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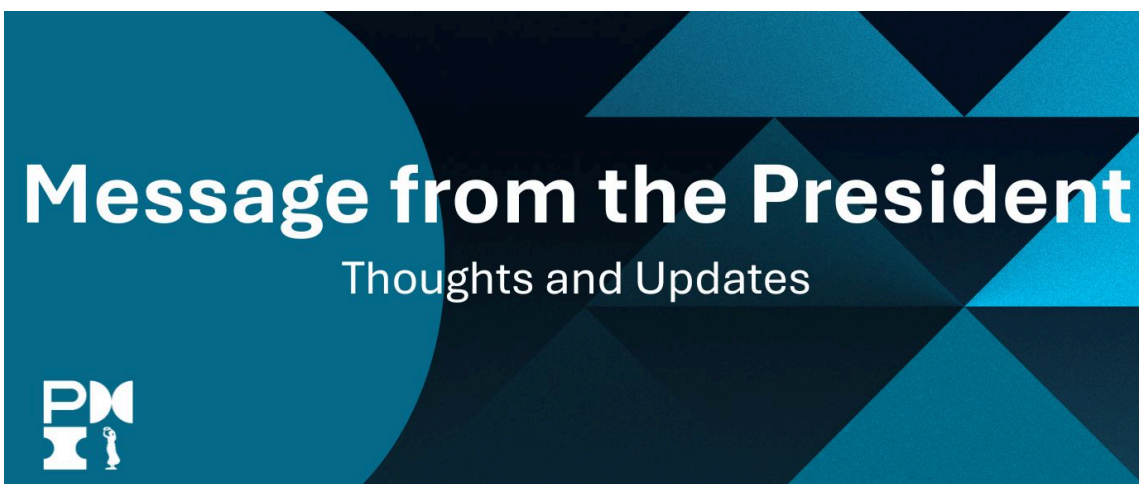
As we begin a new year, this edition brings important updates, new opportunities, and inspiring insights from across our community. From highlights of the Kick-Off 2026, to mentorship initiatives, academic collaborations, and professional development resources, there is much to explore.

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Reminder that the New PMI® Membership Model effects on 2nd February. See your email for the latest updates on those changes.

Stay connected and keep up with the latest PMI Luxembourg news and events through our social media platforms.

PMI Luxembourg Chapter



Guzel Afanaseva, President, PMI Luxembourg Chapter



Dear Members, Partners, and Friends of the PMI Luxembourg Chapter,

Our project management community is a place where professionals at every stage of their careers can connect with like-minded peers, share their project management expertise, and find a supportive and welcoming environment within a close-knit and dynamic network.

Click the link for Guzel's message >>

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Come to discover
our new website !

www.pmi.lu



Big news! Our brand-new website www.pmi.lu is officially LIVE! You can explore the fresh content, up-to-date information, upcoming events, and exciting new resources. Let us know what you think by filling out the contact us form or sending me an email!

[Luxembourg PMI Website](#)



Sustainable Project Management Webinar Series

For PMI Benelux Members and non-members

Webinar 1: Introduction to Sustainable Project Management and PMI GPM certificate

This webinar introduces the core concepts of Sustainable Project Management, highlighting why sustainability matters in projects and how it reshapes decision-making across the project lifecycle. Participants will also gain an overview of the PMI-GPM certification pathway and how it equips project professionals with the mindset and tools needed to deliver projects that create lasting value.

Date: 18th March 2026 (12:00-13:00 CET)

Register here >> [Link](#)

Webinar 2: Project Sustainability Assessment using P5 methodology

This webinar introduces the **GPM P5 Standard** and how it can be used to assess and improve the sustainability performance of projects.

Date: 22nd April 2026 (12:00-13:00 CET)

Register here >> [Link](#)

Webinar 3: Case Studies: Sustainable Project Management in Practice

This webinar showcases case studies that demonstrate how Sustainable Project Management is implemented in real project environments. Through practical examples, participants will gain insight into how sustainability considerations influence project decisions, stakeholder engagement, and long-term value creation. The session offers actionable takeaways that project professionals can apply directly to their own projects.

Date: 22nd May 2026 (12:00-13:00 CET)

Register here >> [Link](#)

If you are interested, please click the link above to find out more details and register on the PMI Netherlands Chapter Website. (PDU will be provided)



Kick Off meeting 2026



This month, we had the pleasure of meeting with our members at our 2026 PMI Luxembourg Kick-Off Meeting.

We were excited to launch a successful event, reconnect with many familiar faces, and warmly welcome new members to our growing community.

During the event, we unveiled our 2026 Strategy, outlining our vision and key priorities for the year ahead. With the support of our Past President Richard Woodham, we proudly introduced our newly appointed Board members: our incoming President Guzel Afanaseva, along with our new Director of Finance Daniela Dragomir and Director of Marketing & Communication Janet Fu.



In 2026, we are placing special focus on extending our volunteering team — bringing in new talents, diverse ideas, and stronger collaboration to further empower our community. We will also deliver a series of thematic webinars centered around: Power skills development; Project success strategies; The evolving role of the project professional in delivering value and PMI framework M.O.R.E as well as onboarding sessions for our new members networking events.



Annual General Meeting

The AGM was held on January 22, 2025, to review the 2025 results and confirm the election outcome. The following results were recorded: (a) validation of the election results (Yes/No): 25/1, and (b) approval of the changes to the bylaws (Yes/No): 24/2. Thank you to all our active members who attended and shared their valuable feedback.



Project Management Institute Luxembourg

NEW PROGRAM FOR NEW MEMBERS!

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with Aurora GUALTIERI



Navigating the Project Management world alone in Luxembourg?

Not anymore!


The new members mentoring program launched in January 2026 to assist new project managers understand the value that PMI can provide as this career path unfolds. This program provides several opportunities for any member looking to develop such as:

- 1:1 support
- attending PMI Lux functions
- networking and contacts
- gaining PDUs

As a PMI Luxembourg member, you are invited to request a mentor. Spaces are limited, and the mentorship program runs for a three-month period.

[Submit your interest!](#)

Book review: Learning to Lead with M.O.R. E



Book Review



Fernando Fernandez Rodriguez



Project Management Institute Luxembourg

Learning to Lead with M.O.R.E.: **A Personal Books Review from *Fernando Fernades Rodrigues, Senior Manager at Amazon***

Writing the first sentence is always the most difficult part, so I will take the easy way in this first edition of the column and start with what is obvious to me. Books have become the backbone of my growth and development, both as a professional and as a person, and my journey in project management is no exception. Keep reading >>

[Read the article](#)



Why I Took the Leap

What motivated me to pursue the PMI-CP was the desire to close the gap between general project management principles and the on-the-ground realities of construction sites. As the PMI Europe Construction Ambassador, I also felt a responsibility to lead by example. I wanted to demonstrate that modernizing our industry starts with upgrading our own skills >>

[Read the article](#)

Project Management for your PHD



We are pleased to announce the winning team of the Project Management for PhD program in Luxembourg. This course was designed to provide doctoral candidates with a strong foundation in Project Management (PM) and to equip them with the skills needed to effectively plan, manage, and successfully complete complex projects - including their doctoral theses.

[Read the article](#)

Cross-University Collaboration with PMI Southern Italy Chapter



On 20 February, the Luxembourg Chapter partnered with the Southern Italy Chapter to deliver a cross-universities challenge bringing together students from eight universities—seven from Italy and one from Luxembourg. During the event, teams presented their fictitious project proposals, demonstrating creativity and practical application of project management principles in an international setting.

This initiative marked the first participation of the University of Luxembourg in this international challenge, representing an important milestone for the Luxembourg Chapter. The projects were evaluated by a panel of experienced project management professionals, who provided insightful feedback and shared best practices with the participants.

The collaboration successfully promoted cross-border academic cooperation, knowledge exchange, and student engagement across universities."





Episode 25: Projects that last: Sustainability mindset with Lucila Dotto

In this episode, we explore how sustainability is reshaping the way project managers plan, deliver and lead initiatives across industries with Lucila Dotto.

[Listen](#)



Episode 24: The Politics of Getting Things Done with Dr. Joachim Dehais

In this episode of PM Untold, Dr. Joachim Dehais, TOGAF, PMP, CCBA, explains how the best decisions happen in the grey areas, where influence matters more than authority.

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Special thanks to all who made this Podcast and this episode possible:

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We are pleased to announce a few volunteer opportunities in our Chapter:

- Associate Director of Events
- Professional Development Leader
- Webmaster

- [Podcast Host](#)

If you are enthusiastic about meaningful dialogue, professional storytelling, event organization, professional development, and community engagement, we warmly encourage you to apply.

17 July Application deadline: 31 March
Please submit your application via the link above



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Ask us anything

Some of you asked us for a “questions & answers” column and so here it is! You can submit your questions using the below button (anonymously, if you wish). We will answer your questions in the upcoming newsletter issues.

[>> submit a question](#)



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