

WHAT'S NEW ACROSS IPMA?
EVENTS, INSIGHTS, OPPORTUNITIES.

WELCOME TO IPMA 2026.



As we enter August, the project management community continues to demonstrate the power of collaboration, innovation, and continuous learning in an ever-changing world.

Throughout the month, IPMA will continue connecting professionals across the globe, fostering knowledge exchange, supporting professional development, and promoting excellence in project, program, and portfolio management.

Stay tuned for the latest updates and highlights from IPMA this August.

IPMA® Hiroshima 2026 35th World Congress

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION EXTENDED UNTIL AUGUST 21

Take advantage of the extended Early Bird deadline and secure your place at the IPMA World Congress by August 21.

35TH IPMA WORLD CONGRESS IN HIROSHIMA, JAPAN
SEPTEMBER 16-18 2026 | HIROSHIMA

Early Bird registration extended for the IPMA World Congress 2026

Good news! The Early Bird registration deadline for the IPMA World Congress 2026 has been extended until August 21, giving you even more time to secure your place at a reduced rate.

Join project professionals, researchers, academics, and industry leaders from around the world to exchange knowledge, build valuable connections, and explore this year's theme, "Delivering Peace: Project Management for a Sustainable World."

Hiroshima, Japan
September 16–18, 2026

Don't miss your chance to be part of one of the world's leading project management events and connect with the global IPMA community.

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SEE WHAT'S AHEAD IN HIROSHIMA

The preliminary program for the 35th IPMA World Congress is now available.

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Preliminary Program Now Available: 35th IPMA World Congress

The countdown to Hiroshima continues, and the preliminary program for the 35th IPMA World Congress is now available.

From 16–18 September 2026, project professionals, researchers, academics, and industry leaders from around the world will gather in Hiroshima for three days of learning, exchange, and global collaboration.

The preliminary program offers a first look at what participants can expect, including keynote speeches from international thought leaders, interactive breakout sessions, knowledge exchange, networking opportunities, and the prestigious IPMA Global Awards Gala.

Throughout the Congress, participants will explore this year's theme, "Delivering Peace: Project Management for a Sustainable World," and discuss the role of projects and project management in addressing global challenges and creating lasting positive impact.

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Planning to join us in Hiroshima? Take a look at the preliminary program and start planning your Congress experience.

» GLOBAL YOUNG CREW WORKSHOP «
» HIROSHIMA, JAPAN «
SEPTEMBER 16-18, 2026

IPMA® Young Crew Global YC® IPMA Young Crew

Meet the Speakers of GYCW 2026

An exciting lineup of international experts is set to take the stage at the Global Young Crew Workshop (GYCW) 2026, bringing together diverse perspectives on project management, leadership, digital transformation, diplomacy, communication, and innovation.

This year's speakers include Satoshi Takahashi (IBM Japan), Haris Syarwani Razali (IDFR Malaysia), Brian Cracknell (Language Works), Ken Kawashima (Kyndryl Japan), Silvia Drahošová (IPMA Slovakia & IPMA Vice President for Professional Development), and Professor Ryoji Fukaya (Shiga University).

Whether you're looking to gain practical insights, expand your global network, or connect with fellow young professionals, GYCW 2026 offers a unique opportunity to learn from experienced leaders and shape the future of project management together.

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MEET THE FINALISTS OF IPMA GLOBAL INDIVIDUAL AWARDS 2026.

The finalists of the IPMA Global Individual Awards 2026 have been announced, recognizing outstanding professionals whose leadership, innovation, and commitment continue to shape the future of project management.

Following a highly competitive selection process, the finalists are:

Project Manager of the Year

- **Adam Bandy** (Hungary) – QVIK
- **O'Ryan Africa** (South Africa) – Lourens River Flood Alleviation
- **Umar Sahli** (Saudi Arabia) – Delivering Saudi Arabia's National Technical Facilities Intelligence

Agile Leader of the Year

- **Ghadh Alotaibi** (Saudi Arabia) – Next-Generation AI Infrastructure
- **Xiaobo Sang** (China) – Tiangong Intelligent Brain Language Large Model
- **Yeganeh Akbarataj** (Iran) – Finance360: Agile Transformation of Financial Operations through CRM – Finance Integration

Young Project Manager of the Year

- **Joaquin Abadin** (Spain) – Electrolyzer Electrical Engineering Performance & Capability Program
- **Omar Muzhafar Bin Omar Zohrie** (Malaysia) – STELLAR 2.0: Implementation of Closed Loop Capabilities
- **Rola Samman** (Saudi Arabia) – National Picture Archiving and Communication System (PACS)

Sustainability Project Manager of the Year

- **Igor Tošić** (Croatia) – DRAVA LIFE – Integrated River Management
- **Suleman Al-Ayed** (Saudi Arabia) – AI-enabled Data Center & NOC Program

PMO Leader of the Year

- **Abdullah Alqarni** (Saudi Arabia) – Solutions by stc

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Award

- **Sara Perić** (Serbia) – 10th IPMA SENET Conference

Congratulations to all finalists on this outstanding achievement. Their dedication and accomplishments reflect the excellence and diversity of the global IPMA community.

The Gold, Silver, and Bronze winners will be announced during the IPMA Global Awards Gala Ceremony on 18 September 2026, held as part of the 35th IPMA World Congress.

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Vienna 2027 IPMA® 15th Research Conference IPMA®

SAVE THE DATE

IMPACT FROM RESEARCH TO PRACTICAL PROJECT MANAGEMENT AND VICE VERSA

MAY 19-21, 2027

Save the Date: IPMA Research Conference 2026

Mark your calendars for the 15th IPMA Research Conference, taking place from 19–21 May 2027 in the heart of Vienna, Austria.

Bringing together researchers, project professionals, academics, and innovators from around the world, the conference will explore how research and practice continuously shape one another to create lasting impact.

Hosted in the historic Hofburg Palace, the event offers a unique opportunity to exchange ideas, discover the latest research, and build meaningful international connections.

Vienna, Austria
19–21 May 2027

Save the date and stay tuned for more information!

Venice 2027 IPMA® 36th World Congress

SAVE THE DATE

POWERING REGENERATION through PROJECTS

A Global Project Management Perspective

36th WORLD CONGRESS | ITALY
OCT 13-15 2027 | VENICE

Save the Date: 36th IPMA World Congress

Mark your calendars for the 36th IPMA World Congress, taking place 13–15 October 2027 in the beautiful city of Venice, Italy.

Under the theme "Powering Regeneration through Projects: A Global Project Management Perspective," the Congress will bring together project professionals, researchers, industry leaders, and policymakers from around the world to explore how project management can create lasting social, environmental, and economic value.

Hosted by ANIMP, one of IPMA's longest-standing Member Associations, the event will provide a unique platform for knowledge sharing, innovation, international collaboration, and meaningful networking with the global project management community.

Venice, Italy
October 13–15, 2027

Save the date and stay tuned for more details. We look forward to welcoming you to Venice in 2027!