

Terms of Reference: Nuclear Project Management Specific Interest Group (Nuclear PM SIG)

Introduction

This document presents the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Nuclear Project Management Special Interest Group (Nuclear PM SIG), a collaborative initiative between the Nuclear Institute and Association for Project Management.

Purpose of the SIG

Our ultimate goal is to enhance the competitiveness of the sector and restore confidence in the industry amongst government and public stakeholders, in support of the [Nuclear Sector Deal](#) aims.

We aim to add value to the nuclear industry by enhancing the development and understanding of project, programme and portfolio management (P3M) disciplines in the sector.

How we will contribute

Scope of interest areas

We are focused on discussing, researching, innovating and supporting all aspects involved in supporting successful project, programme and portfolio delivery within the nuclear industry. For us, 'project management' encompasses any of the disciplines related to project, programme and portfolio management including project controls, risk management, cost analysis, programme management, benefits management, PMO management, to name but a few. However, we also recognise that other communities are critical enablers to the success of projects such as engineering, scientific, commercial, legal etc. and welcome the input of these groups.

Key principles

We have developed a series of key principles that will guide our contribution:

1. We are here to add value to the project, programme and portfolio management community within the nuclear industry.
2. We agree to focus on strategic issues that are specific to the nuclear industry that affect delivery performance.
3. We agree not to focus on issues such as competence or generic project management and project controls processes, since these are covered extensively by project management professional bodies and others.
4. We intend to focus our efforts on a small number of key issues that are relevant to the UK nuclear industry.
5. We will avoid repeating the work of others.
6. We will collaborate with other organisations and initiatives in order to integrate innovative practises into the nuclear industry.

Benefits to members

The SIG will give individuals the opportunity to:

- Share and celebrate their expertise, knowledge and experience
- Develop their own skills, knowledge and competencies
- Consider how new approaches in P3M from outside the nuclear sector could be deployed to the benefit of P3M performance across the nuclear sector
- Contribute to the overall development of P3M in the nuclear industry

Benefits to industry

The SIG will provide a single focal point where the development of project, programme and portfolio management disciplines within the nuclear industry can be discussed and progressed. The ultimate benefit to industry should be driving positive change in the effectiveness of the nuclear industry to deliver its projects, programmes and portfolios in support of purpose of the SIG above.

Partners

The SIG is a collaboration between the Nuclear Institute and Association for Project Management. The benefit of such an approach would be to enrich the SIG with the strengths of other institutions, and to encourage cross-sector learning. Any collaboration mechanisms will be mutually agreed at the outset.

Governance

The SIG will be led by a Steering Group, headed by a Chair and supported by a Secretary. The SIG, via its Chair, will report to a NI Board of Trustee Sponsor and the NI CEO.

Membership

Membership of the SIG is open to anyone, although members are encouraged to hold membership status with NI and APM.