

Candidate Profiles

2017-2019 Board of Directors

PMI Portland Chapter

Voting will be held May 1 - 16, 2017

See the PMI Portland Chapter web site for detailed information about the election process, position descriptions and voting: www.pmi-portland.org/elections

President Elect Candidates

Titu Hariharan, PMP, CSM



Titu Hariharan currently serves PMI Portland Chapter as the VP of Programs. Since 2013, Titu Hariharan has served PMI Portland Chapter Board in various capacities; starting in Registration, progressing quickly to Director of Registration, Annual Conference Lead Project Manager for Registration, VP of Programs, and Annual Conference Strategic Committee member. Titu's decision to pursue her PMP credential led her to PMI's doorstep. Titu has taken an active role to expand existing programs and starting new ones that bring value to PMI Portland members and the Project Management community, creating awareness and bringing in new members to grow the Chapter.

Titu has experience of over ten years in education, project management, business analysis, event management, sales & marketing, and customer service. She is a leader with strong communication and negotiation skills who can bring people together to achieve project goals and objectives. Titu's vision is to cultivate a highly engaged culture of members who will learn, grow, inspire, connect with, and give back to the PMI community. Additionally, volunteers are

the heartbeat of PMI; a key goal is to reward and recognize volunteers for their contribution and dedication. Titu enjoys traveling, reading, and learning about the history and culture of the places she visits. She calls PNW home and lives with her husband, soon-to-graduate daughter, college-bound teenager son and Kona, her chocolate lab. Kona looks forward to his daily walks with Titu, rain or shine. Mostly rain J, hey, it is the PNW after all!!!

Secretary Candidate

Caroline Maringa



Caroline has been a member of the Project Management Institute (PMI) Portland Chapter since 2011 and volunteered in different roles and events. She graduated from Portland State University with a double major in Human Resources Management and Supply Chain Management. She also holds a PMI certification as a Project Management Professional (PMP)

In her career Caroline has held various roles in Manufacturing, Bio-Pharmaceutical and Government which have shaped her leadership and project management approach. Currently, Caroline works for the City of Portland as an IT Project Manager and has over six years as an IT project manager. What she enjoys the most about the work are the people, processes and technology.

When not working Caroline can be found spending time with friends and family, traveling, dancing and trying new recipes.

VP at Large Candidate

Lisa McCaffrey, PMP, MBA



Lisa is PMP certified and has seven years of project management and consulting experience working in aerospace, manufacturing and supply chain. She is passionate about team, leading with integrity and transparency, and guided by her principles of ethics and inclusion. She completed her MBA in Operations and Technology Management at the University of Portland where she enhanced her skills to break down functional silos, combining her skills as a project manager and business analyst with her Lean training, to create efficiencies within the IT and Supply Chain departments.

Lisa enjoys giving back to the community. She has board experience serving as The Director of Student Chapters at APICS and has previously donated time to other non-profits: The Junior League; Girls Scouts of America and Domestic Violence Shelters. She

saw a need on the PMI board, and began attending PMI board meetings in December. After a vetting process by the board, she was elected as The VP at Large. In a short time, Lisa has been assigned a special project by the President, represented Portland PMI at the Region 1 Leadership Conference, and is working with the PMI Annual Conference Speaker Team. Lisa would be honored to continue to work on your behalf and to serve you and the Portland PMI Chapter.

Max, Maximus Happiness, is her Pembroke Welsh Corgi and they enjoy hiking and exploring the beautiful state of Oregon.

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Kenneth Hartley



I believe that the best values which I can bring to the Portland PMI Chapter are four fold, all of which relate to the types of activities needed for successful PMI local Chapter activities.

Experience as an active member of the then largest PMI Chapter (Northern California Chapter) in the late 1980s and early 1990s, including serving terms as Secretary, President and Executive Committee member. Experience as a PMI Board member on three separate occasions, twice as PMI Chair. One of these terms in 1985 included introduction of the PMP program and change out of the then PMI Executive Director while working on a mega-project in Barranquilla, Colombia. Have spoken at PMI and other project management related events in seven countries and numerous professional

meetings and universities in the United States. Experience as the Co-Publicity Manager for the Annual PMI Seminar/Symposium in 1988 as well as Co-Project Manager for the Annual Seminar/Symposium in Boston in 1996. Both these events preceded the advent of any PMI Headquarters participation in the planning and execution of same. Service on the PMI Educational Foundation Board on three occasions and instrumental in creating the PMIEF Leadership Society. Over 40 years of experience in the management of design and construction of large capital projects in the United States and 20 other countries, thus being able to work successfully in a variety of corporate cultures, languages and environments.

VP of Finance Candidate

Kyle Townsend



Kyle Townsend is CAPM certified and seeking his PMP. He has volunteered in Arizona as the assistant VP of Operations and seeks to improve his knowledge and understanding through volunteering here in Oregon, his new place of residence. Kyle has over five years of finance experience and loves his new city. He is eager to learn and grow from those around him.

VP of Marketing Candidate

Lokesh Aggarwal, PMP



Lokesh has more than 20 years of experience in IT industry managing projects in private and public industry, manages application development, infrastructure and COTS implementation projects. He is PMP certified and a PMI member in good standing. He earned his Bachelor's Degree in Engineering from University of Glasgow, Scotland, UK and Master's degree in Computer Science with top honors from New York. He has been doing voluntary jobs from two decades, as an elected university representative for University of Glasgow, engineering program, Chairman of the Parent Association committee (PAC) for his daughter's high school and managing the registrations at the 15-year high school reunion.

Lokesh previously served the PMI Portland Chapter as Director of the Sponsor's program where he developed and deployed the sponsorship program. More recently, he served as

VP Marketing and developed Marketing as a Service. Marketing team currently has a strong team of 10+ volunteers, still growing and provides marketing service and support to the PMI Portland Chapter. In his spare time he spends time with his family, invest in real estate and plays cricket with the local team.

VP of Operations Candidates

Hakan Kutgun, PMP



As the current VP of Operations, Hakan would like to continue the endeavor to realize his vision of making PMI Portland Chapter as the go-to-chapter for operational practices. His team is already conducting several projects under operations portfolio to improve existing operational capabilities of PMI Portland and newer ones are under development, including projects partnering with other chapters in the region. With his passion for PMI, creativity for improvement, team leadership and motivation he'd like to continue his quest to promote project management profession and make Portland Chapter the shining beacon of PMI. Hakan is a creative developer and implementer of new ideas with an ever curious and critical

mindset. Upon attaining his degree in Aerospace Engineering from Middle East Technical University, he worked as a teaching assistant at the same department. Over a diverse engineering, academic and entrepreneur background, he has more than 10 years of project management experience spanning across startup, construction and defense projects with extensive experience managing large scale technical projects. He volunteered for social fundraising projects, acted as career mentor for vocational school students and keynote speaker in various universities over the years. As a diligent professional and licensed professional, he also served as a board member in occupational safety board of his former company in addition to his PM roles. He is an experienced engineer, certified PMP, occupational hazards expert and lifeguard as well as a photography artist. Being an ever passionate learner, he is now pursuing a PhD in Technology Management at Portland State University.

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VP of Professional Development Candidates

Ashish Gupta



Ashish Gupta is currently working as a Technology Business Consultant at City of Portland, Bureau of Technology Services. He has more than eighteen years of professional experience and almost eight years of managing IT projects. Ashish has completed his dual Masters with Masters in Engineering Management and Master in Systems Engineering from Portland State University.

"I see this opportunity as a win-win situation for everyone. As a professional project manager, I am very interested in serving the project management community. This opportunity will not only help in my passion but also improve my leadership skills and provide fulfillment for my civic duties."

VP of Programs Candidates

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Open position

Thank you to all the candidates for their willingness to volunteer to support the Portland Chapter in 2017–2019. We look forward to an exciting and successful year through your contributions on the Board.

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