



Annual Report 2015

The year 2015 had been a fruitful, eventful and engaging one for MBA Alumni–NUS Association. There were many activities and events organised by the nation to celebrate the SG50. The NUS business school too had its fair share of events organised to celebrate its 50th anniversary too.

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 2015. 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 organized many networking events:

1. NUS Biz50 Charity Golf 2015

This year's NUS Biz50 Charity Golf 2015 event is significant as it also marked NUS Business School's 50th Anniversary. It was held on 21 July 2015 at Jurong Country Club chaired by the NUS Business School Alumni Association and co-organised by the Mandarin 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 prizes. Minister for Health, Mr Gan Kim Yong was the guest-of-honour for the dinner and witnessed the presentation of the mock cheque to the Dean. The event raised close to \$1m, including the government matching.

2. Explore Singapore 2015 Forum & Alumni Networking

The 5th Explore Singapore Tour, an annual flagship event organised jointly with GANO to orientate our new MBA students from overseas, was held on 30 July 2015.

It culminated with a dinner networking event organized by GANO at Grand Park City Hall, a convenient location with the Explore Singapore Tour event ending in town. Mr Joel Stern was the speaker, delivering his message of "Corporate Governance and Value Maximization". The event was a success as a total of 195 students/alumni attended the dinner talk, although only 190 were expected.

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. Movie Event

A movie event was organised for our alumni at Golden Village Vivocity on Saturday, 1st August 2015. A 64 seat movie hall was booked for the screening of Mission Impossible.

Response was on a first-come first-served basis. It proved to be a very popular event. Due to the overwhelming response, many alumni were disappointed as we have to close the booking once all the seats were taken. Not to disappoint members in future, the alumni will book a bigger hall for future movie event.

4. Alumni Drinks

We organized our regular drinking sessions – 6 episodes – 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.

5. 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.

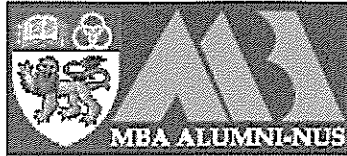
Learning

Learning does not stop after we graduate from the MBA programme. The alumni participated and were also invited to several seminars and forums in 2015.

1. Alumni Speaker

Our alumnus, Mr Peter Yap was invited to be a guest lecturer in 2015 and he conducted one session on the topic of “Managerial Decision Making” for BBA Honours class, drawing on his personal experiences in engaging the students.

2. Singapore Manufacturing Federation (SMF) seminar on 19th June 2015: “SkillsFuture: Addressing your organisation’s HR challenges”



It includes a dialogue session to share on new SkillsFuture initiatives – the national effort to develop a high-quality system of education and training that is responsive to evolving industry needs.

3. Singapore Computer Society (SCS) IT Law Seminar on 26th June 2015:
“Managing Personal Data Collection and Data Breaches under the Personal Data Protection Act (2012)”
4. Singapore Business Advisors & Consultants Council (SBACC)’s inaugural Singapore Management Consulting Awards (SMC Awards) to promote the management consultancy sector with the “Management Consultant of the Year Award”. Our alumni was requested to submit our members for the award.
5. Singapore Manufacturing Federation (SMF) & Singapore Institute of Manufacturing Technology (SIMTECH) collaboration forum on 23rd July 2015:
“Annual Manufacturing Forum (AMF)”
6. Singapore Manufacturing Federation (SMF) seminar on 20 November 2015:
“CEO Think Tank Series 2015: Creating Value VS Adding Value”

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 actively helped the school in canvassing for support and participation for the Annual Financial Times Rankings Survey. We have achieved our global best rankings to date for 2015, NUS Business School standing at number 31. We are all very proud of this achievement.

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 fifth term a successful one. As we journey on into the Year of the Monkey, 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.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Michael Teng'.

Best Wishes,
Dr. Michael Teng
President of MBA Alumni-NUS (2015/2016)