*This book is dedicated to everyone in the Project Management community and includes new and aspiring project managers.*

**INTRODUCTION**

The contents of this book serve as a guide in addressing some practical or real-life aspects of project management that one would typically not see in a theoretical or academic setting. Each chapter is not a chapter in the real sense of the word. Rather, it is a possible scenario that is based on a real-life situation, and the primary purpose is to provide a response and a possible solution that may assist the project manager and his/her project.

It is based on my 15+ years’ experience in the IT project management industry. This is probably the first in the series of books that I plan to release as a means to educate aspiring, new and experienced project managers. The primary goal is to offer my perspective and close the gap that exists between theoretical and practical project management experience.

I hope this book provides value to all those who want to make a career in project management and reap the benefits of understanding what they can expect when working on real projects. I believe this book will help project managers make a better transition into the work environment, perform well, and make it successful in the long run.