

Call for Speakers Spring 2025 PDD Hybrid Event

Austin, Texas Thursday, May 1, 2025 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. CST

Location: Austin, TX

The PMI Austin Chapter (PMIA) is actively seeking exciting speakers from the Project Management community to speak at our Spring hybrid event (taking place both in person and virtually) scheduled for **Thursday**, **May 1**, **2025**, **in Austin**, **Texas**. Every year the conference attracts over 250 attendees from a variety of industries including IT, Healthcare, Construction, Public Sector, and Education.

This year's Professional Development Day (PDD) will be **Workshop style** featuring four speakers covering topics aligned to the PMI Talent Triangle:

- Ways of Working
- Business Acumen
- Power Skills

PLEASE see page six for the list of suggested Project Management Topics trending in 2025.

Our PMIA 2025 Spring's objective is to provide valuable learning and networking opportunities for attendees. If you believe that you can contribute your experience and knowledge to our event, we look forward to hearing from you.

Please read the Terms and Conditions in **Section A** below before submitting your application, which will provide you with more information on what your presentation should contain and the review process.

Please use the application form in **Section B** along with any necessary attachments to have your presentation considered. All submissions and any questions should be sent to programs@pmiaustin.org, speakers@pmiaustin.org, and pds@pmiaustin.org on or before **Friday**, **January 24**, **2025**. PMI Austin will respond on or before **Wednesday**, **January 29**, **2025**.



SECTION A. TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

1. Spring 2025 PDD Speaker Focus

All prospective presenters are encouraged to craft a proposal that is innovative and memorable. The presentation should be interactive, unique, and actionable. Case studies, take-home resources, and audio/visual elements are highly encouraged.

2. Style and Format

The one-day event will feature a 1.5-hour morning keynote presentation, followed by two sessions, and closing keynote presentation each with one-hour presentations from three different speakers. All proposals must follow the template guideline and word count instructions in Section B.

3. Presentation Delivery

PMI Austin will provide selected speakers with the official PowerPoint template for the event. Final speaker presentations should be shared with PMI Austin on or before end of day (**EOD**) **Friday**, **April 5**, **2025**. Speaker deliveries and presentation materials will be shared live with virtual attendees and recorded for distribution to conference attendees for 2 weeks after the event.

4. Audience

PMI Austin is the local chapter of the Project Management Institute, Inc., the world's largest association for project managers. The audience includes project managers, portfolio managers, and executives from private and public sectors. About 250 attendees in nearly all industries are expected.

5. Presentation Selection

- Selection Process: Submissions are subject to review by the PMI Austin Professional Development team. If you are selected for an interview, PMI Austin will be in touch from now until Friday, January 31, 2025.
- Selection Criteria: Relevance to the theme and PMI talent triangle, audience testimonials from previous speaking engagements, presenter's professional qualifications, and overall presentation quality.
- Presenters may not use a conference session for commercial sales pitches, self-promotion, or unwarranted criticism of a competitor. Presentations should only advance the educational process; sales pitches do not and are therefore not acceptable.
 Speakers are not permitted to distribute company promotional literature, brochures, or sales materials in any form to attendees during their session.
- The Program Committee reserves the right to reject or edit any proposal whose content is offensive or defamatory, explicitly unethical or if it contains content that is politically



sensitive, and supports racism, sexual or religious discrimination, illegal activities, and terrorism.

6. Speaker Benefits

Professional Benefits

- Pre- and post-event promotion via email, website, and social media.
- Recognition before, during, and after the event as a subject matter expert.
- Increased visibility and credibility in the eyes of fellow professionals.
- The opportunity to share ideas, knowledge, and experience with 250 attendance delegates across various industries.
- Opportunity to be added to the "PMI Global speaker hub".

Compensation/Reimbursement

To be discussed upon speaker selection.

7. Intellectual Property and Ownership of Presentation Materials

Presentations should consist only of the speaker's original work; not violate any proprietary or personal rights of others (including any copyright, trademark, and privacy rights); be factually accurate, and contain nothing defamatory or otherwise unlawful. The speaker will be the sole copyright holder of the presentation or have obtained all necessary permissions or licenses from any persons or organizations whose material is included or used in his or her presentation.

8. Speaker Cancellation Policy

Any cancellation must be no later than EOD Tuesday, April 1, 2025.



SECTION B. Speaker Submission Form

Please note that submission of this application indicates that you agree to the Terms and Conditions stated in **Section A** of this document. Please include any additional information as attachments to the form. Submissions should be sent directly via email to programs@pmiaustin.org, speakers@pmiaustin.org, and pds@pmiaustin.org on or before Friday, January 24, 2025. PMI Austin will respond on or before Wednesday, January 29, 2025.

Today's Date		
Speaker Information		
Name		
Organization		
Address		
Email Address		
Phone Number		
Website		
LinkedIn/Twitter		
Presentation Links (e.g., YouTube, Vimeo) 3 References		
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Speaker Bio (if selected, will b	e posted to website, maximum 250 words)	
Most recent speaking experience (date, venue, audience, topic; maximum 150 words)		



Speaker Photo

Presentation Information

Title (Tailor your topic around PMI's talent triangle: Power Skills, Ways of Working & Business Acumen) Description (Maximum 250 words) Learning Objectives (if selected, will be posted to website) 1. 2. 3. Key Takeaways • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	Presentation information		
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Category Ways of Working, (see Talent Triangle) Business Acumen, or Power Skills		Business Acumen, or	
Included (e.g., presentation excerpts, samples, or recordings) Attachments (optional)	Attachments	(e.g., presentation excerpts, samples, or recordings)	

Note: All applications must be complete and received on or before **Friday**, **January 24**, **2025**. Applications or additional proposed topics received after that time will not be considered.



Suggested Project Management Topics trending in 2025:

- Maximizing Project Success
- Agility and Adaptability in the New Era
- Redefining Success in the New Project Era
- · Embracing Innovation and Resilience
- Benefit Realization/Value Delivery
- High Performing Teams
- Digital Initiatives/Digital Transformation
- PMOs
- Transformative Leadership
- Remote Project Management
- Data Driven Decision Making
- Change Management
- Hybrid Project Management
- Agile
- Soft Skills
- Improving Collaboration in Multi-generational/Multi-cultural teams

Marketing Campaigns Requests

If **selected** for our Hybrid 2025 Spring, we will provide a list of mandatory marketing requirements to promote the event.