

**Dear Fellow Professionals, Speakers, Sponsors, Chapter Members, Past and Present Awardees, and our passionate Volunteers and dedicated Board of Directors –**

*A very warm welcome to our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary PMI Southwest Ohio Chapter Mega Event 2017!*

It is our utmost honor to host each and every one of you in this 2-day special event! We are thrilled to offer this in-person experience with keynotes, exciting seminars, multiple knowledge tracks, jobs and networking opportunities, product explorations and more! This is one of the biggest event for our Chapter, and very unique to this Tri-State area. We take enormous pride, ownership, and joy in delivering this event to you every year!

If you are a PMI credential holder, you belong to a very special group of about 800,000 professionals and practitioners worldwide. More than 5 million copies of PMBOK® (all editions combined) have been in distribution. PMI spans its core knowledge and best practice repository across traditional and agile methodologies by combining worldwide experience and research. Quite aptly, PMI has introduced the **Talent Triangle** by recognizing that “*while technical skills are core to project and program management, PMI research tells us they’re not enough in today’s increasingly complex and competitive global marketplace. Companies are seeking added skills in **leadership and business intelligence** — competencies that can support longer-range strategic objectives that contribute to the bottom line*”. A response to that, we have developed our tracks and workshops to match the same vision!

I strongly believe in the value and excellence of the Project Management discipline, whether traditional, agile and/or hybrid, and the highly critical contribution of our professionals delivers every day as business change leaders. However, each one of us do also need to engage at the higher level of the organization leadership as well. As a true ambassador of this profession, each one of you can encourage respective business leaders to leverage local PM talents for change initiatives and strategic execution needs.

I do hope that you will avail all of its benefits and opportunities to the fullest extent. Take this opportunity to also meet with our sponsors to learn more about opportunities and networks. Please do take a moment to meet with me or any one of the PMI Southwest Ohio Chapter Board members, or any one of our volunteers. We would love to hear from you about what you liked, what could improve upon, and how can we provide more value to you in the next year.

Let us celebrate our profession, our pride, and our power to do countless goods that we deliver to our companies and communities.

To your continuing success and prospects.

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