

Serving a Growing Membership Base

Ceremony Celebrates Opening of **NEW INDIA OFFICE**



Above: From left, PMI CEO Gregory Balestrero; PMI Chair Philip Diab, PMP; Dr. E. Sreedharan, the project manager behind the Delhi Metro project; and Raj Kalady, managing director of PMI's India office. Below left: Ceremonial "Lighting of the Lamp."

India has the third-largest PMI membership base of any country

PMI celebrated the opening of its India office at a reception in Delhi on 24 March 2008. The office, located in Mumbai, will focus on organizational development and serving PMI's growing membership in India. Today, there are about 11,000 members in India, which is now home to the third-largest national base of PMI members after the U.S. and Canada.

The brief program culminated in a ceremonial "Lighting of the Lamp" by PMI Chair Philip Diab, PMP; PMI CEO Gregory Balestrero; Raj Kalady, the managing director for PMI's India office; and Steve Fahrenkrog, PMP, PMI vice president, regional development group.

Joining them on stage was Dr. E. Sreedharan, one of the most recognized project managers in India. Dr. Sreedharan has been praised in

the media as a manager who was able to get Indian government agencies to work together to complete the Delhi Metro project on budget and ahead of schedule. PMI also recognized Dr. Sreedharan for his outstanding work in the country with a specially created sculpture that included a relief of the Delhi Metro.

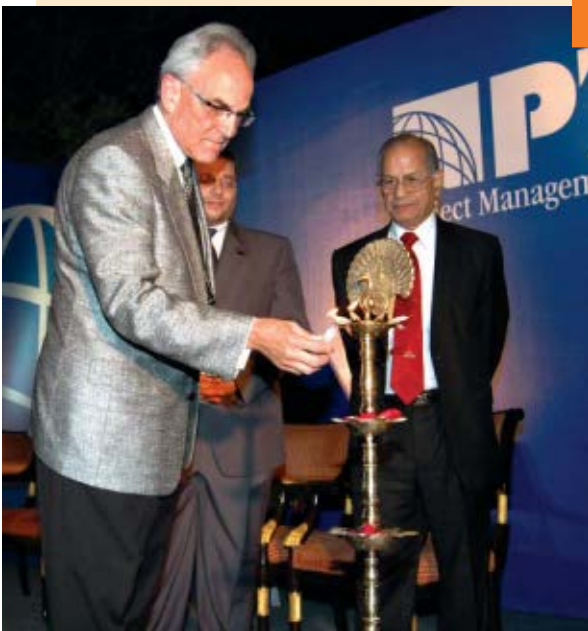
"We are delighted to honor and applaud Dr. Sreedharan, who we believe epitomizes the values of project management," said Mr. Balestrero. "Dr. Sreedharan has symbolized and demonstrated leadership and initiative while advancing project management concepts, techniques and practices effectively in the various projects

he has worked on in India. We believe Dr. Sreedharan is symbolic of the profession and the principles of project management that PMI hopes to promote in India."

Dr. Sreedharan thanked PMI for the recognition and the work it is doing in India. "I didn't realize the reach and range of PMI in India," he said.

"Spreading word about PMI is important to India and I wish all success to PMI and in particular, success to PMI's new managing director, Raj Kalady."

More than 65 senior-level executives from companies and government organizations attended the evening's events. ■



Schedulers: GET OUT YOUR CALENDARS!

PMI Seeks Candidates for New Scheduling Credential

Project management practitioners who perform project scheduling and time management tasks, take note: PMI is looking for at least 100 of you to sit for its new specialty credential in project scheduling.

The new PMI Scheduling Professional (PMI-SP)SM credential will be formally introduced at the PMI College of Scheduling's Fifth

Annual Conference, which will be held in Chicago, Illinois, USA, 5-7 May. Announcements about the new credential will also take place during PMI Global Congress 2008—EMEA, set for 19-21 May in St. Julians, Malta. Online applications for the credential are already being received on

PMI.org/Scheduling.

The Institute's near-term objective is to secure at least 100 approved project

scheduling credential candidates to take the examination during the period from 30 May to 31 July 2008. This will enable PMI to establish a standardization for scoring in a timely manner. There is an incentive for the first 100 qualified candidates—see PMI.org/Scheduling for details.

The typical applicant being sought by PMI is someone who performs the role of a project scheduling professional, creating and maintaining the project schedule. Candidates will need to

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"Worldwide, organizations will embrace, value and utilize project management and attribute their success to it." — *Envisioned Goal*

SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES — LEARN FROM A PRO PMI IT & TELECOM SIG MENTORING PROGRAM PROMOTES PROFESSIONAL SUCCESS



Many mentoring programs fail to reach their intended goals by being too dictatorial on how relationships are set up. This can result in relationships that lack trust, or that do not complement other forms of learning.

On the other hand, the one-on-one mentoring program recently launched by the PMI IT & Telecom Specific Interest Group (SIG) sets up relationships that are structured to succeed—between people who will mutually benefit from the relationship. Due to overwhelming response, the SIG is looking to expand this program and invites all project managers to participate in this closely managed professional development program.

You can serve as mentor or mentee (protégé), depending on your project management experience. The SIG's unique program management process will ensure that you are productively paired with the correct learning partner. You can also earn professional

development units (PDUs) toward maintaining your credential.

The PMI IT & Telecom Mentoring Program is designed as a one-on-one coaching experience, pairing mentors and protégés, or coaches and protégés, based on their areas of interest and other information provided to the mentoring program manager.

The management team includes the owner of the program, Josh Lerner, based in New York, as well as the global steering committee composed of members from Greece and the United Kingdom. This team was assembled based on their collective experience with mentoring programs and relationship building.

Participants need to be members of the IT & Telecom SIG. Mentors must have the Project Management Professional (PMP®) credential unless otherwise approved by the mentoring program manager. Protégés may or may not be PMP-certified. Participants will earn PDUs for each hour they are engaged in the mentoring process, with a maximum of 10 PDUs per year.

Josh Lerner, PMP

MEET THE VOLUNTEER WHO MANAGES THE MENTORING PROGRAM

The PMI IT & Telecom SIG recently named Josh Lerner, PMP, as the manager of mentoring program under the functional leadership of Vasilj Petrovic, vice president, professional development.

Mr. Lerner has more than 15 years of experience in international technology projects. He lives and works in New York City, serving as an information technology project manager with New York City Transit, the largest transportation system in North America. He also served as the chairman of the agency's technology division to implement a new methodology and



PMO to be used for all major technology projects.

Formerly, Mr. Lerner was an assistant vice president for Merrill Lynch, with responsibility for managing global operational reporting for stakeholders in Asia, Europe, Japan, North America and Canada. Prior to Merrill Lynch, he was an IT project manager for American Express focused on system integration projects. Mr. Lerner is a graduate of the George Washington University School of Business and Public Management, earning his master's degree in information technology and project management.

Do you face complex problems within your work environment?

Do you need help advancing your career, building your business, or identifying new prospects?

Or would you appreciate the opportunity to establish a long-term coaching relationship with someone?

If any of these situations apply to you, or if you would simply like more details about this program, please contact Josh Lerner, PMP, at mgr-mentoring@pmi-ittelecom.org.



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Statistics through 31 March 2008

Total Members	264,496
% increase March 2008/2007	10.0%
New Members March 2008	8,658
Component Memberships	
Chapters	181,179
SIGs	60,853
Colleges	4,038
CAPM Candidates Approved for Exam	6,017
Total Active CAPMs	4,410
New PMPs (March 2008)	3,797
New PMPs (YTD)	11,541
Total Active PMPs	266,146

PMI.org	
March 2008 Visitors	1,006,170
YTD Total	2,935,180

Publishing	
<i>PMBOK® Guide</i> —Third Edition copies placed in circulation* March 2008	25,462
Total copies in circulation*	1,029,156
Total copies of 1996, 2000* and Third* Editions of <i>PMBOK® Guide</i> in circulation	2,464,808

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