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## Agenda: Navigating the Next Wave

# Navigating the Next Wave 2025 PMI National Conference Schedule



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Time	Session	Speaker
08:30	Registration, coffee & networking	
09:30	Welcome	Taragh Loughrey-Grant, MC
09:45	Opening Address	Peter Glynne, President Ireland Chapter of PMI
10:00	State of the Profession 2025	Tom Bloemers, PMI Global Board Member
10:30	U35 Changemakers Panel Discussion	Laura McDermott, Sinead Gallagher, James Doggart, Pat Lucey
11:00	Tea/Coffee & Networking	
, 11:30	Force Multiplier: AI Agents the Ultimate Sidekick to Project Leaders	Aarthi Kumar, CK Delta Head of Pre-Sales Engineering
11:55	Lessons from the past for today's and tomorrow's Leadership Challenge	Eduardo Espinheira, PMI Portugal Chapter
12:20	Sustainability at the Core	David Smyth, Executive VP, Green Project Management
12:50	Lunch & Networking	
13:50	Project Leadership - Impostor Syndrome	Kim Essendrup and Kate Anderson (Co-Hosts of the Project Management Happy Hour Podcast)
14:55	Transformation Office of the Future	Andrew Cochrane, EY Director
15:20	Keynote Speaker	Dr Lollie Mancey, Anthropologist, Futurist, and Innovation Advocate
16:05	Closing Speech, Quiz and Prizes	Peter Glynne, President Ireland Chapter of PMI

Not long to go now! Here's what you need to know on the day!

### Getting to the Aviva

The main entrance for the Aviva Stadium is on Lansdowne Road and the conference will be held in the President's Suite.

Parking is available on Lansdowne Road, in the underground car park beneath Lansdowne Rugby Club. This is a public car park, operating on a first-come, first-served basis. The charge is €2.00 per hour, with a daily maximum of €10.00. After parking, use the pedestrian exit next to Lansdowne Rugby Club and head toward your event entrance. Directional signage will be placed throughout the building along with two large television screens visible from the 3rd floor as you walk in from the entrance.

Please refer to the link on Aviva's webpage regarding public transport and more detailed directions <u>here</u>. The venue can be accessed by bus, train, or the tram.

### Registration, admin and sustainability

Registration kicks off at **08:30**! Swing by the meet and greet area to grab your badges, and don't forget to mingle over some delicious coffee and pastries. It's the perfect time to make new friends and catch up with old ones!

A cloak room will be available to store your personal belongings for the duration of the conference.

In addition, to support the event's sustainability initiative, we are requesting everyone to bring their own reusable water bottles. There will be refillable water stations at the venue.

Segregated recycle bins will also be provided to dispose of personal waste. Delegates are also encouraged to participate in our Green Pledge with Reforest Nation, which includes donating to plant a tree in your name (you will receive an electronic certificate).

### Lunch and Student Lean Coffee

Lunch will be provided in the Atrium at **12h50** and a selection of delicious options will be available to suit most dietary requirements.

A Student Lean Coffee event will be held during the lunchbreak at **13h15** and we invite all students to attend once they have eaten.

### Network and win!

In other exciting news, we will be holding a networking game during the day – with excellent prizes!!

All you have to do is:

- Interview & Connect Find someone new, ask them the questions, and fill in their answers.
- Submit & Repeat You can submit the form as many times as you want! Connect with a new person each time!
- Win a Prize! At the end, we'll randomly select names from the submissions. If your name is picked, and you are present you win!

And finally, near the end of the conference there will be a quiz – you must be there to WIN! Lots of exciting prizes!

### Conference Close

Conference 2025 ends @ **16h30** with a closing speech from our Chapter President, Peter Glynne.

Our nominated Charity for the conference is the Irish Emergency Alliance and a donation will be presented to the CEO, Brian Casey on the day.

Please note the social media handle for posting is - **#PMIE2025**If you have any questions, just look for our cheerful volunteers in navy blue t-shirts or our directors

rocking rugby jerseys. They're always ready to help with a smile!

### Background to sustainability for the conference and initiatives taken

The PMI Ireland Chapter recognises the urgent need to address climate change and its impact on our planet. In response, the chapter has developed a comprehensive sustainability approach that outlines key measures and actions to be implemented for the 2025 PMI Conference. This initiative is not just a one-time effort; it aims to establish a baseline against which progress can be tracked over the coming years, ultimately supporting the medium-term goal of carbon neutrality.

The stated objective for the 2025 conference is to significantly reduce emissions wherever possible. This includes minimising waste generation, maximising recycling efforts, and reducing the overall impact of emissions that cannot be eliminated. To achieve this, the PMI Ireland Chapter plans to embark on a tree planting initiative that align with the conference budget, ensuring that the impact of any unavoidable emissions are reduced.

#### Initiatives for a Sustainable Conference

To turn this vision into reality, several key initiatives will be implemented:

**Establishing an Emissions Baseline:** One of the first steps in this sustainability journey is to establish an emissions baseline for future years. By measuring the environmental impact of the conference, the PMI can create a foundation for a multi-year roadmap. This approach is rooted in the principle that "what is not measured can't be reduced." By understanding the current emissions, the chapter can set realistic targets for reduction.

**Reducing Waste:** The PMI Ireland Chapter is committed to minimising waste generated during the conference. This will involve working with the Aviva Stadium and other providers in careful planning of materials, reducing single-use items, and encouraging vendors to adopt sustainable practices. By focusing on waste reduction, the conference aims to lessen its environmental footprint significantly.

**Increasing Recycling and Composting Efforts:** To further enhance sustainability, the conference has been working with the Aviva Stadium to prioritise recycling and composting initiatives. Clear signage and accessible recycling stations will be provided throughout the venue, making it easier for attendees to dispose of waste responsibly. The goal is to divert as much waste as possible from landfills and promote a circular economy.

**Engaging Attendees and Stakeholders**: A key component of the sustainability strategy is engaging attendees and stakeholders to promote sustainable practices. This includes

encouraging the use of public transport, carpooling, and providing locally sourced and plant-based food options.

**Planting Trees to Offset Carbon Emissions**: Recognising the importance of offsetting carbon emissions, the PMI Ireland Chapter has partnered with Reforest Nation to incorporate tree planting into its sustainability initiatives. Each survey response completed by attendees will see a tree planted. Additionally, we encourage attendees to reduce the impact of their emissions by purchasing a tree which will be planted in Ireland. By bringing a focus on reforestation, the conference will contribute to the planting of trees that absorb carbon dioxide and enhance biodiversity. This initiative not only helps mitigate the impact of emissions but also leaves a positive legacy for future generations.

**Plant-Based Meals:** To further reduce our footprint, we are promoting sustainable, locally sourced plant-based alternatives. <u>Meat-free Mondays</u> can help lower household carbon emissions.

**Responsible Consumption:** It is encouraged to research and purchase from responsible companies such as <u>B-Certified</u> entities and those that ethically source their inputs and are certified as such.

**Tech:** As AI use increases so does energy consumption. Consider using providers that run on 100% renewable energy. There are innovative sustainable browsers like <u>Ecosia</u> that direct profits from advertising revenue into tree planting initiatives.

The PMI Ireland Chapter National Conference is taking significant strides towards sustainability, with a clear vision for reducing its environmental impact. By establishing a baseline for emissions, reducing waste, increasing recycling efforts, engaging attendees, and planting trees, the chapter is setting a standard for responsible event management in the project management community.

As we move towards the 2025 conference, the PMI Ireland Chapter invites all participants to join in this commitment to sustainability. Together, we can create a more environmentally responsible future and inspire others to follow suit. The journey towards carbon neutrality begins now, and every action counts.

**Background to Reforest Nation** - why we are partnering with them and QR code to purchase an additional tree

The PMI Ireland Chapter National Conference is excited to announce its partnership with Reforest Nation, an initiative dedicated to combating climate change through reforestation. This collaboration not only aligns with our commitment to sustainability but also empowers our conference attendees to make a tangible impact on the environment.

#### Background on Reforest Nation

Reforest Nation is an Irish-based organisation focused on restoring ecosystems and enhancing biodiversity through tree planting. Founded on the belief that every individual can contribute to a healthier planet, Reforest Nation engages communities, businesses, and organisations in reforestation efforts. Their mission is to plant trees that absorb carbon dioxide, improve air quality, and provide habitats for wildlife, ultimately fostering a more sustainable future.

With a proven track record of successful tree-planting initiatives, Reforest Nation has become a leader in the movement towards environmental restoration. They work with local communities to ensure that each tree planted is nurtured and maintained, creating lasting benefits for both the environment and the people involved.

#### Why Partner with Reforest Nation?

The partnership between the PMI Ireland Chapter National Conference and Reforest Nation reflects our shared values of leadership, responsibility, and sustainability. As project management professionals, we understand the importance of planning for the future, and this collaboration allows us to take actionable steps towards a greener planet.

By aligning with Reforest Nation, we are not only promoting awareness about the importance of reforestation but also encouraging our attendees to participate in this vital cause but in a local manner with the trees being planted in Ireland. The conference serves as a platform to inspire project managers to integrate sustainability into their projects and initiatives, fostering a culture of environmental stewardship within the industry.

#### QR Code for Tree Purchase

To further engage our attendees in this initiative, we will be including a Reforest Nation QR code at the conference. This QR code will provide a seamless way for participants to purchase an additional tree to be planted through Reforest Nation. By simply scanning the code, attendees can contribute to reforestation efforts and leave a lasting legacy.

#### The inclusion of the QR code serves several purposes:

Convenience: Attendees can easily make a contribution without the need for cash or physical donations. The QR code provides a quick and efficient way to support reforestation efforts.

Awareness: By promoting the QR code during the conference, we raise awareness about the importance of reforestation and the role individuals can play in combating climate change.

Collective Impact: Each tree purchased represents a collective effort towards a healthier planet. By encouraging attendees to contribute, we amplify our impact and demonstrate the power of community action.

The partnership between the PMI Ireland Chapter National Conference and Reforest Nation is a significant step towards promoting sustainability within the project management community. By supporting reforestation efforts, we are not only addressing the urgent issue of climate change but also inspiring our attendees to act in their personal and professional lives.

We invite all conference attendees to join us in this important initiative by purchasing an additional tree through the QR code provided. Together, we can make a difference and contribute to a greener, more sustainable future for generations to come.

### **QR** Codes

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### Metimeter QR code



### Networking QR code



Plant a tree – Reforest Nation

