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**PMI-OC HOSTS PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE
Event Set for Sept. 11 at Wyndham Hotel in Costa Mesa**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE...Aug. 28, 2012...COSTA MESA, CALIF....The Orange County Chapter of the Project Management Institute (PMI), the world's largest project management member association, will host its second annual project management conference Sept. 11 from 3-9 p.m. at the Wyndham Orange County Hotel in Costa Mesa.

The 2012 Project Management Conference, entitled "Leadership and Management: The Crossroads of Project Success," will provide attendees with an opportunity to learn, share, and network. The conference is open to business analysts, project managers, and project team members (both PMI members and non-members).

Conference highlights include:

- Six education and leadership sessions
- Four professional development units for attendees with a project management professional credential
- Panel discussion comprised of industry leaders focusing on the future of project management
- A keynote address presented by Troy Hazard, recent global president of the Entrepreneurs' Organization, who will discuss "Leadership Lessons from the Naked Entrepreneur"
- Proclamation of "Project Management Day" by Orange County's mayors, state assemblymen, a U. S. Congressman, and other dignitaries, as well as a color guard ceremony in remembrance of 9/11
- Networking and dinner

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According to Gregory Scott, PMP and president of the PMI Orange County Chapter, the conference will provide an outstanding opportunity for project managers to network with their peers, as well as learn about the importance of leadership and project management in the success of businesses throughout Orange County and nationwide. “We look forward to a variety of informative speakers and breakout sessions covering pertinent topics,” Scott said. “Project managers are leaders in industries across the board, and we look forward to hearing about their leadership experiences and learning how we can apply those lessons in our professional lives.”

Early registration costs range from \$35 for students to \$55 for non-members. Late registration will be available at the door. Information and registration are available at www.pmi-oc.org.

About Project Management Institute (PMI)

PMI is the world’s largest project management member association, representing more than half a million practitioners in more than 185 countries. As a global thought leader and knowledge resource, PMI advances the profession through global standards and credentials, collaborative chapters, virtual communities, and academic research. The Orange County chapter was founded in 1989. It focuses on professional development and networking opportunities and serves more than 1,700 members.

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