between and among PMI Component Organizations. Much progress has been made in this area over the past several years, and further, steady progress will continue. PMI's envisioned future is that worldwide, organizations will embrace project management and attribute their success to it. Through the combined and aligned efforts of its evolving network of regional service centers and in partnership with its global community of project management practitioners and component organizations, PMI is positioned to ensure that a bright future for project management.

### **NEW PUBLICATIONS OFFERED**

The PMI Bookstore is offering two new publications to the project management community.

**Make Every Project Easier with *The PMI® Compendium of Project Management Practices*** including more than 80 forms, checklists, templates, charts and graphs on CD-ROM easy to customize and use. This handy resource helps you identify key practices that may be critical to the management of your projects, shown logically within the context of the Project Management Process Groups. *The Compendium* brings together all the tools you need to orchestrate an efficient, effective, successful project... from initiation to close. ISBN 1930699026, CD, Regular Price \$124.95(US), Member Price \$89.95(US)

***Q&As for the PMBOK® Guide 2000 Edition.*** Do you want to learn more about project management? This handy book will help you do just that. With 200 multiple choice questions (and answers) covering the key themes and concepts of the project management framework and the nine project management knowledge areas of *A Guide to the Project Management Body of Knowledge (PMBOK® Guide)-2000 Edition*, this book is a great way to learn more about a complex and fascinating profession that grows in popularity every day. ISBN 1930699107, paperback, Regular Price \$21.95(US), Member Price \$16.95(US)