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**Sent:** October 31, 2007 1:40 PM  
**Subject:** November 21, 2007 PD Seminar - Register Now

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 Email Registration Manager Gregg Turner, PMP at  
[ProjectDirector@GTMgmt.com](mailto:ProjectDirector@GTMgmt.com)  
 to Register  
 Please indicate "November 21, 2007 Seminar"  
 in your subject line  
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 IN THIS MESSAGE:

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 Prepare Your Best Practices  
 November 21, 2007 PD Seminar "Large Scale Projects and AGM"  
 Program for the day, Volunteers  
 Program Planning for 2008 - Opportunities for  
 Presenters and Workshop Leaders  
 Successful Seminar- October 24, 2007  
 About the Society - Website [www.vcn.bc.ca/pmprof](http://www.vcn.bc.ca/pmprof)  
 Contact the Officers of the Society

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**PREPARE YOUR BEST PRACTICES**

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 During the November 21 Seminar, a workshop will be held to facilitate the  
 Sharing of Best Practices. Attendees are asked to share effective  
 "real-world" project management best practices, making use of the gathered  
 wisdom at the seminar. Please come prepared to share two best practices  
 from your work experience.

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**NOVEMBER 21, 2007 PD SEMINAR & AGM OF THE SOCIETY  
 LARGE SCALE PROJECTS  
 38th PM PROFESSIONAL DAY  
 REGISTER NOW!**

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 The 38th PM Professional Day will be held on Wednesday, November 21, 2007  
 at the Holiday Inn, Metrotown. Register now with Seminar Registration  
 Manager Gregg Turner, PMP at [ProjectDirector@GTMgmt.com](mailto:ProjectDirector@GTMgmt.com) .  
 Do not reply to this email; instead, send a new message to Gregg Turner,  
 PMP.

Our agenda for the day will include these presentations and workshop  
 sessions:

PROJECT INITIATION, Lily Sisson, PMP

GOING DEEPER INTO THE CHINESE MINDSET, Julie Yang, PMP.  
 Tips on project management in a multi-cultural context.

Julie Yang's first-hand insights into Chinese behaviour, attitudes, and underlying cultural philosophy. based on international project work and volunteer work helping immigrants adjust to Canadian culture.

**PLANNING A PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM - Walter Wawruck, PMP.** A participatory workshop in which the seminar participants will plan and organize a specific program of professional development activities aimed at the educational needs of Vancouver area PMPs. Break-out groups will recommend topics, knowledgeable presenters, and workshop facilitators, with a focus on the needs of practitioners in the various fields of practice within our community, such as engineering-construction, information systems and technology, new-product development, and business process change.

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS - Chaired by Robert Schulz, PMP.**The AGM is open to any Society members who wish to attend, not just the seminar registrants who are there. See more details in the separate announcement.

**SHARING BEST PRACTICES - Gregg Turner, PMP.** A participatory workshop in which the seminar participants will come prepared to share two, effective, "real-world" project management best practices with in break-out groups. The groups will share "best five of the group" practices with all attendees, with further opportunity for discussion,

**PROJECT UNCERTAINTY - A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITIES - Delene Bosch, PMP**  
This workshop aims to take you to the next level of application of uncertainty and opportunity management on your complex projects. Risk and uncertainty management and its range of supporting tools and processes, not only are about effectively protecting the value of the project, but also are about exploiting opportunities and helping to turn uncertain events and efforts into certain outcomes and benefits.

**PROJECT COMPLEXITY DRIVERS IN SOFTWARE DELIVERY Ewa Gwiazda, PMP, CMC**  
In June 2005 SITA and British Airways signed a contract for delivery of a new pricing system. The project involved a significant customization of a package application as well as a custom development. The complexity of the delivered application, distributed development, and implementation environment, organization growth stages incompatibility, and business value justification were the key complexity drivers for the project.

~~~~~ Location ~~~~~

Holiday Inn Metrotown  
4405 Central Boulevard  
Salon's A & B  
Wednesday, November 21, 2007  
8:30 AM to 4:30 PM  
7:45 AM Registration - Coffee, Juice, Continental Breakfast  
Buffet Lunch  
Inclusive fee: \$60  
Free underground parking at the hotel  
**REGISTRATION WILL BE LIMITED TO FIFTY (50) ATTENDEES**  
Registration Deadline: Midnight Thursday November 15, 2007.

Seminar participants can claim seven PDUs for the day. We now have confirmation from PMI that, in addition to the time they spend as participants, Presenters can claim ten PDUs and Workshop Leaders can claim

five PDUs for serving in those roles.

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Registration Policy - Fine Print  
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Registration for a seminar does not open until a registration notice, such as this one, is broadcast. There is no provision for advance registration. Only those applications received after the time of broadcast will be considered.

Every application to register received will be considered a firm offer to register and to pay the full fee. Applications will be accepted strictly in the order in which they are received by the seminar Registration Manager, Gregg Turner, PMP. Every application will be acknowledged by email. Once the registration limit is reached, a waiting list will be started.

Cancellations will be accepted up to midnight, Thursday November 15, 2007. Those on the waitlist will be accepted in priority order if spaces become available, and the waitlist candidate will be notified of acceptance by email. A waitlist candidate must cancel to be removed from the waitlist.

The Society is not responsible for ensuring that any registrant has received notification of acceptance. Any registrant who does not show is expected to pay the full seminar fee. Accepted registrants who fail to pay the full seminar fee will be prohibited from registering at future events until the payment is received.

Payment by cheque is preferred. Cash is accepted; please try to bring exact change. No credit cards or Interac (debit cards) are accepted.

The Registration Manager for the November Seminar is Gregg Turner, PMP [ProjectDirector@GTMgmt.com](mailto:ProjectDirector@GTMgmt.com)

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Management Team Volunteers

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The Seminar Project Manager, Jacques Marut, PMP is not seeking additional volunteers, presenters, or workshop leaders to address the topic at the November 21 Seminar.

The following volunteers are assisting Jacques with the seminar:

- Registration: Gregg Turner, PMP  
Bill Hall, PMP  
Gord Marwick, PMP
- Binders: Gary Chan, PMP  
Paul Brady, PMP
- Evaluation Report: David Nickel, PMP
- Facilities: Jacques Marut, PMP
- Workshop Help: Heidi Gable, PMP  
Lily Sisson, PMP
- Completion Report: Jacques Marut, PMP

Contact the November 21 Seminar Project Manager Jacques Marut, PMP at [jmarut@bestbuycanada.ca](mailto:jmarut@bestbuycanada.ca), if you have additional questions.

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CALL FOR VOLUNTEER PRESENTERS AND

## MANAGEMENT TEAMS - 2008 PROGRAM

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At the November 21 Seminar, a workshop session will be devoted to planning a program of professional development events for 2008. As input to the workshop, we would like to identify in advance a slate of potential presenters, workshop leaders, and management team volunteers. Please advise us of your availability and willingness to serve. Contact the workshop leader Walter Wawruck, PMP

[wawruck@intouch.bc.ca](mailto:wawruck@intouch.bc.ca).

or Society President Robert Schulz, PMP

[robert@ajae.ca](mailto:robert@ajae.ca)

The Society is based on the principle that we learn from each other, and each of us has valuable experience to share, or facilitation and management skills to contribute.

Each PMP is a candidate for any of the roles on a seminar.

Unless a volunteer Project Manager steps forward from the ranks of the local PMPs, a seminar does not proceed.

In addition to technical presenters, workshop leaders, and the Project Manager, these are the roles on the management team for each seminar. Additional volunteers are invited for all. One person may be asked to do two or more jobs:

- Technical Program
- Binder Co-ordination
- Facilities and Food
- Registration and Collection
- Evaluation Report

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#### SUCCESSFUL PD SEMINAR - OCTOBER 24, 2007 RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT ON PROJECTS

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The seminar was a lively day of workshops and presentations geared to providing the Project Manager with helpful tools and techniques for establishing, growing, and maintaining relationships before, during, and after your project. Because relationship management is often more about the "art" than the "science" of project management, this seminar made significant use of the workshop approach to encourage engagement.

This was a repeat presentation of the very popular seminar previously held on April 24, 2007. The agenda for the day included these presentations and workshop sessions:

Carol Brien, PMP facilitated a workshop on APPRECIATIVE INQUIRY - A FRAMEWORK FOR PROJECT DEFINITION. Carol demonstrated how best to establish your project structure, goals, and outcomes.

Doug Gregg, PMP lead us through his presentation on PROJECT GOVERNANCE - curse or cure providing guidance on the proper infrastructure needed to sustain your project.

Jim Tucker, PMP facilitated TEAM BUILDING: FORMING, STORMING, NORMING AND PERFORMING. In his workshop, Jim revisited the themes of Bruce Tuckman's work and apply them to today's dynamic project environments.

Chris Dennis, PMP facilitated a workshop on PROJECT SENSE-MAKING - SUCCEEDING IN A HIGHLY AMBIGUOUS ENVIRONMENT designed to offer you tips and techniques that every project manager needs to be a successful facilitator.

Susan Bush, PMP. In her presentation, RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT BEFORE DURING AND AFTER A PROJECT Susan demonstrated some approaches to building a solid working relationship with your client, and how to work through relationship-based issues that may arise during the project lifecycle.

Thank You to all the Presenters, Workshop Leads, Volunteers, and Attendees for making this a successful seminar.

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ABOUT THE SOCIETY - WEBSITE ADDRESS

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The Society of PM Professionals is a voluntary, democratic organization of PMP@s in the Greater Vancouver area, who are dedicated to the achievement of their common purposes in the profession through mutual support, co-operation, and collective effort.

There are more than 450 PMP@s in the Vancouver area who receive notices of Society events.

The Society holds at least three Professional Development Seminars in Vancouver each year.

The Professional Development Seminars feature technical presentations and workshop facilitation by PMP@s for the purpose of continuing professional development. The seminar is intended for PMP@s. However, a PMP@ may invite guests who are committed to the advancement of the Profession. Practitioners who plan to become certified as PMP@s are welcome in particular.

For more information on the Society:  
<http://www.vcn.bc.ca/pmprof/>

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CONTACT THE OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY

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At the November 22, 2006 Annual Meeting, the officers of the Society were elected for a one-year term.

President: Robert Schulz, PMP  
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Secretary Treasurer: Gary Murphy, PMP  
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Registrar: Walter Wawruck, PMP  
[wawruck@intouch.bc.ca](mailto:wawruck@intouch.bc.ca)

If you have not yet filled in a membership application, contact Walter Wawruck, PMP, download one from the website,  
<http://www.vcn.bc.ca/pmprof>

or complete a form at the November 21, 2007 seminar.

Please let us know if you wish to receive notices from the Society at a different e-mail address.