



Annual Report 2016/2017

The year 2016 had been a year of disruption – Duterte, the Brexit, Donald Trump victory, slowing Singapore economy. I expect 2017 to remain difficult for Singapore and some of our members may be displaced in their jobs or businesses disrupted. The MBA alumni network is particularly relevant and useful to help one another tide through the difficult period.

Our vision remains to transform the MBA Alumni–NUS to become world-class alumni through Collaboration and NLP – Networking, Learning and Profiling – in 2010 and I have continued to promote this vision in 2016. I am proud to announce that thanks to your generous support and assistance, we have successfully achieved some of these goals through the following NLP milestones and collaboration.

Networking

The board members organised and supported several networking events:

1. NUS Business School Golf Reunion Challenge 2016

This year' Golf Reunion 2016 event was held on 21 July 2016 at Singapore Island Country Club chaired by the NUS Business School Mandarin Alumni Association and co-organised by the NUS Business School Alumni Association and MBA Alumni-NUS Association for a total of 144 golfers.

All the flights were sold and there were hole-in-one prizes, lucky draw and novelty.

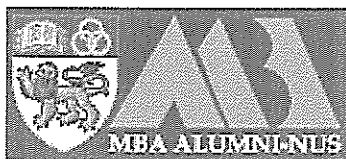
2. Explore Singapore 2016 Forum & Alumni Networking

The 8th Explore Singapore Tour, an annual flagship event organised jointly with GANO to orientate our new MBA students from overseas, was held on 28 July 2016.

It culminated with a dinner networking event organized by GANO at Shaw Foundation Alumni House, Waterway more than 180 alumni and students in attendance. It was also a great platform for the new MBA intake to connect with and meet our alumni in a relaxed and casual setting over drinks and dinner.

3. Alumni Drinks

We organized our regular networking sessions at the RedDot Brewhouse at Boat Quay, The Mad Men Attic Bar at North Canal Road and Club Meatballs at Cross Street. These are watering-holes for our members to relax and socialize.



4. Events organised by DUAL

NUS Business School is a member of Distinguished Universities Alumni League (DUAL). DUAL aims to encourage knowledge exchange, strengthen relationships and promote Community service among its member clubs. We continue to update our members about DUAL's events and programs of interest, encouraging them to take advantage of these added networking opportunities.

5. 31st AGM on 27th February 2016

We held our 31st AGM on 27 Feb 2016 and had the quorum. It was an occasion for members to network and get themselves updated on the alumni.

Learning

Learning does not stop after we graduated from the MBA programme. The alumni participated and were also invited to several seminars and forums in 2016 organised by Singapore Manufacturing Federation and special arrangements made for our members to participate on a complimentary basis.

1. Sharpening Your Competitive Edge – Bracing for a global recession on 14 September 2016
2. Singapore Innovation and productivity national conference on the 22 September 2016
3. CEO Think Tank series

Creating Value Through Business Model Innovation on the 9 March 2016

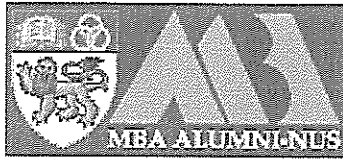
Creating Value Through Collaboration, Innovation, Productivity and Talent Development on the 18 May 2016

Creating Value Through Global Best Practices on the 17 Aug 2016

Profiling

It has been the objective of the Board to raise the profile of the alumni to be consistent with the fact that the NUS MBA programme is a top-ranking one in Singapore and amongst the top in Asia and the world.

Similar to the past, MBA Alumni-NUS has helped the school in canvassing for support and participation for the Annual Financial Times Rankings Survey. We have achieved our global ranking for 2016, NUS Business School standing at number 32. We are all very proud of this achievement.



The NUS Business School Eminent Business Alumni Awards 2016, which was supported by all the 3 alumni associations helped to raise the profile of our alumni. We are proud that several of our alumni won the award this year namely: Jocelyn Chng and Susan Chong from the EMBA programme.

Although we have already made an impact with some of the events organized above, we look forward to the members' continued support and suggestions of more high-profile events to be organized. It is the Board's intention to showcase many of our distinguished alumni and faculty members to the public and we urge them to come forward to make even greater contributions on business related issues in the national media.

Finally, I would like to thank all Board members and alumni members as well as the NUS Business School and GANO for making my sixth term a successful one. As we journey on into the Year of the Rooster, we want to make the association relevant to our members as well as help to raise MBA Alumni-NUS's profile befitting the status of being a top MBA programme in Singapore.

Best Wishes,
Dr. Michael Teng
President of MBA Alumni-NUS (2016/2017)