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Learning
Hours/Continuous
Learning CPU Points:
3 hours

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Presents

Year-End Half Day Training Seminar - ZOOM
Thursday 09 December 2021 – 8am – 11am PST

Accomplished Lecturer



DR. TOM MAHONEY, CPM

Professor at DAU

Defense Acquisition University

Topic Title:

**“Critical Thinking for Acquisition Professionals
Involving Critical Procurement Matters”**

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Critical Thinking and Problem-Solving Seminar Cogito Ergo Sum (“I think Therefore I am” – Renee Descartes)

How good are your critical thinking skills? Great, right!! Maybe, Somewhat, I get by? How well do you solve problems using your critical thinking skills? Here is a test, when was the last time you identified a problem, offered solutions, and had your boss accept your effort with a big smile? In the seminar, we will expose you to Critical Thinking and you will be able to use your new-found understanding to problem solving a wicked problem of a contracting nature – “Timely Audit Support”. During our time together we will go through the problem-solving process using Professor Toulmin model on evidence, Professor Kaoru Ishikawa Fish- bone Diagram and Aristotle model of Causality. Using these tools, we will expose you to the real-world problem of timely Audit Support and development of a briefing that takes you through the process of identifying the real problem, along with the impact of the problem, alternatives to solving the problem, developing criteria to select the best alternative and identifying possible solutions to this vexing issue. It will be great fun hope to see you there.

Dr. Tomas Mahoney, CPM, is a Professor of Contract Management, Defense Acquisition University. He has 30+ years of contract management experience in both Government and the defense industry. Dr. Mahoney received a Professional Designation in Contract Management from the Air Force Institute of Technology, School of Systems and Logistics and the National Contract Management Association. He has a Level III Certification in the Air Force Acquisition Professional Development Program and is a Certified Purchasing Manager with the Institute for Supply Management. He published the article “Earn Value for the Contracts Professional” in the Oct 2011 issue of The National Contracts Management Association Journal. Dr. Mahoney worked as a Deputy Executive Officer for Construction Contracting for the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority responsible for \$3 billion in Light Rail and Subway construction. Upon receiving his Doctorate in Public Administration, he became the Director of Program Control for MDS- CE in Fullerton, California. Later he worked at Northrop Grumman as a Senior Business Manager responsible for Earned Value Management System implementation and L-3 Communications as the Director of Supply Chain Management. During his Air Force career, he held numerous contract management positions in operational contracting and systems acquisition management. His overseas assignments included: Incirlik AFB, Turkey as Chief of the Base Contracting Office, and HQ USAFE Contracting Staff at Ramstein AB, Germany.

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For any questions, please contact **Thi Hagenbuechle**, Chapter President, VP–Programs, Chapter Advisor, either by email at: Thi.Hagenbuechle@me.com, and/or by phone at **310-415-4777**.

Cost To Attend:

If register before Friday November 26, 2021:

\$100 for NCMA Member per person

For Non-Member: \$125 per person

If register after November 26, 2021:

For Member: \$125 per person

For Non-Member: \$150 per person

Looking forward to seeing you all at our NCMA LA South Bay Year-End Half Day Critical Thinking Training Zoom Seminar scheduled for Thursday December 9, 2021 – 8am!

