

Congratulations to the Society of Project Managers (SPM) on your anniversary!

Over the last 23 years, SPM has helped to elevate the profile of Project Managers (PMs) and contributed to efforts for the betterment of the construction industry. As Singapore develops further, SPM will continue to play a significant role, particularly in the ongoing transformation of our Built Environment (BE) sector.

Global trends like the digital revolution, rapid urbanisation and climate change are shaping our BE sector. Transformation areas such as Integrated Digital Delivery (IDD), Design for Manufacturing and Assembly (DfMA) and green building have been identified to address the challenges brought on by these trends. These areas were encapsulated in our tripartite Construction Industry Transformation Map (ITM) that was launched last year. The ITM will realise our vision to have an advanced and integrated sector led by progressive and collaborative firms and supported by a skilled and competent workforce.

As projects in our BE sector grow in scale and complexity, and as we continue to push for greater productivity by adopting technologies such as IDD and DfMA, there is a growing impetus for good project management capabilities. This will also result in better project outcomes and increased workplace health and safety.

SPM, as a representative body for projects managers in Singapore, is well-placed to lead the way for its fraternity in terms of raising the industry's capabilities to keep in tandem with shifts in construction trends. I am glad to know that SPM is part of the BuildSG Tripartite Committee which aims to foster greater collaboration and develop plans across unions, trade associations and the Government to realise transformation in the industry. SPM's representation in the BuildSG Tripartite Committee as well as in the Construction Industry Joint Committee underscores the important role of Project Managers (PMs) in integrating the construction value chain and processes.

I wish you continued success in enhancing the project management profession in the years to come.

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