

Details of Events organized by CIT

Imperio

Imperio 2013-14 is a series of guest lectures aimed at providing opportunities for students to interact with stalwarts from the corporate world. Imperio aims to lessen the divide between theory and practice, to understand the success stories of these thought leaders, their principles and rationales, and gain a deeper understanding of contemporary business-related issues through practical experiences.

First Address

Date: 20th June 2013

The Corporate Interface Team at SIBM Pune inaugurated Imperio 2013-14 with an address by **Mr. Dan Mittman, Managing Director & Global Chief Operating Officer, UBS Investment Bank.**

Mr. Dan Mittman delivered the inaugural address to the students of MBA-I and MBA-II on the global Mergers & Acquisitions environment, the factors that influence its trends and the emergence of hedge funds as important stakeholders in this landscape. Mr. Mittman also provided the students with valuable insights on how the M&A business has progressed in the recent past.

Ms. Courtney Lala, Associate Director, UBS Investment Bank, then highlighted the aspects of Operational Risk in investment banking, and the measures that UBS Investment Bank is undertaking to mitigate the same.

Mr. Mittman is the Managing Director & Global Chief Operating Officer of UBS Investment Bank's Mergers & Acquisitions Group. He is also responsible for overseeing the investment bank's offshoring and outsourcing activities related to investment banking analytics and presentation services.

Prior to joining UBS Investment Bank in November 2000, Mr. Mittman was First Vice President and Senior Associate General Counsel of PaineWebber's Investment Banking Division. Prior to joining Paine Webber in 1996, he practiced corporate and securities law at Latham & Watkins in New York.

Mr. Mittman received his J.D. from the University of Miami School of Law, and B.S. in Accounting from Brooklyn College.

Second Address

Date: 10th August

The Corporate Interface Team at SIBM Pune was honored to host Mr. Dipak Roy, Head, Human Resources, Bharti Infratel Ltd. as a part of Imperio 2013-14.

Mr. Roy delivered an address on **Innovative Employee Engagement Practices: Breaking the Monotony**. He spoke about what drives Generation Y and various employee engagement drivers. The address was followed by an interactive Q&A session led by Mr. Animesh Kumar and Ms. Arushi Kukreja from MBA-II HR.

Mr. Roy has more than a decade of experience in the Human Resources domain, and has previously served as the Head HR, Consumer Business Operations and Chief, Talent & Transformations Practice at Bharti Airtel Limited. He was also the Head of the Leadership Development & Workforce Management Practice at IBM India.

Mr. Roy pursued his B.Sc in Electronics from University of Pune. He is an alumnus of SIBM Pune and completed his Masters in Personnel Management in 1991.

Blueprint 2013-14

A Blueprint is the basis of any monument, a plan of action that lays the path to success. The Blueprint serves as a starting point, a significant beginning of a successful journey.

The Placement Advisory Team & the Corporate Interface Team, SIBM Pune presented Blueprint 2013. Blueprint 2013 hosted stalwarts from the corporate world and visionaries at SIBM Pune to interact with students, through guest lectures, panel discussions, and share their knowledge and business expertise. The ultimate objective is to establish a platform for students to gain a holistic view of contemporary issues and engaging topic across sectors of the industry.

First Edition

Date: 3rd August 2013

Marketing Guest Lecture

- Ms. Priya Verma - Brand & Communications Specialist | Shell Lubricants India

HR Panel Discussion - The War for Talent: Latest Trends in Talent Acquisition & Training

- Mr. Sumit Sethi, Solution Leader - Talent and Performance Consulting | Aon Hewitt
- Mr. Bharat Bhusan, Advisor - HR | Mitsui & Co. India Pvt. Ltd.
- Mr. Manish Modi, Head HR | Pidilite Industries Ltd.

- Moderator - Ms. Nina Chatrath, Partner | Heidrick & Struggles India

Marketing Guest Lecture

Mr. Abhishek Maloo, AVP - Marketing | People Group

Finance Panel Discussion - The India Story: Is the Prime Time Over?

- Mr. Amitabh Srivastava, Head Securities and Settlements | Barclays India
- Mr. Niraj Kumar, Head - Equity Investments | Aviva Life Insurance Company (India) Pvt. Ltd
- Ms. Maya Vengurlekar, Senior Director, Marketing and Investor Outreach | Crisil Ltd.
- Moderator – Mr. Vivek Joshi, Associate Director | Kotak Investment Advisors Ltd.

Second Edition

Date: 16th November 2013

The opening speaker at the event was **Mr. S.V. Nathan - Lead Talent Director for Deloitte U.S. Firms in India**. Mr. Nathan spoke about the expectations that corporations have from fresh MBA graduates. He provided a refreshing take on academics and shared his wonderful insights and fascinating stories about corporate life with the students.

Mr. Haresh Joshi – Associate Director, Forensic Investigations, KPMG India, spoke about techniques for detection and prevention of corporate fraud, and how an MBA student can make a career in this field.

Mr. Amit Iyer – Project Manager, General Electric India, spoke about the upcoming trends in Supply Chain Management and its relevance in integration with Data Analytics to achieve cost efficiency.

The interactive event was a great success, with students having learnt about the industry and its expectations from them.

Arcturus 2013

Date: 31st August 2013

The Corporate Interface Team at SIBM Pune, in association with the State Bank of India organised 'Arcturus 2013: The Leadership Conclave' at the Symbiosis Knowledge Village, Lavale on 31st August 2013.

Arcturus, the brightest star of the celestial equator is the eponymous star of one of the nakshatras of the Hindu astrology. The nakshatras are related to the most prominent asterisms in their respective sectors. SIBM Pune successfully brought many an Arcturus to campus.

'Arcturus2013: The Leadership Conclave', organised by CIT, centered around the theme of **'Crisis Management & Strategy'**. It served as a platform that brought together leaders who are at the forefront of various organisations, to share their experiences and the challenges of business management in their respective industries. The objective of this symposium was to analyse and

understand how organisations cope with times of uncertainty, how businesses overcome crises, and what strategies define India Inc. in 2013.

The inaugural address was delivered by **Mr. Prakash Iyer (Managing Director | Kimberly Clark Lever Pvt. Ltd.)**. A brilliant orator and a successful author, Mr. Iyer spoke about the importance of hope and perseverance during a crisis, and gave the audience some very valuable lessons on how one's basics and fundamentals become crucial in these times. The Keynote Address was then delivered by **Mr. D. Shivakumar (Former Senior Vice-President, India, Middle East and Africa Region | Nokia Corporation)**. Mr. Shivakumar gave wonderful examples to show how industries cope with crises, and what the different kinds of crisis scenarios could be. The morning session was concluded by **Mr. Piyush Mathur (President, India Region | Nielsen)**. Mr. Mathur brought to light the audacity of hope, and gave the audience a reason to believe that all was not lost. He also brought in insights about how Nielsen itself is dealing with this crisis, and is holding on to its growth story.

The afternoon session began with an address by **Mr. Lalit Malik (Chief Financial Officer | Dabur India Ltd.)**, who addressed the audience with respect to how Dabur and other FMCG organisations are impacted by this move. He also gave us insights into the financial aspects of status quo, and what the government can do to bring India out of this crisis. The next address was by **Mr. Arun Mehra (Chief Executive Officer | Talenhouse India)**. Mr. Mehra had a very unique and interesting perspective to crisis management, wherein he took us through his own story and the various crises that he faced, to show the audience as to how much a crisis can potentially teach you and help you grow.

The closing address at Arcturus 2013 was by **Mr. Bhavook Tripathi (Stock Markets Investor)**, who is arguably the youngest Indian billionaire investor. Mr. Tripathi took the audience through the major financial reasons for this crisis, and gave us his unique insight of how India should follow its own cultural path towards growth. Mr. Tripathi shared with the audience his dream of India becoming the best 'karmabhoomi', so as to enable sustainable, valuable economic growth in the future.

With a plethora of valuable industry insights, very inspirational addresses, and interactions with some of the best minds in the industry today, Arcturus 2013: The Leadership Conclave was a grand success. The sessions enabled participants to gain first-hand industry opinions, and encouraged them to delve deeper and analyse today's economic scenario, thus providing a truly wonderful platform for the students on SIBM Pune.

Legacy 2013

Date: 23rd November 2013

The Corporate Interface Team, Alumni Team and Placement Advisory Team at SIBM Pune, organized **'Legacy 2013: An Alumni Reconnect'** at the Symbiosis Knowledge Village, Lavale on **23rd November 2013**.

Every B-school is respected and recognized by the achievements of its alumni in the corporate world. SIBM Pune is extremely fortunate to have a wonderful legacy of extremely talented and successful alumni, who have forged great careers in India Inc. Legacy 2013 was an effort to provide an opportunity for our alumni to revisit life at SIBM Pune, and for the students to learn from their wonderful stories.

Elevating the 'classroom learning' experience by a notch; ten prominent speakers (alumni) were hosted on campus. The speakers were:

- Mr. Prakash Wakankar – Senior Advisor | Mahindra & Mahindra
- Mr. Pramod Mahatme – Vice President- Business Relations | Wipro Ltd.
- Mr. G.M. Rao – Assistant Vice President & Head of HR, India | Cognizant Technology Solutions
- Mr. Bobby Kuriakose – Director – HR | Forbes Marshall
- Mr. Paneesh Rao - Sr. Vice President & Head of HR, India and Middle East | Atos India Pvt. Ltd.
- Mr. Vishwas Mahajan – President and CM | TiE Pune
- Mr. Jitendra Paturkar - Learning and Development Leader, HR | Cummins India Ltd.
- Mr. Jatin Panchal - Head - Key Accounts, GM - Modern Trade | Godrej Consumer Products Ltd.
- Mr. Minocher Patel - Founder Director | Ecole Solitaire and Author | 'Ordinary to Extraordinary'
- Mr. Nitin Prabhu - Senior Manager, Service Solutions | Cummins India Ltd.

Each speaker brought with them wonderful stories about their corporate career and shared knowledge on what it really takes to make a mark in India Inc. Management lessons were preached galore along with some interesting lessons on character building and self-development. Legacy 2013 was a grand success and enabled the students to gain first hand industry knowledge, expectations and gave our alumni a chance to finally come back to the place where it all began.

Passion 2 Profession

Date: 29th January 2014

The Corporate Interface Team at SIBM Pune organised 'Passion 2 Profession' at the Symbiosis Knowledge Village, Lavale on 29th January 2014.

Passion 2 Profession is an event that encourages students to follow their dreams and make a career for themselves in a field they are passionate about. Whatever be their fancy – no matter how eccentric, exotic or mundane – they enjoy it, and if they enjoy what they do for a living, they won't have to work a day in their lives.

The opening speaker at Passion 2 Profession was **Mr. Hormazd Sorabjee - Editor, Autocar India**. Mr. Sorabjee has been writing about cars for over 25 years. He has driven everything on wheels from a 65-ton battle tank to a Formula1 car and still can't get enough.

He was followed by **Mr. Rahul Roushan – Founder and Editor, Faking News**. Mr. Roushan started Faking News as a website to explore and hone his writing skills and today, Faking News is second only to The Onion in the English satire news website category.

The event was brought to a close by **Mr. TJ Venkateshwaran – Owner, TJs Brew Works**. Mr. Venkateshwaran has over 25 years of work experience in FMCG Sales, Marketing, Operations & General Management, with many blue chip companies both Indian and Multinationals such as Eureka Forbes Ltd., Titan Industries Ltd., PepsiCo and SAB Miller India to name a few.

The off-beat event was a great success, with students having learnt about what it takes to make their passion their profession.