

## International Conference on Professional Project Management 2026 cum 2nd ASMS ESG Award Presentation Ceremony

### “Navigating the Next Era of Project Management for Professional Growth”

#### The Best Professional Project Manager Awards Guidance Notes

#### Paper Submission Structure (1,000 words $\pm 10\%$ )

Applicants should structure their paper as follows:

- 1. Executive Summary** (50 words)
- 2. Project Overview & Context** (100 words)
- 3. Leadership & Team Empowerment** – Evidence against criterion (150 words)
- 4. Benefits Realisation & Case Alignment** – Evidence against criterion (150 words)
- 5. Stakeholder Engagement & Communication** – Evidence against criterion (150 words)
- 6. Integrated Planning, Financial Control, & Execution/ Deployment process,** – Evidence against criterion (150 words)
- 7. Risk Resilience & Change Control** – Evidence against criterion (150 words)
- 8. Conclusion & Key Learnings** (100 words)

#### About the Award

This award recognizes managers, project leaders, and professionals who demonstrate outstanding expertise in:

- Maximizing project value
- Effectively managing risks across both ESG and non-ESG domains

#### Three Distinctions

| Rank          | Title                       |
|---------------|-----------------------------|
| Winner        | Exceptional Project Manager |
| 1st Runner-up | Outstanding Project Manager |
| 2nd Runner-up | Excellent Project Manager   |

## **Judging Process**

### **1. Paper Submission**

| <b>Award</b>                                       | <b>Paper Requirement</b>                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>The Best Professional Project Manager Award</b> | Formal project evaluation paper: 1,000 words ( $\pm 10\%$ ) following the evaluation criteria below |

### **2. Initial Review**

A panel of doctoral experts will select cases for the second round based on:

- Technical merit
- ESG impact (where applicable)

### **3. Interview / Presentation**

Shortlisted project teams may be required to present their cases to the adjudicators, demonstrating: - Governance, -Strategy, and - Metrics utilized.

## **Submission Requirements**

Each applicant must submit one project:

1. Demonstrates their capability in delivering successful projects
2. Provides clear evidence of their own leadership, competence, and contribution
3. May involve a wider team, but only one project manager may be nominated as the official applicant

The Best Professional Project Manager is evaluated based on the competencies listed below.

### Award Criteria (100% Total)

| Criterion                                                                          | Core Focus                                                                                                                       | Evidence of Success                                                                                                                                               | Weight |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| <b>Leadership &amp; Team Empowerment</b>                                           | Fostering inclusive, high-performing teams through conflict resolution and talent development                                    | High team morale and motivated delivery of project objectives                                                                                                     | 20%    |
| <b>Benefits Realisation &amp; Case Alignment</b>                                   | Ensuring projects deliver organisational value by maintaining strict alignment with the business case                            | Tangible benefit realisation and measurable contributions to strategic goals                                                                                      | 20%    |
| <b>Stakeholder Engagement &amp; Communication</b>                                  | Building trust through transparent communication and managing competing interests across complex landscapes                      | High stakeholder satisfaction ratings and sustained organisational support                                                                                        | 20%    |
| <b>Integrated Planning, Financial Control, &amp; Execution/ Deployment process</b> | Balancing schedule, budget, and resources through rigorous financial management and optimisation for project delivery execution. | Ensuring integrated planning and financial control directly support project execution and deployment through coordinated schedule, cost, and resource management. | 20%    |
| <b>Risk Resilience &amp; Change Control</b>                                        | Proactively identifying risks and managing scope changes to maintain project integrity and stability                             | Minimal project disruptions and prevention of scope creep or delays                                                                                               | 20%    |

### Key Dates

| Activity                                   | Date              |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Deadline for Submitting Entry Form</b>  | 31 July 2026      |
| <b>Deadline for Submitting Award Paper</b> | 28 August 2026    |
| <b>Date of Review by Judging Panel</b>     | 18 September 2026 |
| <b>Date of Interviewing Contestants</b>    | 9 October 2026    |
| <b>Announcement of Awards</b>              | 25 November 2026  |

## Programme Enquiries

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