



American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Hong Kong Section
&
Engineers Australia Hong Kong Chapter

Jointly Organize a

Technical Seminar
On
Building public trust through sustainability

By

D. MICHAEL MUCHA

Date: 13 November 2012 (Tuesday)
Time: 6:00pm (Networking), 6:30pm (Start of Seminar)
Venue: The Australian Consulate General, Hong Kong, "The Wombat Hole" 24/F Harbour Centre, 25 Harbour road, Wanchai, Hong Kong

Abstract:

Michael will focus his remarks on ways for the manager or team leader to use sustainability as a management competency to achieve community or organizational goals in a way that empowers people, promotes healthy eco systems and creates thriving and vibrant communities. Michael emphasizes that sustainability can be an effective resource to remove conflict in situations and get difficult problems unstuck. Michael will share tools and conceptual frameworks to help participants improve their own capacity to lead in times of uncertainty, conflict, and skepticism. Sustainability, as a decision-making platform will help students build trusting relationships, channel creativity and create balanced solutions that last and have fewer unintended consequences.

Registration:

This technical seminar is free of charge. No prior registration is required. The seats will be allocated on first-come-first served basis, and priority will be given to the members of ASCE and Engineers Australia.

Certificate of attendance (i.e. 1.5 hours of CPD) will be provided at the seminar

All Are Welcome

About the speaker: D. MICHAEL MUCHA



Michael serves as the Chief Engineer and Director for the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District. He has dedicated his 25-year career to working on sustainability issues in local government.

“Building public trust through sustainability” best describes what motivates Michael to get up and go to work every day. He believes that the issues of our time are too complex to tackle alone. Moreover, the key to public trust is discovering reasons to work together to make a difference.

Michael is a registered professional engineer in three states. He currently serves as Chair for American Society of Civil Engineers Committee on Sustainability. He is also Past Chair for the American Public Works Associations Center for Sustainability, where he was a

founding member.

Michael teaches sustainable leadership and decision making as adjunct faculty at Evergreen State College-Olympia and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He also serves on several community boards.

Prior to joining MMSD, Michael served as Director of Public Works for the City of Olympia, the Capital of Washington for eleven years. During his tenure, he worked with others to achieve significant reductions in overall community water consumption, developed actions to adapt Olympia to sea level rise and advanced a bold vision of being a waste free community.

Michael has his BS in Civil Engineering from the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee, his Masters in Public Administration from the University of Washington-Seattle, and completed Harvard University’s Senior Executives in State and Local Government program.