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Adil Dalal was invited to our Central Illinois (PMI-CIC) 2010 Conference which was held on September 1 – September 2, 2010 in Normal, IL. He graciously accepted and agreed to be our Keynote speaker, in addition to presenting two other sessions.

In his keynote presentation, entitled *“Project Management: A Misnomer – Truth or Consequences”*, Adil referenced five special or magical powers that advanced project leaders possess; this sets them apart from other Project Managers. His keynote was intended to be both thought-provoking and controversial in helping us to think differently about the following areas:

- The current short-comings of the subject matter of project management.
- Understanding the constraints of project management and the resulting impact on project failures
- Can leadership change the field of project management?
- How can project managers learn and attain the skill levels of advanced project leaders?
- Learn from a real-life case study of how understanding the fundamentals of this topic helped in the successful completion of a multi-million dollar project.

Adil was a great opening presenter and helped to set the tone for the conference. Here are just a few of the rave reviews the conference team received in regard to Adil’s Opening Keynote presentation:

- “Loved the 5 magical powers, especially the visualization.”
- “Great opening to get people engaged.”
- “Adil is a great motivating speaker; the first hour just flew by!”
- “Wonderful presenter, all examples provided were very useful. Loved the videos, they were spot-on and to the point.”
- “Liked the 5 Powers, great stuff!”

In addition, Adil’s presentation style was relaxed and friendly, yet professional at all times. He was engaging with the audience and it was apparent that he is very knowledgeable in project management and its processes. Adil also presented two more break-out sessions during the conference that were as well received as the opening keynote.

We would be proud to welcome Adil back for future conference or workshops, and would highly recommend him as a speaker to others conferences as well!

Sincerely,
Marge Stretch, PMP, CSM
PMI-CIC 2010 Conference Chair