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Monthly 2026 Newsletter

President's Message April 2026

This month, our attention is firmly on the upcoming PMI National Conference 2026, which is shaping up to be one of the key events in our Chapter calendar. With a strong programme covering leadership, AI, sustainability, capital projects, and the future of project management, the conference offers an excellent opportunity for learning, reflection, and connection. It is also a great chance to hear from experienced speakers, exchange ideas with peers, and gain practical insights that members can bring back into their own organizations. I would strongly encourage everyone who can to attend.

I also want to congratulate **Tsakane Ndzimandze**, our Director of Academic Outreach, on the outstanding work being done through the Student Hub. This is an important initiative that strengthens our engagement with students and helps build a stronger pipeline of future project professionals. In the same vein, congratulations to **Carlos Mandolesi**, Director of Sustainability and Social Impact, on the new partnership with **Techies Go Green**. This is a timely and meaningful collaboration that reflects the positive role our Chapter can play in supporting practical climate action and wider social impact.

Both of these initiatives speak to the broader direction of the Chapter: building capability, creating partnerships, and ensuring that project management continues to deliver real value across sectors in Ireland.

I welcome your ideas and thoughts on how we can continue to improve the chapter. Get in touch via email.

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Regards,
Daniel Eagling

President, Ireland Chapter of PMI



PMI National Conference 2026

Elevating Excellence: PM Fundamentals Matter More not Less

The PMI National Conference 2026 is fast approaching, and you don't want to miss out.

This year's theme: **"Elevating Excellence: PM Fundamentals Matter More not Less"** promises to deliver excellent sessions from experienced professionals making a real impact across the profession.

Buy your ticket today to participate in our amazing line up of sessions:

- **Navigating the storms; Leadership Insights from the High Seas**
Marie Gleeson, Irish Navy & NavMar Leadership
- **Fall in Love with the Problem (the Solution Will Always Change)**
Navjot Sawhney, The Washing Machine Project
- **Own Project Success Like a Boss: Entrepreneurial Skills That Keep You Relevant** Pat Lucey, PMI Global
- **Leading Unapologetically: The Power Skills Behind Project Success**
Tammy Snook, Rising Tide Consulting
- **Panel discussion: Capital Projects & Sustainability**
Laura Mc Dermot, Colectivo - Stephen Dunne, EirGrid - John Kelly, ESB - Jay Sattin, Mason Haynes & Curran LLP
- **Enterprise Reimagined**
Katie Flood. EY
- **Three's Evolution – Accelerating through Enterprise Agile**
Justin Conry, Three Ireland
- **Evolving Skills needed for PMs in an AI-Driven World**
Kathleen Walch, PMI Global

Places are going fast so don't wait to register!

PMI Members

Price €245

PMI Non-Members

Price €295

Students

See the booking page for pricing.

Valuable group discounts are available for six or more tickets. Valuable student discounts are also available. Details are on the booking page.

[For more information on the event and to register, click here.](#)



Earth Day Announcement: Partnership with Techies Go Green.

To mark Earth Day (22 April), we are announcing a new partnership between the Ireland Chapter of PMI and **Techies Go Green** — a non-profit community driving practical climate action across Ireland’s technology ecosystem.

This exciting new partnership addresses a clear gap. Sustainability communities in Ireland are scaling rapidly, but delivery capability within those communities remains limited. This partnership connects ambition with structured execution.

Techies Go Green brings strong engagement across the tech and SME sectors. The Ireland Chapter of PMI brings project, programme, and portfolio delivery capability. Together, the focus is simple: turn sustainability intent into measurable outcomes.

Why Earth Day Matters for Project Professionals

Earth Day is not just a symbolic day, it serves as an operational opportunity for organisations to execute on sustainability projects.

Sustainability is being delivered — or not — through projects. Infrastructure, digital transformation, and organisational change are all shaped by the decisions project professionals make every day.

The issue is not awareness on the importance of sustainability. It is execution.

Sustainability must be embedded across the full project lifecycle, with governance, metrics, and disciplined delivery.

PMI research reinforces this gap. Sustainability-aligned projects are 55% more likely to exceed expectations, yet only 23% of projects are currently aligned.

From Earth Day to Action

As part of this initiative, we participated in the Urban Sustainability Forum on 22 April, delivered in collaboration with Techies Go Green, where the partnership was formally announced.

The forum brought together project professionals, industry experts, and sustainability leaders to focus on one question:

How do we deliver sustainability in practice — not just strategy?

This partnership is designed to answer that question through:

- Joint events and knowledge sharing
- Capability building in sustainable project delivery
- Cross-sector collaboration to scale real impact

What This Means for You

If you are operating in projects, transformation, or delivery — this is where the direction of travel is clear.

Early engagement in communities like this is not optional if you want to stay relevant. These ecosystems shape opportunities before they become mainstream.

Learn more about the Urban Sustainability Forum:

<https://pmi-ireland.org/calendar?eventId=46310>

PMI Student Club Launch

We were delighted to deliver our first presentation at Independent College Dublin recently, as part of the roadshow initiative to roll out the PMI Student Club.

This session marked an exciting milestone in our efforts to engage students as we work towards launching our club.

This event saw an outstanding participation of over 200 students in person and online. The energy in the room and across the virtual audience created a collaborative environment and made it rewarding to everyone involved.

We were delighted to be featured in Independent College's newsletter which further extended its reach and impact within the academic community. This successful event opened a door to future collaboration and growth with IC Dublin.

We look forward to continue this partnership and building a momentum as we develop valuable skills to students for their future careers!

Keep an eye out for more information on this exciting initiative. More information of the Student Club coming soon.



Building Sustainable Delivery Capability

As sustainability expectations continue to grow, project success can no longer be measured solely by time, cost, and scope. Frameworks like the **P5 Standard** are helping expand that definition by encouraging project professionals to consider wider impact across People, Planet, Prosperity, Process, and Product.

For PMI Ireland members, this shift presents both a delivery challenge and a career opportunity.

Professionals who can combine sustainability knowledge with practical project execution remain in relatively short supply, which is why certifications such as **GPM-b (Green Project Manager – Basic)** are becoming increasingly relevant.

Developing capability in sustainable project delivery can help professionals:

- Strengthen future career positioning
- Demonstrate practical sustainability competence
- Apply sustainability principles within existing projects today

As organisations place greater emphasis on measurable sustainability outcomes, those who build these skills early are likely to be better positioned for future leadership opportunities.

Learn more about the P5 Standard here:

<https://www.pmi.org/standards/the-gpm-sustainability-competence-standard>

Explore GPM-b certification here:

<https://www.pmi.org/certifications/green-project-manager-basic-gpm-b>

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