



ANNUAL REPORT *2021-2022*

**THE ALUMNI TEAM
SIBM PUNE**



Alumni Team

THE TEAM



The Senior Team for the year 2021-2022 consisted of the following members:

Vishal Bisht (*Coordinator*)
Ajinkya Ambatkar
Aman Agarwal
Ganesh A
Nikita Chitlangia
Nirav Badani
Saksham Garg
Sidhi Singh

The Interim and Junior Team for the year 2021-2022 consisted of the following members:

Aryan Chakraborty
Bhavana
Chetna Chuphal
Moksha Choudhary
Rishabh Goyal
Saishri Sathish
Vasudev P. Adiga
Vitika Singhania

IN THIS REPORT

The Year 2021-22 was a recovery phase from the online transition caused by the pandemic. The Alumni Team successfully pulled off multiple events in the hybrid mode by engaging over 250 Alumni offline while also conducting online sessions for the students to learn from our esteemed Alumni in the comfort of their homes.

This is what the Year 2021-22 looked like for the Alumni Team:

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ABOUT THE ALUMNI TEAM

To further the legacy of 44 successful batches, the Alumni Team, one of the oldest councils of SIBM Pune, acts as a bridge between our esteemed Alumni and their Alma Mater. Our purpose is to continue to drive the prestigious Alumni Network and ensure that they know how invaluable their presence and support is, to the institution and to us. The Alumni are what build the foundation of the large association that is the face of SIBM Pune to the outside world, and as the Alumni Team, we aspire to keep them in touch with their roots – the place where it all began.

The Alumni Team organizes a fleet of events throughout the year engaging alumni across batches. We facilitate celebrations like the Reunions, where older batches come together after years to meet and relive their college days, and our Degree Distribution ceremony where we mark the entrance of the youngest Alumni into our prestigious Alumni Association of over 6000 members. We conduct sessions where we host our Alumni to share their knowledge on various relevant matters with the current students and help them benefit from the years of experience. We continually highlight the achievements of our Alumni on all our social media platforms instilling pride in every member of the institution.

The Alumni Team strives to keep the Alumni Association closely knit, and promote goodwill and pride among every individual who is or once was a student at SIBM Pune.

DATABASE UPDATE

Every year, the Alumni Team performs a data updation drive for our Alumni database which holds the data of over 6000 esteemed alumni. We update their current details and consequently, provide relevant database information to the other student bodies who require the same.

This year emphasis was placed on having the least possible impact on the busy schedule of our alumni. The Alumni Team, therefore, floated a survey among the alumni community to fill in their details, throughout the year, in case they had any updates.

The formal process to verify the entries and update for changes was started in the month of August wherein the newly inducted Interim tenure Alumni Team Members reached out to the members of the alumni community for verifying the alumni DataBase entries.

The updation of the database continues on a rolling basis throughout the year, based on updates received on LinkedIn, Reunions, Alumni Meets, through Batch SPOCs, and other leads provided.

ALUMSPEAK

AlumSpeak, an initiative by the Alumni Team, is a platform for sharing of rich, valuable knowledge and experience between the Alumni and the students.

It is a year-round voluntary engagement activity and any alumni can connect with us via email or any social media platform to conduct a formal or informal session, sharing knowledge of current industry happenings and relevant matters.

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Objectives

- Creating a connection between the students and the Alumni
- Involving the Alumni in creating a new generation of Business Leaders and Managers
- Engaging with the Alumni on a micro-academic level.

Speaker for the Alumspeak Talks 2021-22:

Mr. Vijay Thomas from the Batch of 2008, and Lead- Brand Marketing and Customer Experience at Harley-Davidson Business Unit



LEADERSHIP TALKS



JULY 11
LEADERSHIP TALK 2021
RUPENDRA SONI
West India Head - Sales & Distribution
Bennett Coleman & Co. Ltd. (The Times Group)
SIBM Pune Batch of 2001



JULY 14
LEADERSHIP TALK 2021
SRINIVAS LADWA
CHRO - Reliance Nippon Life Insurance
SIBM Pune Batch of 1999



SEPTEMBER 10
LEADERSHIP TALK 2021
VIKAS DIMRI
Director, Head Coverage-Business Clients(SME)
Deutsche Bank
SIBM Pune Batch of 2000



FEBRUARY 14
LEADERSHIP TALK 2022
NIRAJ KUMAR
Chief Investment Officer, Future Generali India
Life Insurance
SIBM Pune Batch of 2002

Leadership Talk is a forum where senior alumni share their insights and experiences with the current batches. It provides a chance for students to meet with and learn from alumni who are far ahead of them in their careers yet have previously held positions similar to their own.

Objectives

- Establishing a link between students and alumni.
- Inspiring students via the success tales of renowned alumni.
- Alumni involvement in the development of a new generation of business leaders and managers.
- On a micro-academic level, interacting with alumni.
- Developing a student attitude that is industry-ready.

Speakers for the Leadership Talks 2021-22:

- Mr. Rupendra Soni – Batch of 2001, West India Head – Sales & Distribution, Bennett Coleman & Co. Ltd. (Times Group) – 11th July 2021
- Mr. Srinivas Ladwa – Batch of 1999, CHRO, Reliance Nippon Life Insurance – 14th July 2021
- Mr. Vikas Dimri – Batch of 2000, Director, Head Coverage – Business Clients (SME), Deutsche Bank – 10th September 2021
- Mr. Niraj Kumar – Batch of 2002, Chief Investment Officer, Future Generali India Life Insurance – 14th February 2022



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INICIO

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The Alumni Team introduced Inicio, a new initiative aimed at hosting multiple Alumni who share the same organization but handle responsibilities in different domains. The panel discussion seeks to appreciate the operative mechanics of the domains, the organization and the sector as a whole.



We hosted a panel of our esteemed alumni from Deloitte on the 24th of July, 2021 who shared their thoughts on 'Changes in Global Supply Chains and their impacts'. Inicio not only provided the students with a chance to interact with the speakers but also gathered valuable insights from their anecdotes.

Speakers for Inicio 2021:

- Mr. Ashish Minj, Batch of 2017, Senior Consultant, Deloitte
- Mr. Dhruval Doshi, Batch of 2017, Senior Supply Chain Consultant, Deloitte
- Mr. Debashish Chatterjee, Batch of 2018, Consultant, Deloitte
- Mr. Faran Ahmad, Batch of 2018, Senior Analyst, Deloitte



ILLUMO

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Illumo, a collaboration of the Alumni Team, Research & Scholastic Development Team, and Information Systems & Media Relations Team is a video interview series of one-on-one interactions with our esteemed Alumni. It aims at capturing erudite conversations with industry leaders across various specializations and domains. The Alumni weave their knowledge, expertise, and anecdotes to answer questions that tassel from the curiosity of young students who have just got their foot in the door of the corporate world.



Illumo is a platform that gives students and learners an opportunity to be future-ready while also giving the Alumni a chance to give back to their beloved Alma Mater.

Speakers for Illumo 2021:



- Mr. Arijit Chakrabarti, Batch of 2001, Associate Vice President, National Head - Strategy and Creative at groupM.
- Mr. Nishant Malhotra, Batch of 2002, Founder and CEO, The Middle Road

ALUMKONNECT

AlumKonnnect, an initiative by the Alumni Team, aims to engage our illustrious alumni and impart industry-relevant knowledge to the students, assisting them in their placements. In this edition, the focus was on the topic - ‘Organizational Culture: Beyond the Jargon’.

The discussion was facilitated by Prof. Sandeep Bhattacharya, Head - Corporate Relations and MBA Faculty at SIBM Pune. The session helped bridge the gap between classroom learning and on-field experience.

Speaker for AlumKonnnect 2021:

Mr. Alex Joseph, Batch of 2007, Human Resources Leader, Amazon

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ALUMKONNECT
WITH PROF. SANDEEP BHATTACHARYA

ALEX JOSEPH
HR LEADER AT AMAZON
SIBM PUNE ALUMNUS FROM THE BATCH OF 2007

"Driving the Culture is not just a priority of the HR team, one must take a U-turn if it's driven only by the HR."

4TH SEPTEMBER, 2021



ALUMKONNECT
WITH PROF. SANDEEP BHATTACHARYA

TOPIC:
Organizational Culture: Beyond the Jargon

MR. ALEX JOSEPH
HR LEADER - AMAZON
BATCH OF 2007

09:45 AM
SATURDAY
4TH SEPTEMBER 2021

RENDEZVOUS

18TH DECEMBER, 2021



Rendezvous, the Degree Distribution Ceremony is organised by the Alumni Team for the graduating batch, marking their ingress into the Alumni community. The event is set in motion with inspiring addresses from the Director and esteemed faculty members followed by nostalgia-filled speeches by the representatives of the graduating batch. The Alumni team presents a batch video, reminiscing the MBA journey of the batch. The Degree Distribution is then facilitated by the Director, Deputy Directors and other esteemed faculty members. Rendezvous is the last leg of the MBA life of the students, flagging the successful completion of their MBA programs.

Rendezvous' 21 was held on the 18th of December, 2021 which witnessed an overwhelming turnout of 230+ students from the Batches of MBA Flagship and MBA Innovation and Entrepreneurship, traveling from all over the country, making it the biggest offline event of SIBM Pune for the year 2021. The Degree Distribution was followed by the Batch photoshoot, lunch, some engaging musical performances of evergreen college music and a memorabilia auction to bring back all the beautiful memories that the Batch of 2021 created on campus. It was a daylong event with bouts of nostalgia throughout, that concluded on a high note with the distribution of goodies along with their Yearbooks, the timeless compendium to immortalize their presence in the SIBM Pune family. Rendezvous' 21 officially marked the beginning of the corporate careers of the freshest batch of the SIBM Pune Alumni community, adding more names to our wall of fame.



REWIND THE 25 YEAR REUNION

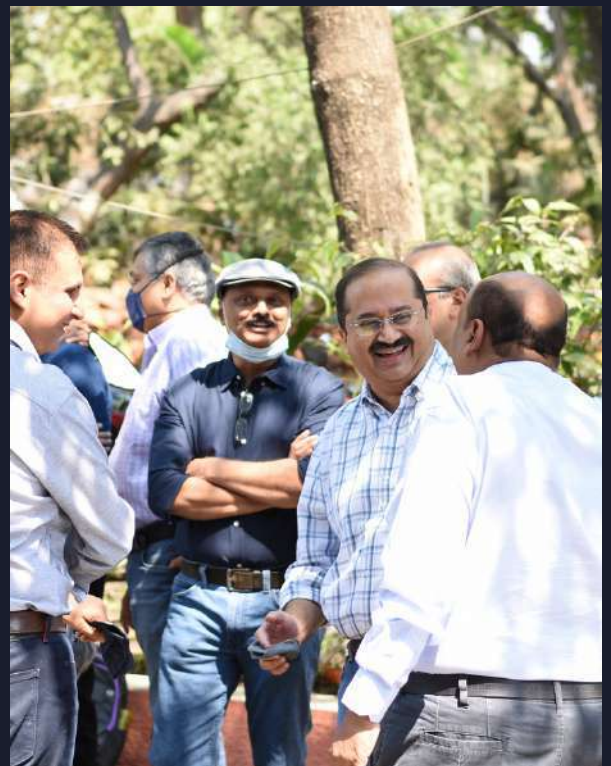
5TH MARCH, 2022



The Alumni Team conducted Rewind' 22 – The Silver Jubilee Reunion for the Batches of 1995 and 1996 on the 5th of March, 2022 at the SIBM Pune – SB Road Campus.

The day started off with the addresses from our Director, Dr. R. Raman and a planned surprise address from their beloved Dean, Dr. George Judah. The Batch representatives of 1995 and 1996 addressed the gathering with stories and songs filled with memories. It was an overwhelming turnout of over 40 Alumni who participated very actively in the open mic, engagement activities, and campus tour planned for them.

The event ended with 40 smiling faces and the inbox of the Alumni team filled with messages of gratitude.



SCRIBBLING DAY

11TH MARCH, 2022



Scribbling Day is an initiative undertaken by the Alumni Team for the Graduating Batch to mark the end of the 2 beautiful years spent at the Hilltop Heaven around the best of friends. This year, it was held on the 11th of March where the Batch of 2022 celebrated their journey and scribbled down all the emotions and stories on those Whites. Scribbling Day enables the graduating batch to take back a souvenir in the form of a T-shirt that is filled with memories from their batchmates.



ROOBAROO THE 15 YEAR REUNION

12TH MARCH, 2022



The Alumni Team was pleased to host the 15-year reunion – Roobaroo '22 for the Batches of 2005 and 2006 on the 12th of March, 2022. Meeting up with their fellow batchmates after 15 years was equally nostalgic and fun for the Alumni. The batch reunited for refreshments and a meet and greet session at the old SIBM Pune campus at SB Road at 10 am. Being surrounded at their own campus, they shared fond memories and stories of their experiences when they were MBA students. Post the meet and greet session, the celebration was moved to the Lavale campus where an impromptu session was held with the current students followed by the cake cutting ceremony and Lunch. The eventful day came to an end with the tour of the new campus that the Alumni had not visited earlier.

The arrangements and execution of Roobaroo 2022 had an overwhelming response of gratitude from the Batches of 2005 and 2006, who individually expressed their thanks to the team for organizing the reunion and to the institute for giving them a platform to get together and reconnect at this scale.



ASK YOUR ALUM

13TH MARCH, 2022

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Ask Your Alum, is an initiative by the Alumni Team which acts as a platform for sharing valuable knowledge and insights from our young Alumni for the Students of MBA 1. The main objective of the session was to alleviate the students' concerns regarding their approaching summer internships. The session facilitated a candid discussion between our Alumni, excelling in the corporate world, thus giving our students a kick-start on their journey to ace their internships, using the clarity gained from the experiences of the Alumni.

To cater to the dynamic requirements of the students being placed in different industries, roles and projects, the session was structured in such a way that there were separate panels for each specialization, with each panel having speakers from various industries. The session saw active participation from the students and the initiative was overall appreciated.

Speakers

Marketing

FMCG & Conglomerate

- Ms. Mansi Mukhija – Batch of 2020, Area Sales Manager, Pidilite Industries Limited
- Mr. Aman Kapoor – Batch of 2018, National Key Account Manager, Reliance Industries Limited

IT and Consulting

- Ms. Sampada Joshi – Batch of 2018, Product Manager, Lenovo
- Ms. Prachi Borikar – Batch of 2018, Senior Business Analyst – Products & Platforms, Accenture

Manufacturing and Pharmaceuticals

- Mr. Akash Aware – Batch of 2021, Area Manager, Schindler India
- Mr. Mandar Harshe – Batch of 2019, Area Business Manager, GSK Pharmaceuticals

Human Resources

- Ms. Divya Rathi – Batch of 2019, Engagement Lead and Campus Recruitment Specialist, Accenture
- Mr. Rohit Tandekar - Batch of 2019, Manager – L&D, Talent Management, Godrej Consumer Products Limited

Operations

- Ms. Soumya Sharma – Batch of 2017, Manager – Finance, Fidelity Investments
- Mr. Viraj Patel - Batch of 2017, Senior Manager, ICICI Bank

Finance

- Mr. Akhil Deshpande – Batch of 2018, Scrum Master, Cisco
- Mr. Shubham Trivedi – Batch of 2020, Manager SCM Strategy & Projects, Reliance Retail

YEARBOOK

The Yearbook is an initiative by the Alumni Team to record the memories of the graduating batch. It is a compilation of the most important details about each student including their best moments on Campus, photographs with their friends, and their recollections. It serves not only as a trip down memory lane but also as a time capsule of memories from the 2 best years of student life on the Hilltop, a few years down the line.

The data collection and planning were done over a month with the help of student volunteers selected from the junior batch, with another 2 weeks for editing the responses. Additional 2 weeks were used for finalizing the layout and then handed over for printing.



SOCIAL MEDIA & OTHER ACTIVITIES

The Alumni Team always aims at connecting and reconnecting with SIBM Pune's alumni through different platforms such as LinkedIn, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, WhatsApp, Telegram and the SIU Portal. We know that social media is a vital part of alumni involvement, so we've made a concerted effort to increase our social media presence by publishing about alumni achievements and awards, start-ups built by our alumni, institute activities, student accomplishments and monthly throwbacks encompassing all the different councils and SIGs activities. Articles, interviews, unconventional career paths and other important news about our alumni are also shared on a regular basis. We also share a large number of exclusive job opportunities on our closed LinkedIn group all year round, mainly from our Alumni for our Alumni, helping them use this remarkable legacy of SIBM Pune to help them further receive opportunities for their career advancements. This not only connects alumni with their batch mates but also serves as an inspiration for the current and future batches.

This activity has been hugely successful with 5100+ likes on Facebook, 2147 members in our closed LinkedIn group, 1649 followers on Instagram and 822 followers on Twitter. The Alumni Team also ensured that all the platforms are linked with the Official Alumni Portal of SIBM Pune. We have also continued Alumni outreach through regional alumni groups on WhatsApp and Telegram, where job postings & college updates are shared regularly.

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Mr. Manas Madhu
an SIBM Pune Alumnus from the Batch of 2013, Founder of Beyond Snack, has received an investment deal of Rs. 50 Lakhs in return of 2.5% equity by Mr. Ashneer Grover and Mr. Aman Gupta through Shark Tank India.

Ms. Neeru Mehta
Hearty congratulations to an SIBM Pune Alumna from the Batch of 2001, on being appointed as the Chief Human Resources Officer at yellow.ai

Mr. Amit Malik
Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director of Aviva India and an SIBM Pune Alumnus from the Batch of 1999, was featured as part of the 100 CXO Club by Leadup Universe, a professional mentoring club for HR professionals to catapult their career journey into future C-suite leaders.

SHOWCASE

- 2019-PRESENT ASSOCIATE COACH CENTER FOR CREATIVE LEADERSHIP
- 2012-PRESENT PRESIDENT, EXECUTIVE COACH & LEADERSHIP FACILITATOR ORBIT
- 2011-2012 VP CORPORATE BUSINESS RELATIONSHIP COINHER TECHNOLOGIES
- 1996-2011 CO-FOUNDER CATALYSTS SERVICES PVT. LTD.
- 1995-1996 BUSINESS MANAGER- CONSUMER FINANCE ESCORTS FINANCE LTD.
- 1994-1995 PLANNING OFFICER- DETAIL BANKING SOUTH INDIA ANZ GRINDLAYS BANK
- 1994 GRADUATED FROM SIBM PUNE

Ms. Nidhi Moto
President, Executive Coach & Leadership Facilitator, ORBIT

CLOSING NOTE



We, the Senior Alumni Team 2021-22, would like to thank the Director and SIBM Pune for their continued support and encouragement.

We hope that the Alumni Team in the future would continue the endeavour to nurture an alumni community where each and every member feels connected with the alma mater and with each member of the SIBM Pune family.

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