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## UPCOMING TECHNICAL MEETING

**Date:** October 18, 2017

**Time:** 6:30 pm (Social/Networking)  
7:00 pm (Presentation)

**Where:** Akbar, 21 Cortlandt St,  
Edison, NJ 08540

**Subject:** **Data Analytics and the Future of Project Controls**

Data analytics has started to play a very critical role in our everyday lives. From artificial intelligence to clinical trials, from self-driving cars to execution of monetary policy, dependency on purpose-driven data has become a crucial part of the corporate world. Project Controls has always been a fairly data intensive practice with a spectrum of reporting and analysis, resulting in key decision making throughout the course of the project. The presentation will explore the application of data analytics to develop a project data repository. The speaker will provide an example of how a standard MS-Excel based data repository can be successfully migrated into a Managed Data Environment to integrate with other database applications and provide impressive dashboard reports using Tableau software.

**Speaker:** **Gary Lamba**

Mr. Lamba is a corporate strategist and construction management professional with an MBA and over 20 years of experience in capital projects, strategic planning, life cycle asset management, project controls, risk management, and forensic audits / investigations. He is currently the Director of Project Controls at the Federal Reserve Bank of NY. Prior to joining the Fed, he spent 10 years as a management consultant working for Marsh Risk Consulting and Deloitte & Touche. Gary completed his BS in Mechanical Engineering from NYU Poly and an MBA from Rutgers University. He is a licensed PE and also a Certified Cost Professional (CCP).

Please RSVP to Sean Duffy [sean.duffy@fmc.com](mailto:sean.duffy@fmc.com)

**Meeting fee (dinner and drinks included):**

- \$25 for AAACE-NJ
- \$35 for non-members.

## 2017-2018 Outlook

On November 15, the Section will be headed north for its technical meeting in Secaucus, NJ.

Topic: "Some Assembly Required – Lessons Learned from a Modular Construction Project in NYC"

Presenter: Joe Manfredonia (Vice President - Director of Preconstruction, The Rinaldi Group)

Location: TBD

In December we look forward to some holiday cheer as we prepare for the New Year.

The spring schedule includes:

- January 2018 - FUTURE CITY, Rutgers
- February 2018 - Joint/Technical with NSPE and ASCE
- March 2018 - NE Regional Meeting/Symposium,
- April 2018 - "TBD", Princeton
- May 2018 - NJ Section Elections

For meetings, checks should be made payable to "New Jersey Section AAACE".

## AAACE's 2018 Annual Meeting

June 24-27

Manchester Grand Hyatt

San Diego, CA

Don't miss out on this excellent opportunity to network with your peers, earn CEUs/PDHs and attend the latest papers on cost, schedule and management at AAACE's 2018 Annual Meeting in San Diego, CA. For more information on registration rates, hotel and travel, exhibit and sponsor, speaker, technical program, continuing education seminars, and other information, please visit <http://www.aacei.org/meetings-events>.



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## **AACE International New Jersey Section News:**

### **Certification News:**

Please visit <http://www.aacei.org/certification> to know more about the certification programs offered by AACEI.

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### **NJ Section Website:**

Please send us your comments and suggestions for improving the website to Mike Bennink, PE, CCP.

### **NJ Section Newsletter:**

The success of the NJ Section depends on your participation and input. As such, this Newsletter is a vehicle for all of the New Jersey members to get and gather information. We encourage the members to submit articles, abstracts or any other announcement that they would like published. Suggestions about the newsletter are also welcome.

If you have anything you would like to include or any questions regarding the newsletter, please feel free to contact: **John Stone, PE, CCP** - Newsletter Director at [jostone@deloitte.com](mailto:jostone@deloitte.com).

### **Membership:**

The Association's programs, products, and services are a reflection of the high quality of its members and their chosen career path and interests. Where the value is clear the decision is easy. AACE International has the energy and momentum to bring greater value to its members. With your involvement, we can keep the New Jersey section strong and active!

**Sujal Patani**

*Director, Membership*

### **Corporate Sponsorship:**

It is never too late in the year to consider becoming an AACEI Corporate Sponsor. AACEI Corporate Sponsors will receive a discount for the Annual Meetings and discounts for the upcoming Certification exams as well as AACEI publications. If your organization has several AACEI members, please consider becoming a Corporate Sponsor; it will begin paying for itself immediately.

**Mark Cohen, PE, PMP**

*Corporate Sponsorship*

### **News from Morgantown:**

*(Note: Information regarding AACE International news and events is taken from the official AACE International website and membership e-mails)*

## **Update Your Profile**

Stay current - update your profile! If you have moved or changed jobs, make sure you stay in touch with AACE by reviewing and maintaining your accurate profile in AACE's database. Go here on AACE's website to login and to make the necessary changes. If you need help updating your profile, go here.

## **AACE Certifications Offered**

The Certification Board of AACE International has partnered with Kryterion™ Global Testing Solutions as the provider of computer based testing (CBT) for all AACE certification examinations. With a worldwide network of testing centers, the Kryterion Testing Network (KTN) ensures each testing center conforms to strict standards to make certain all test takers have a consistent experience. Additionally, Kryterion Testing Network proctors are required to follow standard operating procedures and are certified to ensure the highest level of security and customer care.



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To learn more about AACE certification programs please visit <http://www.aacei.org/certification> or contact our Certification Director, **Ramani Sundaram, CCP, MRICS, CEP, PMP** at [ramani551@msn.com](mailto:ramani551@msn.com) or 609-330-8014. If you have any more questions you can visit the AACE website at <http://www.aacei.org/certifications-faqs>;

## Below is a listing of AACE Certifications

### Technician Level Certifications

- Certified Cost Technician (CCT)
- Certified Scheduling Technician (CST)

### Professional Level Certifications

- Certified Cost Professional (CCP)
- Certified Estimating Professional (CEP)
- Earned Value Professional (EVP)
- Planning & Scheduling Professional (PSP)

### Expertise Level Certifications

- Certified Forensic Claims Consultant (CFCC)
- Decision & Risk Management Professional (DRMP)

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## Join AACE Communities

We are excited to announce the launch of our new communities and engagement platform, AACE Communities. Designed exclusively for AACE members, the collaboration tool will give you the opportunity to engage, ask questions, join groups and find resources.

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## Renew Your Dues

(Members Only)

For those of you who have already renewed, THANK YOU!

Members, please stay current and renew your dues. Go to AACE's website to start the dues renewal process.

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## Virtual Library

Our virtual library is back up again. An additional 70+ new technical articles have been added to bring the total up to about 5,500+. AACE members have free access to all technical papers in the library. Some additional enhancements have been made to the library. If the presentation of a paper was recorded, there will now be a direct link to that video in the search results (in addition to a link to the paper itself). Please visit the AACE website for more information about our Virtual Library.

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## NJ Section - 2017-2018 Technical Programs

Date	Subject - Presenter	Location	Meeting Type
9/20/2017	Successful Management of Owner's Risk: Lessons Learned Make a Difference – Paul G. Williams	On the Border, Princeton	Technical
10/18/2017	Data Analytics and the Future of Project Controls – Gary Lamba	Akbar, Edison	Technical
10/15/2017	Some Assembly Required – Lessons Learned from a Modular Construction Project in NYC	Secaucus, NJ	Technical
December 2017	Social Meeting	TBD	Social Gathering
January 2018	FUTURE CITY	Rutgers	Student
February 2018	Joint meeting with ASCE Central Jersey,	Raritan Valley Area	Joint/Technical
March 2018	NE Regional Meeting	TBD	Symposium
April 2018	TBD	TBD	TBD
May 2018	TBD	TBD	TBD



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