PROGRAMME OVERVIEW;

The APM Registered Project Professional (RPP) is a pan-sector standard for those able to demonstrate the capabilities of a responsible leader, who has the ability to manage a complex project and use appropriate tools, processes and techniques. Following a successful pilot programme, the ECITB OPMSG (Offshore Project Management Steering Group) are supporting a further programme in the Offshore region to facilitate a higher ‘minimum’ standard of competence to be acknowledged across the sector, for those managing complex projects.

RPP is about recognising those who can achieve success in a complex project, programme and portfolio environment through the management of others. It will assess all elements of the APM FIVE Dimensions of Professionalism in a single standard, thereby enhancing professional status and recognition. Successful candidates will be entered onto the APM Register of Project Professionals which demonstrates to users of project management services and the wider public, those professionals who have met the standard for RPP.

TARGET AUDIENCE AND PREREQUISITES;

The APM Registered Project Professional aligned to the 2nd edition APM Competence Framework which recognises the different paths individuals take into the profession thereby offering an experienced practitioner route and a new developmental route into RPP. RPP is available to anyone who has either:

• minimum of 7 years’ experience of working in project, programme or portfolio management or in a key control function or;
• achieved the APM Project Professional Qualification (PPQ) or APM Practitioner Qualification (PQ). Holders of these qualifications will undertake a reduced written submission for RPP

Successful Candidates should show evidence of;

• A record of employment history;
• An overview of at least two projects, programmes or portfolios to be used as evidence, likely to have been within the last seven years;
• PRACTICAL COMPETENCE and BREADTH OF KNOWLEDGE in project management in the following categories:
  • PLANNING the Project, Programme or Portfolio
  • Managing stakeholders and communication
  • Managing the project, programme or portfolio key control function
  • INSPIRING and MOTIVATING others through EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP
  • Managing TEAMS and DEVELOPING STAFF

Holders of PPQ or PQ will answer the practical competence questions only;

• Completing 35hrs of CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD) within the last 12 months

Candidates will also need to become full members of the APM when applying for RPP.
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PROGRAMME CONTENT;
The programme will be delivered in 2 parts;

**Part 1**: A series of workshop sessions and one-to-one coaching delivered by an ECITB approved training provider.

Where interested candidates meet the pre-requisite criteria they will be invited to register for the programme. Further to the successful assessment & screening of the application, confirmation of attendance at the below workshops will be mandatory and must be confirmed BEFORE candidates will be accepted onto the programme. Workshop dates will be published shortly after expressions of interest are received.

**Part 2**: Upon the APM approving the Portfolio application (Month 6), the ECITB approved training provider will provide further coaching and support to the participants in readiness for a Professional Review with an APM RPP Assessors Panel.

CERTIFICATION;
Successful participants will be awarded the APM ‘Registered Project Professional’ designation.

Note – The consultation on Chartered Standard by the APM is ongoing. RPP will be a route to achieving Chartered Status however a full update is expected late 2017 on requirements for the route to Chartered Status and timelines.

APPLICATIONS;
Please submit:

- Application form and supporting statement which gives an overview of the complex project and your role within it.
- A copy of your CV demonstrating:
  - at least 7 years’ experience working in project, programme or portfolio management or in a key control function
  - OR
  - work experience to date and confirmation of achievement of the APM Project Professional Qualification (PPQ) or APM Practitioner Qualification (PQ) including copy of certification.

Expressions of interest to be submitted to opmsg@ecitb.org.uk

Closing date for expressions of interest will be on the 30th November 2017.