Gartner Program & Portfolio Management Summit

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2019 executive summary

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Top Gartner One-on-One Meeting topics
1. PMO Strategies & Disciplines
2. Program and Portfolio Management Leaders
3. Application & Product Portfolio Governance
4. Portfolio & Resource Management for Products & Projects
5. CIO Leadership, Culture & People

Top sectors
20% Government
19% Banking, Finance & Insurance
12% Manufacturing
12% Healthcare
11% Technology & Telecom
26% Other

1,780 attendees

Top job titles
47% Management
21% Director
7% VP
4% C-level
21% Other
Gartner Keynotes

In a world of ‘Continuous Next’, with deep, continuous digital change, and significant uncertainty, many traditional practices designed to maximize value are not enough. We need to change it up. In this Monday morning keynote, Dave Aron talked about fear/fact/faith-based portfolios, the shift from projects to products and the need to value options.

Mastering the Art of Saying “No”
The mechanics of “No” can be challenging. Being able to say “no” diplomatically is essential for PPM leaders to ensure that they can make space to say “yes” to the most important things. Yet, with ever-increasing demands for IT from every corner of the enterprise, saying “no” constructively is more difficult than ever. Tuesday’s keynote with Tina explored the complex dynamics behind the healthy “no” and dove into how PPM leaders can master the difficult skill of saying “no”.

Dave Aron
Distinguished VP Analyst, Gartner

Tina Nunno
Distinguished VP Analyst, Gartner
Guest Keynotes

**Squaring the Circle: New Technologies, New Projects**

Old-style manufacturing mindsets won’t work any more: too bureaucratic, too slow, too linear. In this Monday afternoon keynote, Margaret Heffernan, CEO and Entrepreneur, discussed how comforting it is to think of change as a single player event. However in reality, projects these days involve multiple clients with manifold demands requiring a myriad of preferences and priorities. This often leaves project and portfolio managers in the middle of a three-ring circus, where everyone thinks they’re the center of attention. She shared how managers can get a grip on complex projects and programs, but still be standing at the end.

**Resilient to the Core: How to Scientifically Improve Your Default Response to Stress to Boost Performance and Happiness**

A mindset hijacked by stress is one of the biggest barriers to high performance for leaders and their teams, yet new research shows 91% of people could improve their default response to stress using simple, proven habits. The antidote to the weight of change, uncertainty, and non-stop demands is building a resilient, optimistic mindset. In Wednesday’s closing keynote, researcher and bestselling author Michelle Gielan shared how to unlock your success mindset to fuel greater energy, performance, and happiness and how to communicate this positive mindset to your teams by making optimism and resilience contagious.
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Now that you’ve had some time to digest the research and recommendations, we hope you have clear action items to implement in the near term and future.

To get the most from your experience and to share with your colleagues, we suggest these next steps:

1. **Download presentations via Gartner Conference Navigator**
   Did you miss a session? You can still access the conference documentation and listen to available audio recordings from many presentations. Log in online.

2. **Key lessons**
   Recap the notes you made from the presentations you found most inspiring and your Gartner One-on-One Meetings. Have you implemented anything yet? If not, we recommend creating an action plan for the next 3, 6, 9 months based off of your key findings from this week.

3. **Connect**
   We hope you found time at the conference to grow your peer network. Now is a great time to circle back with both peers and exhibitors to keep the conversations going — or even reach out to new contacts. You can connect within the Gartner Conference Navigator app.

4. **Follow up with us**
   If you need help turning your ideas into actions, contact us at GlobalConferences@gartner.com.

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See you next year!

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